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DECEMBER 31, 2008

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President's Letter

December 31, 2008



DEAR SHAREHOLDER:

Not since the 1930s have investors faced so many challenges. A severe global credit crunch took hold this past calendar year. Commodity prices collapsed. The financial sector faced extreme stress as the country's largest savings and loan, its largest insurer, its two largest mortgage providers, its largest brokerage firm and a leading commercial bank all either were the subject of a takeover, government bailout or failure.

It was simply the worst year for stocks in my four-decade-long career. Confidence has been shaken in equity and corporate bond markets around the globe. Mutual fund returns for the past year reflected the above described backdrop and were clearly dismal. On an encouraging note it appears to us that the equity market may be in a long process of forming a bottom. We feel that lows may have been made in November. Also, parts of the fixed-income markets have experienced tremendous rallies of late. Mostly these occurred in government-supported arenas, where authorities either slashed rates or purchased securities through the Federal Reserve or the U.S. Treasury.

Enclosed is our report on your Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios' operations for the 2008 fiscal year. For the 12 months ended Dec. 31, 2008, the Standard & Poor's 500 Index dropped 37.00 percent while the Barclays Capital Aggregate Bond Index rose 5.24 percent.

Can we learn from history?

While unusual in modern times, a rapidly unfolding financial panic is nothing new in American history. In fact, prior to the creation of the Federal Reserve bank system in 1912, the U.S. experienced seven major financial crises between 1819 and 1907. In some respects, some of the same issues that plague us today – fallout from excessive commodity and property speculation, war-related debt and populist dislike of government bailouts – parallel the challenges that generations past have had to deal with. Our past leaders met these problems successfully, though very often, not unlike currently, not always promptly.

For example, history judged President Martin Van Buren harshly for failing to take timely steps to limit economic damage from the Panic of 1837, which occurred just five weeks after he took office. The ensuing depression lasted for six years, and out of 850 banks in the United States at the time, 343 closed entirely and 62 failed partially. We are encouraged by the new Obama administration's swift steps to build a team of highly experienced individuals. Hopefully they will take steps, in addition to those already initiated by the Bush team, that will help to revive the economy and investor confidence.

A need for global leadership

We feel that today's U.S. government safety nets and financial safeguards – including the Fed, deposit insurance on bank accounts, unemployment insurance, municipal bond default insurance and social security – are likely to help cushion the effects of the economic downturn that our country now faces. However, the scope of the current financial crisis is global, and this is a new phenomenon. It will likely test whether we are becoming one world that can act together for the common good, or one where national trade supremacy, resource hoarding or parochial political interests take precedence.

As shown in the Economic Snapshot table that accompanies this letter, the U.S. economy at Dec. 31, 2008 is not in as good a shape as it was 12 months earlier. The unemployment rate is higher. The economy is shrinking. For consumers, the good news is that inflation is lower and oil prices are half what they were a year ago. Importantly, mortgage rates are also much lower and could be headed further down.

Respectfully,



Henry J. Herrmann, CFA
President

The opinions expressed in this letter are those of the President of Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc., and are current only through the end of the period of the report, as stated on the cover. The President's views are subject to change at any time, based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

Economic Snapshot

| | 12-31-2008 | 12-31-2007 |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| U.S. Unemployment Rate | 7.20% | 5.00% |
| Inflation (U.S. Consumer Price Index) | 0.10% | 4.10% |
| U.S. GDP | -3.80% | 0.60% |
| 30 year fixed mortgage rate | 5.10% | 5.96% |
| Oil price per barrel | \$44.60 | \$96.00 |

Source: Bloomberg, U.S. Department of Labor

All government statistics shown are subject to periodic revision.

The U.S. Consumer Price Index is the government's measure of the change in the retail cost of goods and services. Gross domestic product measures year-over-year changes in the output of goods and services. Mortgage rates shown reflect the average rate on a conventional loan with a 60-day lender commitment. Oil prices reflect the market price of West Texas intermediate grade crude.

We believe that the investing and economic climate will get better in time, although not right away. With perseverance, initiative and ingenuity, we believe the strengths of our nation's character will surface and prosperity will be restored. In this uncertain environment, we believe a very strong effort to manage risk is paramount. With that approach in mind, we will strive to earn your continued confidence for many years to come.

Illustration of Portfolio Expenses

As a shareholder of a Portfolio, you incur ongoing costs, including management fees, distribution and service fees, and other Portfolio expenses. The following tables are intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in a Portfolio and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. The example is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held for the six-month period ended December 31, 2008.

Actual Expenses

The first line in the following tables provides information about actual investment values and actual expenses. You may use the information in this line, together with your initial investment in Portfolio shares, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide the value of that investment by \$1,000 (for example, a \$7,500 initial investment divided by \$1,000 = 7.5), then multiply the result by the number in the first line under the heading entitled “Expenses Paid During Period” to estimate the expenses you paid on your investment during this period. In addition, there are fees and expenses imposed under the variable annuity or variable life insurance contract through which shares of the Portfolio are held. Additional fees have the effect of reducing investment returns.

Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes

The second line in the following tables provides information about hypothetical investment values and hypothetical expenses based on the Portfolio’s actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of five percent per year before expenses, which is not the Portfolio’s actual return. The hypothetical investment values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual investment value at the end of the period or expenses you paid for the period. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Portfolio and other funds. To do so, compare this five percent hypothetical example with the five percent hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the tables are meant to highlight your ongoing costs as a shareholder of the Portfolio and do not reflect any fees and expenses imposed under the variable annuity or variable life insurance contract through which shares of the Portfolio are held.

Pathfinder Aggressive Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 769.30 | 0.10% | \$0.44 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,024.70 | 0.10% | \$0.51 |

Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 798.90 | 0.07% | \$0.36 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,024.86 | 0.07% | \$0.40 |

See footnotes on page 9.

Pathfinder Moderate Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 827.70 | 0.09% | \$0.37 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,024.77 | 0.09% | \$0.40 |

Pathfinder Moderately Conservative Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 857.30 | 0.14% | \$0.65 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,024.50 | 0.14% | \$0.71 |

Pathfinder Conservative Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 886.00 | 0.31% | \$1.51 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,023.66 | 0.31% | \$1.62 |

Core Equity Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 707.80 | 0.96% | \$4.10 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,020.38 | 0.96% | \$4.85 |

Dividend Opportunities Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 696.50 | 1.08% | \$4.67 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,019.75 | 1.08% | \$5.55 |

Growth Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 709.20 | 0.97% | \$4.19 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,020.32 | 0.97% | \$4.95 |

See footnotes on page 9.

Micro Cap Growth Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 619.40 | 1.34% | \$5.51 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 1,018.44 | 1.34% | \$6.86 |

Mid Cap Growth Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 723.30 | 1.21% | \$5.26 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 1,019.11 | 1.21% | \$6.16 |

Small Cap Growth Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 706.80 | 1.14% | \$4.95 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 1,019.45 | 1.14% | \$5.86 |

Small Cap Value Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 813.00 | 1.17% | \$5.35 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 1,019.29 | 1.17% | \$5.96 |

Value Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 750.00 | 1.01% | \$4.46 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 1,020.13 | 1.01% | \$5.15 |

International Growth Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 644.30 | 1.17% | \$4.85 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$ 1,000 | \$ 1,019.31 | 1.17% | \$5.96 |

See footnotes on page 9.

International Value Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 675.20 | 1.18% | \$5.03 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,019.25 | 1.18% | \$6.06 |

Asset Strategy Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 738.40 | 1.03% | \$4.52 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,020.04 | 1.03% | \$5.25 |

Balanced Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 839.10 | 1.01% | \$4.69 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,020.13 | 1.01% | \$5.15 |

Energy Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 467.20 | 0.98% | \$3.67 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,020.26 | 0.98% | \$5.05 |

Global Natural Resources Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 365.90 | 1.45% | \$4.99 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,017.89 | 1.45% | \$7.37 |

Real Estate Securities Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 663.70 | 1.29% | \$5.41 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,018.69 | 1.29% | \$6.56 |

See footnotes on page 9.

Science and Technology Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 712.10 | 1.15% | \$4.97 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,019.40 | 1.15% | \$5.86 |

Bond Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,011.40 | 0.79% | \$4.02 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,021.25 | 0.79% | \$4.04 |

High Income Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 791.10 | 0.90% | \$4.03 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,020.67 | 0.90% | \$4.55 |

Money Market Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,008.30 | 0.75% | \$3.82 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,021.42 | 0.75% | \$3.84 |

Mortgage Securities Expenses

| For the Six Months Ended December 31, 2008 | Beginning Account Value 6-30-08 | Ending Account Value 12-31-08 | Annualized Expense Ratio Based on the Six-Month Period | Expenses Paid During Period* |
|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Based on Actual Portfolio Return ⁽¹⁾ | \$1,000 | \$ 919.50 | 0.94% | \$4.61 |
| Based on 5% Return ⁽²⁾ | \$1,000 | \$1,020.46 | 0.94% | \$4.85 |

*Portfolio expenses are equal to the Portfolio's annualized expense ratio (provided in the table), multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184 days in the six-month period ended December 31, 2008, and divided by 365.

- (1) This line uses the Portfolio's actual total return and actual Portfolio expenses. It is a guide to the actual expenses paid by the Portfolio in the period. The "Ending Account Value" shown is computed using the Portfolio's actual return and the "Expenses Paid During Period" column shows the dollar amount that would have been paid by an investor who started with \$1,000 in the Portfolio. A shareholder may use the information here, together with the dollar amount invested, to estimate the expenses that were paid over the period. For every thousand dollars a shareholder has invested, the expenses are listed in the last column.
- (2) This line uses a hypothetical five percent annual return and actual Portfolio expenses. It helps to compare the Portfolio's ongoing costs with other mutual funds. A shareholder can compare the Portfolio's ongoing costs by comparing this hypothetical example with the hypothetical examples that appear in shareholder reports of other funds.

The above illustrations are based on ongoing costs only.

Manager's Discussion of Pathfinder Portfolios

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, Michael L. Avery, portfolio manager of each of the five Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Portfolios, discusses positioning, performance and results for the initial fiscal periods ended Dec. 31, 2008. Mr. Avery has managed each Pathfinder Portfolio since their inception in March 2008 and he has 30 years of industry experience.

Investment Styles of Underlying Funds

Fixed-Income Funds

- ① VIP Bond
- ② VIP Mortgage Securities
- ③ VIP Money Market

Equity Funds

- ① VIP Dividend Opportunities
- ② VIP Growth
- ③ VIP Value
- ④ VIP Mid Cap Growth
- ⑤ VIP Small Cap Growth
- ⑥ VIP Small Cap Value
- ⑦ VIP Real Estate Securities
- ⑧ VIP International Growth
- ⑨ VIP International Value

| MATURITY | | | CREDIT QUALITY |
|----------|--------------|------|----------------|
| Short | Intermediate | Long | |
| ③ | ①② | | High |
| | | | Medium |
| | | | Low |

This diagram shows the fixed-income investment style of each of the underlying fixed-income Portfolios that comprise the Pathfinder Portfolios by displaying the average credit quality of the bonds owned in each underlying Portfolio as well as each underlying Portfolio's interest rate sensitivity, as measured by average maturity. The diagram reflects the past three years of quarterly data. Source: Morningstar

| INVESTMENT STYLE | | | MARKET CAP |
|------------------|-------|--------|------------|
| Value | Blend | Growth | |
| ③⑨ | | ①②⑧ | Large |
| | ⑦ | ④ | Medium |
| | ⑥ | ⑤ | Small |

This diagram shows the equity investment style and the size of companies, as measured by market capitalization, within each of the underlying equity portfolios that comprise the Pathfinder Portfolios. The diagram reflects quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

Initial fiscal period performance

Cumulative returns – Inception to December 31, 2008

| | |
|--|---------|
| Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Aggressive (from March 4, 2008) | -23.82% |
| Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive (from March 4, 2008) | -19.72% |
| Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Moderate (from March 4, 2008) | -18.74% |
| Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Moderately Conservative (from March 12, 2008) | -13.80% |
| Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Conservative (from March 13, 2008) | -10.94% |

Benchmark(s)

S&P 500 Index

| | |
|---|---------|
| (from March 4, 2008) | -30.53% |
| (from March 12, 2008) | -29.65% |
| (from March 13, 2008) | -30.01% |
| (generally reflects the performance of large and medium-size U.S. stocks) | |

Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index

| | |
|---|-------|
| (from March 4, 2008) | 5.12% |
| (from March 12, 2008) | 4.83% |
| (from March 13, 2008) | 5.08% |
| (generally reflects the performance of the bond market) | |

Citigroup Short-Term Index for 1-Month Certificates of Deposit

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| (from Feb. 29, 2008) | 2.37% |
| (generally reflects cash) | |

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. For additional performance information for each Portfolio, please see the Comparison of Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment and the Cumulative Total Return information for each Portfolio found on pages 14, 21, 28, 35 and 42 of this report.

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. Multiple indexes are shown because each Portfolio invests in multiple asset classes.

Money market exposure helped cushion losses

The five Pathfinder Portfolios together gathered approximately \$280 million in net assets from investors as of the end of their initial fiscal periods despite one of the most challenging markets in modern history. While we are extremely disappointed that each Pathfinder Portfolio lost money, the losses were less than the overall S&P 500 equity benchmark for each Portfolio's initial fiscal period.

The scope of our initial fiscal period losses were consistent with the level of risk in each Pathfinder Portfolio, reflecting the more aggressive Portfolios' relatively greater exposure to stocks. The U.S. equity market had its worst calendar year since 1937 while developed and emerging international markets did even worse.

Each Pathfinder Portfolio had a substantial allocation to Ivy Funds VIP Money Market (see pages 16, 23, 30, 37 and 44 for more details), and this helped our initial results. In fact, even Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Aggressive had a 13 percent Ivy Funds VIP Money Market position as of Dec. 31, 2008.

From an asset allocation standpoint, the underlying fixed-income Portfolio weighting within each Pathfinder Portfolio was light, and this was a negative factor affecting performance. As the credit and stock markets collapsed and the global economy slid into recession, U.S. Treasuries turned out to be the best performing asset class for most of calendar year 2008. To gain exposure to the bond market, each Pathfinder Portfolio invested in Ivy Funds VIP Bond. However, this underlying Portfolio underperformed the Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index by a wide margin for the fiscal year (see page 289 for more details).

At year end, each Pathfinder Portfolio held the same group of 10 underlying Ivy Funds VIP Portfolios, with the exception of Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Conservative, which did not have a position in Ivy Funds VIP International Growth. The Portfolios held are listed on the Schedule of Investment pages that follow this report.

Our outlook: Headwinds abound

Among the long-term questions we asked ourselves this past autumn, and that we continue to ask as an investment manager with the role of allocating among different asset classes, are the following:

- How long will the economic slowdown last?
- What is the new global equity and bond market reality going to be?
- Which asset class is most likely to thrive when conditions improve?
- Are we back to a protracted period like 1969 to 1982, where the stock and/or bond market stays in narrow yet volatile trading range?

As we look ahead, we are very mindful of many headwinds, including:

The likelihood of a protracted period of economic contraction. The worst of the credit crisis may be behind us, but problems still remain for the U.S. economy, and for corporate balance sheets. We think we are likely to see a significant rise in corporate bankruptcies and defaults. Problems in the credit card segment of consumer finance abound and could last for some time, in our view.

Lack of liquidity in the housing market. The government's focus appears to weigh too heavily on providing short-term consumer stimulus and preventing foreclosures rather than reducing the massive inventory of unsold, distressed properties. In our view, the political urge to provide forbearance to overextended property owners who cannot make payments may prolong the time it takes for home prices to stabilize and the market to recover.

A stronger U.S. dollar. The greenback's rebound against major currencies since the summer has reflected its perceived status as a safe haven amid the credit crunch. Should we see further temporary strength, it will continue to hurt earnings of U.S.-based multinational corporations and negatively affect emerging market economies.

Deleveraging on a massive scale. We faced a near implosion of the global financial system in October. While government aid has helped to stabilize the situation, we think much of the global economy will continue to focus on paying down/resolving debt in the quarters ahead, with the possible exception of Asia. In our view, hedge fund selling across the globe, distressed liquidity of equities, and the unwinding of complex derivative positions among institutions and professional investors has not fully played out. This may continue to put downward pressure on prices across asset classes.

For now, the domestic economic news still remains troubling. The U.S. unemployment rate could move to 10 percent in our view (from 7.2 percent at Dec. 31, 2008). We believe that conditions suggest no improvement until at least the second half of 2009. The U.S. lost nearly 3 million jobs in calendar year 2008, the most since the end of the Second World War, and could lose millions more as the recession unfolds.

Our current expectation is for an L-shaped equity market performance pattern in the months ahead, with stocks remaining in a narrow trading range. We believe it will take a considerable period of time for market confidence to be restored and for the substantial imbalances in credit markets to be worked out. U.S. consumers will need to save more as employment prospects remain bleak.

We feel our ability to select a wide range of underlying Portfolios gives us an advantage in our effort to navigate the uncertainties that lie ahead. We are looking at many asset classes to help balance each Pathfinder Portfolio and generate income, as applicable, while we wait for the credit and equity market environments to improve.

As with any mutual fund, the value of each Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

International investing involves additional risks including currency fluctuations, political or economic conditions affecting the foreign country, and differences in accounting standards and foreign regulations.

Fixed-income securities are subject to interest rate risk and, as such, a Portfolio's net asset value may fall as interest rates rise. Investing in high-income securities may carry a greater risk of non-payment of interest or principal than higher-rated bonds.

These and other risks are more fully described in each Portfolio's prospectus.

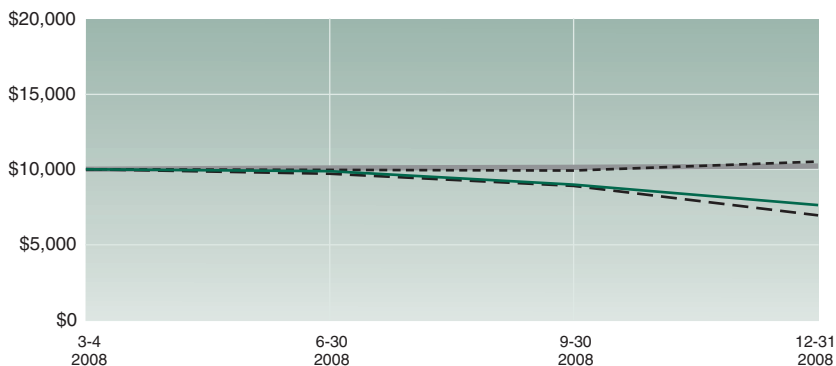
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of any Pathfinder Portfolio.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Aggressive ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 7,618 |
| - - - - | S&P 500 Index | \$ 6,947 |
| - - - - - | Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index | \$10,512 |
| — | Citigroup Short-Term Index for 1 Month Certificates of Deposit ⁽²⁾ .. | \$10,237 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2)Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the index (including income) are not available, investment in the index was effected as of February 29, 2008.

Cumulative Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08 | -23.82% |

(3)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4)3-4-08 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders).

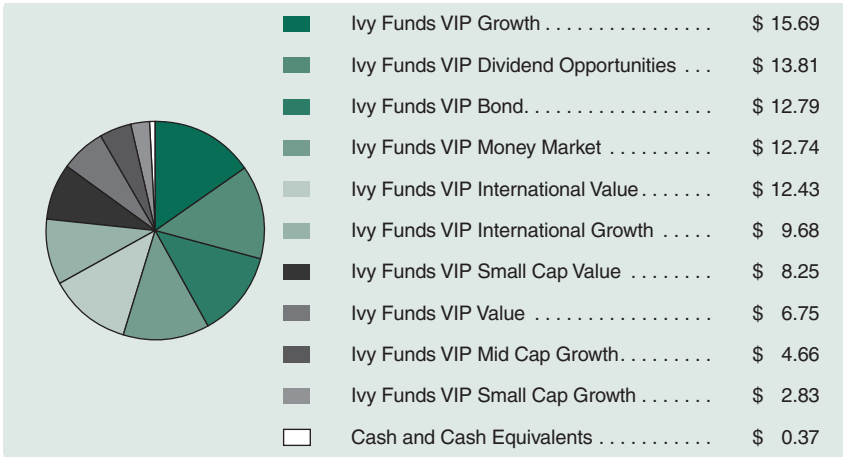
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SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF PATHFINDER AGGRESSIVE

Portfolio Highlights

(Unaudited)

As a shareholder of Pathfinder Aggressive, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Pathfinder Aggressive

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| AFFILIATED MUTUAL FUNDS | Shares | Value |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Ivy Funds VIP Bond | 1,028 | \$ 5,486 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | 1,159 | 5,924 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth (A) | 891 | 6,733 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Growth | 692 | 4,153 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Value | 428 | 5,331 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth | 444 | 2,000 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Money Market | 5,465 | 5,465 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth (A) | 200 | 1,216 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value | 344 | 3,539 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Value | 697 | 2,894 |
| TOTAL AFFILIATED MUTUAL FUNDS – 99.63% | | \$ 42,741 |
| (Cost: \$54,887) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 0.53% | Principal | |
| Repurchase Agreements | | |
| J.P. Morgan Securities, Inc., Repurchase Agreement dated 12–31–08 to be repurchased at \$225, 0.010%, 1–2–09 (B) | \$ 225 | \$ 225 |
| (Cost: \$225) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 100.16% | | \$ 42,966 |
| (Cost: \$55,112) | | |
| LIABILITIES, NET OF CASH AND OTHER ASSETS – (0.16%) | | (68) |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$ 42,898 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Collateralized by \$145 United States Treasury Bond, 8.750% due 5–15–20; market value and accrued interest aggregate \$228.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

PATHFINDER AGGRESSIVE

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investment securities – at value: | |
| Investments in affiliated mutual funds (cost – \$54,887) | \$42,741 |
| Repurchase agreements (cost – \$225) | 225 |
| | <u>42,966</u> |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Portfolio shares sold | 59 |
| Dividends and interest | 8 |
| Prepaid and other assets | 2 |
| Total assets | <u>43,036</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 135 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 1 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | —* |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 2 |
| Total liabilities | <u>138</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$42,898</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 11 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 54,336 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 212 |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain on investment transactions | 485 |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (12,146) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$42,898</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$3.8093</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 11,262 |
| Capital shares authorized | 25,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

PATHFINDER AGGRESSIVE

For the Period From March 4, 2008⁽¹⁾ Through December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|--|------------|
| Dividends from affiliated mutual funds | \$ 130 |
| Interest and amortization | 3 |
| Total income | <u>133</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Accounting services fee | 10 |
| Registration fees | 6 |
| Custodian fees | 3 |
| Legal fees | 2 |
| Audit fees | —* |
| Shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 4 |
| Total expenses | <u>25</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>108</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|--|--------------------------|
| Realized net gain on investments in affiliated mutual funds | 40 |
| Capital gains distributions from affiliated mutual funds | 548 |
| Realized net gain on investments | <u>588</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of affiliated mutual funds during the period | (12,146) |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(11,558)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(11,450)</u></u> |

*Not shown due to rounding.

(1)Commencement of operations.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

PATHFINDER AGGRESSIVE

(In Thousands)

| | For the period from 3-4-08 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-08 |
|--|--|
| INCREASE IN NET ASSETS | |
| Operations: | |
| Net investment income | \$ 108 |
| Realized net gain on investments | 588 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (12,146) |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u>(11,450)</u> |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | |
| Net investment income | — |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | <u>—</u> |
| Capital share transactions | <u>54,348</u> |
| Total increase | <u>42,898</u> |
| NET ASSETS | |
| Beginning of period | — |
| End of period | <u>\$42,898</u> |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | <u>\$ 212</u> |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 11,662 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | — |
| Shares redeemed | (400) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | <u>11,262</u> |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$55,995 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | — |
| Value redeemed | <u>(1,647)</u> |
| Increase in outstanding capital | <u>\$54,348</u> |

(1) Commencement of operations.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

PATHFINDER AGGRESSIVE

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout the Period:

| | For the period from 3-4-08 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-08 |
|--|--|
| Net asset value, beginning of period | \$5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from investment operations: | |
| Net investment income | 0.0096 |
| Net realized and unrealized loss on investments | (1.2003) |
| Total from investment operations | (1.1907) |
| Less distributions from: | |
| Net investment income | — |
| Capital gains | — |
| Total distributions | — |
| Net asset value, end of period | <u>\$3.8093</u> |
| Total return | -23.82% |
| Net assets, end of period (in millions) | \$43 |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets | 0.10% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets | 0.44% ⁽²⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 3% |

(1)Commencement of operations.

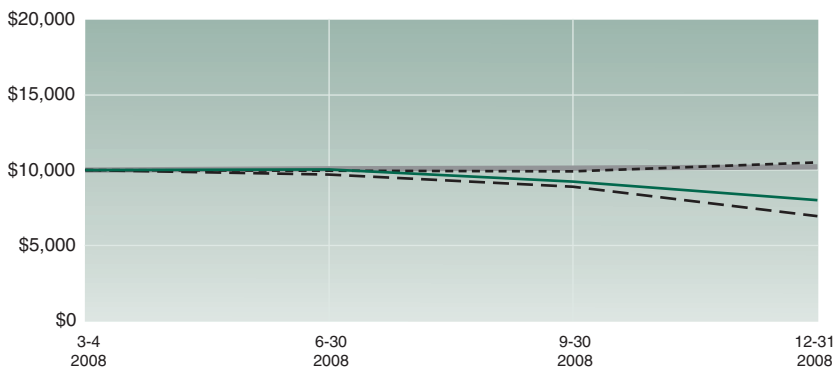
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Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 8,028 |
| - - - - | S&P 500 Index | \$ 6,947 |
| - - - - - | Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index | \$10,512 |
| — | Citigroup Short-Term Index for 1 Month Certificates of Deposit ⁽²⁾ .. | \$10,237 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2)Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the index (including income) are not available, investment in the index was effected as of February 29, 2008.

Cumulative Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08 | -19.72% |

(3)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4)3-4-08 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders).

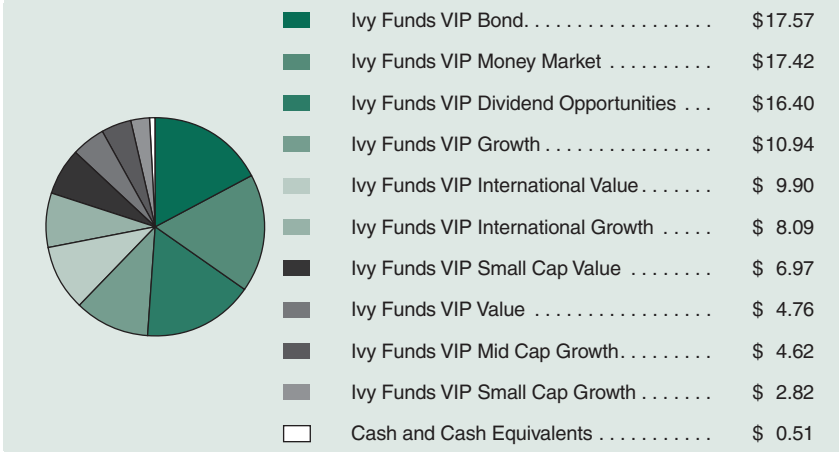
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SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF PATHFINDER MODERATELY AGGRESSIVE

Portfolio Highlights

(Unaudited)

As a shareholder of Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| AFFILIATED MUTUAL FUNDS | Shares | Value |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Ivy Funds VIP Bond | 3,810 | \$ 20,334 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | 3,712 | 18,975 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth (A) | 1,676 | 12,660 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Growth | 1,558 | 9,356 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Value | 919 | 11,458 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth | 1,185 | 5,339 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Money Market | 20,157 | 20,157 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth (A) | 536 | 3,266 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value | 784 | 8,063 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Value | 1,325 | 5,504 |
| TOTAL AFFILIATED MUTUAL FUNDS – 99.49% | | \$115,112 |
| (Cost: \$135,000) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 0.74% | Principal | |
| Repurchase Agreements | | |
| J.P. Morgan Securities, Inc., Repurchase Agreement dated 12–31–08 to be repurchased at \$852, 0.010%, 1–2–09 (B) | \$852 | \$ 852 |
| (Cost: \$852) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 100.23% | | \$115,964 |
| (Cost: \$135,852) | | |
| LIABILITIES, NET OF CASH AND OTHER ASSETS – (0.23%) | | (258) |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$115,706 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Collateralized by \$564 United States Treasury Bond, 6.375% due 8-15-27; market value and accrued interest aggregate \$845.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

PATHFINDER MODERATELY AGGRESSIVE

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value: | |
| Investments in affiliated mutual funds (cost – \$135,000) | \$115,112 |
| Repurchase agreements (cost – \$852) | 852 |
| | <u>115,964</u> |
| Cash | 2 |
| Receivables: | |
| Portfolio shares sold | 499 |
| Dividends and interest | 30 |
| Prepaid and other assets | 2 |
| Total assets | <u>116,497</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 783 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 2 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 2 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 4 |
| Total liabilities | <u>791</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$115,706</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 29 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 134,066 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 533 |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain on investment transactions | 966 |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (19,888) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$115,706</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 4.0140</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 28,826 |
| Capital shares authorized | 45,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

PATHFINDER MODERATELY AGGRESSIVE

For the Period From March 4, 2008⁽¹⁾ Through December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | | |
|--|----|------------|
| Dividends from affiliated mutual funds | \$ | 326 |
| Interest and amortization | | 6 |
| Total income | | <u>332</u> |

Expenses:

| | | |
|-------------------------|--|------------|
| Accounting services fee | | 16 |
| Registration fees | | 6 |
| Legal fees | | 4 |
| Custodian fees | | 3 |
| Audit fees | | —* |
| Shareholder servicing | | —* |
| Other | | 7 |
| Total expenses | | <u>36</u> |
| Net investment income | | <u>296</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | | |
|---|--|--------------------------|
| Capital gains distributions from affiliated mutual funds | | 1,203 |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of affiliated mutual funds during the period | | (19,888) |
| Net loss on investments | | <u>(18,685)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | | <u><u>\$(18,389)</u></u> |

(1) Commencement of operations.

*Not shown due to rounding.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

PATHFINDER MODERATELY AGGRESSIVE

(In Thousands)

| | For the period from 3-4-08 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-08 |
|--|---|
| INCREASE IN NET ASSETS | |
| Operations: | |
| Net investment income | \$ 296 |
| Realized net gain on investments | 1,203 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (19,888) |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u>(18,389)</u> |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | |
| Net investment income | — |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | <u>—</u> |
| Capital share transactions | 134,095 |
| Total increase | <u>115,706</u> |
| NET ASSETS | |
| Beginning of period | — |
| End of period | <u>\$115,706</u> |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | <u>\$ 533</u> |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 29,124 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | — |
| Shares redeemed | (298) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | <u>28,826</u> |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$135,501 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | — |
| Value redeemed | (1,406) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | <u>\$134,095</u> |

(1)Commencement of operations.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

PATHFINDER MODERATELY AGGRESSIVE

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout the Period:

| | For the period from 3-4-08 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-08 |
|--|---|
| Net asset value, beginning of period | \$5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from investment operations: | |
| Net investment income | 0.0103 |
| Net realized and unrealized loss on investments | (0.9963) |
| Total from investment operations | <u>(0.9860)</u> |
| Less distributions from: | |
| Net investment income | — |
| Capital gains | — |
| Total distributions | <u>—</u> |
| Net asset value, end of period | <u>\$4.0140</u> |
| Total return | -19.72% |
| Net assets, end of period (in millions) | \$116 |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets | 0.07% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets | 0.61% ⁽²⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | —% |

(1)Commencement of operations.

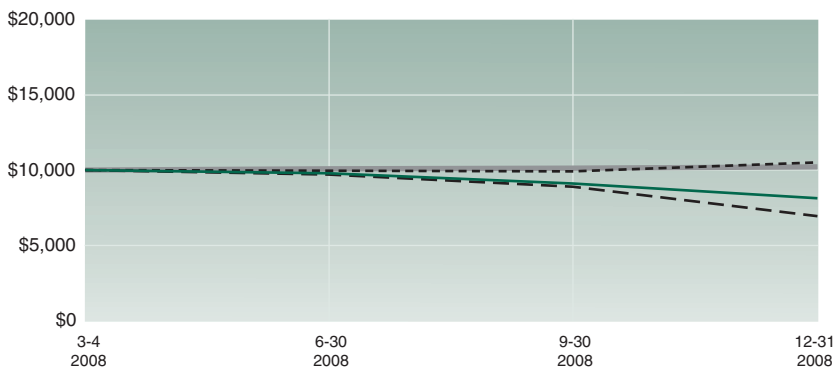
(2)Annualized.

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Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Moderate ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 8,126 |
| - - - | S&P 500 Index | \$ 6,947 |
| - - - - - | Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index | \$10,512 |
| — | Citigroup Short-Term Index for 1 Month Certificates of Deposit ⁽²⁾ .. | \$10,237 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2)Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the index (including income) are not available, investment in the index was effected as of February 29, 2008.

Cumulative Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08 | -18.74% |

(3)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4)3-4-08 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders).

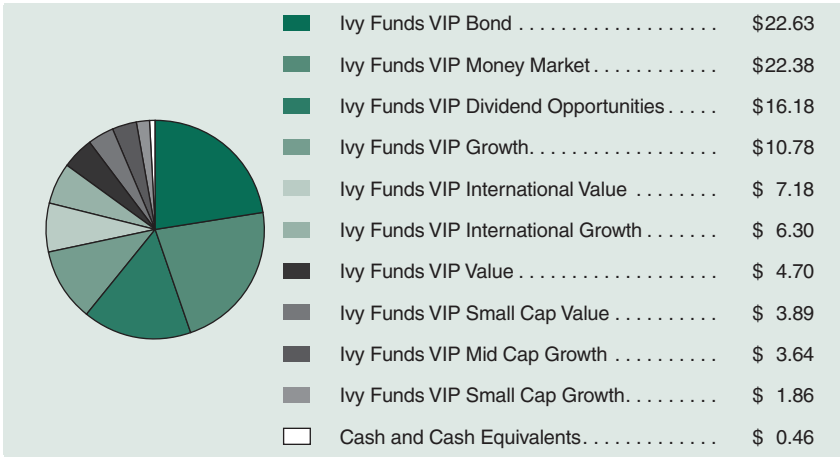
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SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF PATHFINDER MODERATE

Portfolio Highlights

(Unaudited)

As a shareholder of Pathfinder Moderate, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Pathfinder Moderate

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| AFFILIATED MUTUAL FUNDS | Shares | Value |
|--|-----------|-----------------|
| Ivy Funds VIP Bond | 3,327 | \$17,755 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | 2,483 | 12,689 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth (A) | 1,120 | 8,457 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Growth | 822 | 4,939 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Value | 452 | 5,630 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth | 634 | 2,855 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Money Market | 17,554 | 17,554 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth (A) | 240 | 1,462 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value | 297 | 3,054 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Value | 888 | 3,687 |
| TOTAL AFFILIATED MUTUAL FUNDS – 99.54% | | \$78,082 |
| (Cost: \$88,081) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 0.53% | Principal | |
| Repurchase Agreements | | |
| J.P. Morgan Securities, Inc., Repurchase Agreement dated 12–31–08 to be repurchased at \$415, 0.010%, 1–2–09 (B) | \$415 | \$ 415 |
| (Cost: \$415) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 100.07% | | \$78,497 |
| (Cost: \$88,496) | | |
| LIABILITIES, NET OF CASH AND OTHER ASSETS – (0.07%) | | (52) |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$78,445 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Collateralized by \$280 United States Treasury Bond, 6.375% due 8–15–27; market value and accrued interest aggregate \$420.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

PATHFINDER MODERATE

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investment securities – at value: | |
| Investments in affiliated mutual funds (cost – \$88,081) | \$78,082 |
| Repurchase agreements (cost – \$415) | 415 |
| | <u>78,497</u> |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Portfolio shares sold | 266 |
| Dividends and interest | 27 |
| Prepaid and other assets | 2 |
| Total assets | <u>78,793</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 342 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 2 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 1 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 3 |
| Total liabilities | <u>348</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$78,445</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 19 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 87,607 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 287 |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain | |
| on investment transactions | 531 |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (9,999) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$78,445</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$4.0630</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 19,307 |
| Capital shares authorized | 30,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

PATHFINDER MODERATE

For the Period From March 4, 2008 ⁽¹⁾ Through December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|--|------------|
| Dividends from affiliated mutual funds | \$ 212 |
| Interest and amortization | 4 |
| Total income | <u>216</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Accounting services fee | 11 |
| Registration fees | 6 |
| Custodian fees | 3 |
| Legal fees | 3 |
| Audit fees | —* |
| Shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 5 |
| Total expenses | <u>28</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>188</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|--|--------------------------|
| Realized net gain on investments in affiliated mutual funds | 4 |
| Capital gains distributions from affiliated mutual funds | 626 |
| Realized net gain on investments | <u>630</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of affiliated mutual funds during the period | (9,999) |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(9,369)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$ (9,181)</u></u> |

(1) Commencement of operations.

*Not shown due to rounding.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

PATHFINDER MODERATE

(In Thousands)

| | For the period from 3-4-08 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-08 |
|--|--|
| INCREASE IN NET ASSETS | |
| Operations: | |
| Net investment income | \$ 188 |
| Realized net gain on investments | 630 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (9,999) |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u>(9,181)</u> |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | |
| Net investment income | — |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | <u>—</u> |
| Capital share transactions | <u>87,626</u> |
| Total increase | <u>78,445</u> |
| NET ASSETS | |
| Beginning of period | — |
| End of period | <u>\$78,445</u> |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | <u>\$ 287</u> |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 19,483 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | — |
| Shares redeemed | (176) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | <u>19,307</u> |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$88,394 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | — |
| Value redeemed | (768) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | <u>\$87,626</u> |

(1) Commencement of operations.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

PATHFINDER MODERATE

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout the Period:

| | For the period from 3-4-08 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-08 |
|--|--|
| Net asset value, beginning of period | \$5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from investment operations: | |
| Net investment income | 0.0097 |
| Net realized and unrealized loss on investments | (0.9467) |
| Total from investment operations | (0.9370) |
| Less distributions from: | |
| Net investment income | — |
| Capital gains | — |
| Total distributions | — |
| Net asset value, end of period | <u>\$4.0630</u> |
| Total return | -18.74% |
| Net assets, end of period (in millions) | \$78 |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets | 0.09% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets | 0.64% ⁽²⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | —% |

(1)Commencement of operations.

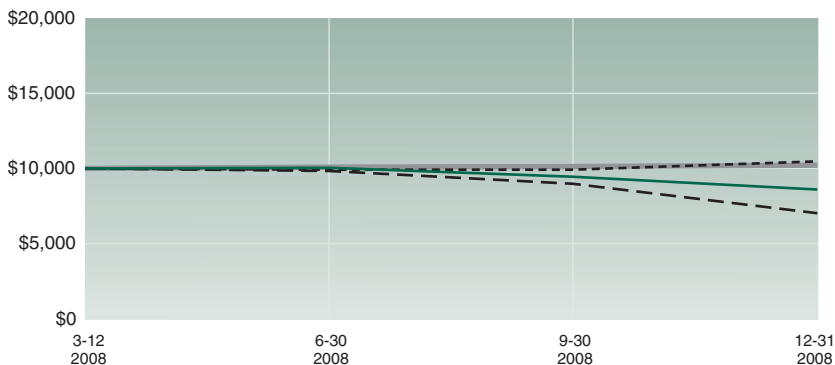
(2)Annualized.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|---|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Moderately Conservative ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 8,620 |
| - - - - | S&P 500 Index | \$ 7,035 |
| - - - - - | Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index | \$10,483 |
| — | Citigroup Short-Term Index for 1 Month Certificates of Deposit ⁽²⁾ . . | \$10,237 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2)Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the index (including income) are not available, investment in the index was effected as of February 29, 2008.

Cumulative Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|---|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08. | -13.80% |

(3)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4)3-12-08 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders).

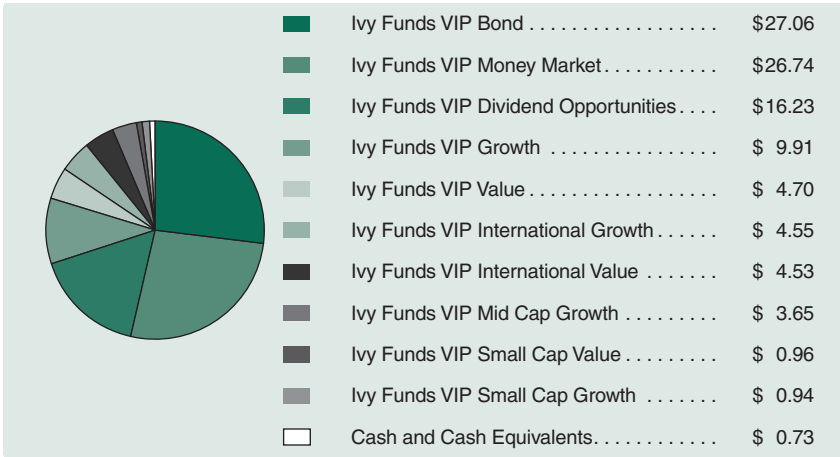
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SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF PATHFINDER MODERATELY CONSERVATIVE

Portfolio Highlights

(Unaudited)

As a shareholder of Pathfinder Moderately Conservative, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Pathfinder Moderately Conservative

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| AFFILIATED MUTUAL FUNDS | Shares | Value |
|--|-----------|-----------------|
| Ivy Funds VIP Bond | 1,631 | \$ 8,707 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | 1,022 | 5,222 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth (A) | 422 | 3,187 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Growth | 244 | 1,463 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Value | 117 | 1,457 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth | 261 | 1,175 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Money Market | 8,603 | 8,603 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth (A) | 49 | 301 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value | 30 | 310 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Value | 364 | 1,511 |
| TOTAL AFFILIATED MUTUAL FUNDS – 99.27% | | \$31,936 |
| (Cost: \$34,498) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 0.65% | Principal | |
| Repurchase Agreements | | |
| J.P. Morgan Securities, Inc., Repurchase Agreement dated 12–31–08 to be repurchased at \$208, 0.010%, 1–2–09 (B) | \$208 | \$ 208 |
| (Cost: \$208) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.92% | | \$32,144 |
| (Cost: \$34,706) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.08% | | 28 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$32,172 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Collateralized by \$133 United States Treasury Bond, 9.000% due 11–15–18; market value and accrued interest aggregate \$207.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

PATHFINDER MODERATELY CONSERVATIVE

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Investment securities – at value: | |
| Investments in affiliated mutual funds (cost – \$34,498) | \$31,936 |
| Repurchase agreements (cost – \$208) | 208 |
| | <u>32,144</u> |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Portfolio shares sold | 138 |
| Dividends and interest | 12 |
| Prepaid and other assets | 2 |
| Total assets | <u>\$32,297</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 121 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 1 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | —* |
| Other | 3 |
| Total liabilities | <u>125</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$32,172</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 7 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 34,487 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 77 |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain on investment transactions | 163 |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (2,562) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$32,172</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$4.3098</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 7,465 |
| Capital shares authorized | 20,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

PATHFINDER MODERATELY CONSERVATIVE

For the Period From March 12, 2008⁽¹⁾ Through December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Dividends from affiliated mutual funds | \$ 75 |
| Interest and amortization | 2 |
| Total income | <u>77</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Registration fees | 6 |
| Accounting services fee | 3 |
| Custodian fees | 3 |
| Legal fees | 2 |
| Report printing | 2 |
| Shareholder servicing | —* |
| Audit fees | —* |
| Other | 1 |
| Total expenses | <u>17</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>60</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|--|-------------------------|
| Realized net gain on investments in affiliated mutual funds | 1 |
| Capital gains distributions from affiliated mutual funds | 179 |
| Realized net gain on investments | <u>180</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of affiliated mutual funds during the period | (2,562) |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(2,382)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(2,322)</u></u> |

*Not shown due to rounding.

(1)Commencement of operations.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

PATHFINDER MODERATELY CONSERVATIVE

(In Thousands)

| | For the period from 3-12-08 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-08 |
|--|---|
| INCREASE IN NET ASSETS | |
| Operations: | |
| Net investment income | \$ 60 |
| Realized net gain on investments | 180 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (2,562) |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u>(2,322)</u> |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | |
| Net investment income | — |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | — |
| | <u>—</u> |
| Capital share transactions | <u>34,494</u> |
| Total increase | <u>32,172</u> |
| NET ASSETS | |
| Beginning of period | — |
| End of period | <u>\$32,172</u> |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | <u>\$ 77</u> |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 7,533 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | — |
| Shares redeemed | (68) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | <u>7,465</u> |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$34,821 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | — |
| Value redeemed | (327) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | <u>\$34,494</u> |

(1) Commencement of operations.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

PATHFINDER MODERATELY CONSERVATIVE

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout the Period:

| | For the period from 3-12-08 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-08 |
|--|---|
| Net asset value, beginning of period | \$5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from investment operations: | |
| Net investment income | 0.0080 |
| Net realized and unrealized loss on investments | (0.6982) |
| Total from investment operations | (0.6902) |
| Less distributions from: | |
| Net investment income | — |
| Capital gains | — |
| Total distributions | — |
| Net asset value, end of period | <u>\$4.3098</u> |
| Total return | -13.80% |
| Net assets, end of period (in millions) | \$32 |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets | 0.18% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets | 0.63% ⁽²⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | —% |

(1)Commencement of operations.

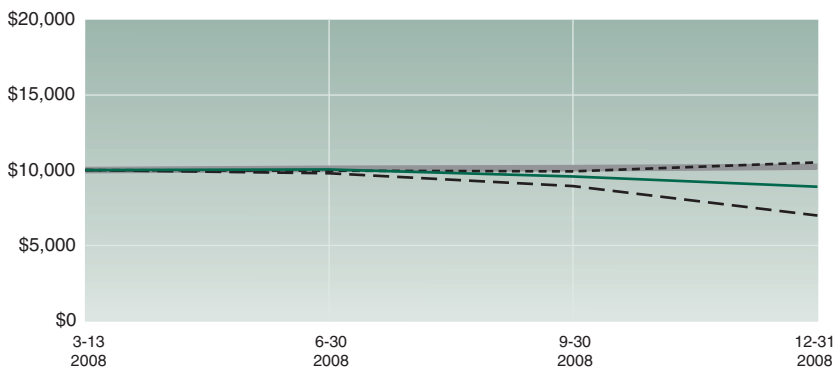
(2)Annualized

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Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|---|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Conservative ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 8,906 |
| - - - - | S&P 500 Index | \$ 6,999 |
| - - - - - | Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index | \$10,508 |
| — | Citigroup Short-Term Index for 1 Month Certificates of Deposit ⁽²⁾ . . | \$10,237 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2)Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the index (including income) are not available, investment in the index was effected as of February 29, 2008.

Cumulative Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|---|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08. | -10.94% |

(3)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4)3-13-08 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders).

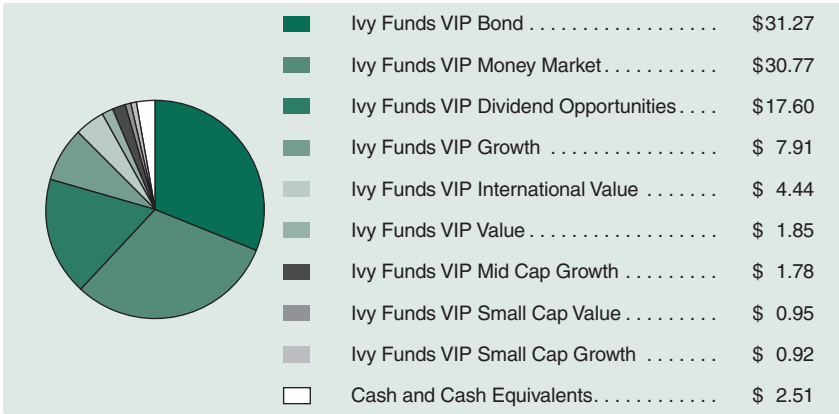
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SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF PATHFINDER CONSERVATIVE

Portfolio Highlights

(Unaudited)

As a shareholder of Pathfinder Conservative, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Pathfinder Conservative

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| AFFILIATED MUTUAL FUNDS | Shares | Value |
|--|------------------|-----------------|
| Ivy Funds VIP Bond | 702 | \$ 3,745 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | 412 | 2,108 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth (A) | 125 | 947 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Value | 43 | 532 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth | 47 | 213 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Money Market | 3,685 | 3,685 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth (A) | 18 | 110 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value | 11 | 113 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Value | 53 | 221 |
| TOTAL AFFILIATED MUTUAL FUNDS – 97.49% | | \$11,674 |
| (Cost: \$12,296) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 1.46% | Principal | |
| Repurchase Agreements | | |
| J.P. Morgan Securities, Inc., Repurchase Agreement dated 12–31–08 to be repurchased at \$175, 0.010%, 1–2–09 (B) | \$ 175 | \$ 175 |
| (Cost: \$175) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 98.95% | | \$11,849 |
| (Cost: \$12,471) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 1.05% | | 126 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$11,975 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Collateralized by \$113 United States Treasury Bond, 8.750% due 5–15–20; market value and accrued interest aggregate \$178.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

PATHFINDER CONSERVATIVE

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investment securities – at value: | |
| Investments in affiliated mutual funds (cost – \$12,296) | \$11,674 |
| Repurchase agreements (cost – \$175) | 175 |
| | <u>11,849</u> |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Portfolio shares sold | 202 |
| Dividends and interest | 5 |
| Prepaid and other assets | 2 |
| Total assets | <u>12,059</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 81 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 1 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | —* |
| Other | 2 |
| Total liabilities | <u>84</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$11,975</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 3 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 12,535 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 21 |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain on investment transactions | 38 |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (622) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$11,975</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$4.4530</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 2,689 |
| Capital shares authorized | 20,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

PATHFINDER CONSERVATIVE

For the Period From March 13, 2008⁽¹⁾ Through December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|--|-------|
| Dividends from affiliated mutual funds | \$ 28 |
| Interest and amortization | 1 |

Total income 29

Expenses:

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Registration fees | 6 |
| Custodian fees | 2 |
| Accounting services fee | 1 |
| Legal fees | 1 |
| Report printing | 1 |
| Shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 2 |
| Total expenses | <u>13</u> |

Net investment income 16

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|-----------------------|
| Realized net gain on investments in affiliated mutual funds | 2 |
| Capital gains distributions from affiliated mutual funds | 42 |
| Realized net gain on investments | <u>44</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of affiliated mutual funds | |
| during the period | <u>(622)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(578)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(562)</u></u> |

*Not shown due to rounding.

(1)Commencement of operations.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

PATHFINDER CONSERVATIVE

(In Thousands)

| | For the period from 3-13-08 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-08 |
|--|---|
| INCREASE IN NET ASSETS | |
| Operations: | |
| Net investment income | \$ 16 |
| Realized net gain on investments | 44 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (622) |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u>(562)</u> |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | |
| Net investment income | — |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | <u>—</u> |
| Capital share transactions | <u>12,537</u> |
| Total increase | <u>11,975</u> |
| NET ASSETS | |
| Beginning of period | — |
| End of period | <u>\$11,975</u> |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | <u>\$ 21</u> |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 2,781 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | — |
| Shares redeemed | (92) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | <u>2,689</u> |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$12,959 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | — |
| Value redeemed | (422) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | <u>\$12,537</u> |

(1) Commencement of operations.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

PATHFINDER CONSERVATIVE

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout the Period:

| | For the period from 3-13-08⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-08 |
|--|---|
| Net asset value, beginning of period | \$5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from investment operations: | |
| Net investment income | 0.0058 |
| Net realized and unrealized loss on investments | (0.5528) |
| Total from investment operations | (0.5470) |
| Less distributions from: | |
| Net investment income | — |
| Capital gains | — |
| Total distributions | — |
| Net asset value, end of period | <u>\$4.4530</u> |
| Total return | -10.94% |
| Net assets, end of period (in millions) | \$12 |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets | 0.39% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets | 0.45% ⁽²⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 2% |

(1)Commencement of operations.

(2)Annualized.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

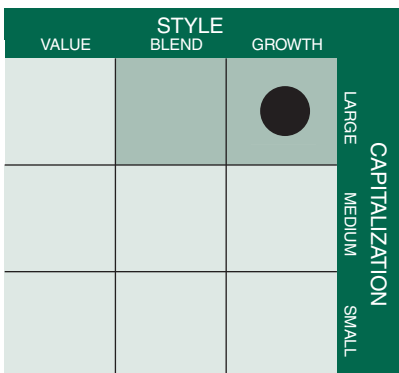
Managers' Discussion of Core Equity

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, Erik R. Becker, CFA, and Gustaf C. Zinn, CFA, portfolio managers of Ivy Funds VIP Core Equity, discuss positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. They have managed the Portfolio since July 2006. Mr. Becker has nine years of industry experience while Mr. Zinn has ten.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

Higher than normal cash levels throughout the year aided performance relative to the Portfolio's benchmark. The worst performing market sectors for the year included financials, materials, and information technology while the three best performing market sectors included consumer staples, health care, and utilities. It stands to reason that as economic growth slowed throughout the year, the more "defensive" sectors outperformed those that are more sensitive to changes in the economy. All market sectors posted negative absolute returns during the year.

| Fiscal year performance | |
|--|----------------|
| For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008 | |
| Ivy Funds VIP Core Equity | -34.77% |
| Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category | |
| S&P 500 Index | -37.00% |
| (reflects the performance of securities that represent the overall stock market) | |
| Lipper Variable Annuity Large-Cap Core Funds Universe Average | -38.85% |
| (generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives) | |

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

A "perfect storm" affected consumer spending

The past year was extraordinarily challenging. The precipitous declines in financial markets were clearly in reaction to the worsening effects of the credit crunch that began more than a year ago. Specifically, economic growth in developed and developing markets globally ground to a halt in the second half of the year. U.S. GDP is expected to have declined 5-6 percent in the fourth quarter, the worst performance since the 1981-82 recession. The economies of western Europe, Japan, and

Korea, (among others) joined the U.S. in recession while emerging economies such as China, Russia, and Latin America slowed significantly. The housing market in the U.S. continued to be a source of instability over the past year. The most recent Case-Schiller reading on housing prices in the top 20 U.S. markets is now a record 21 percent off its peak with many estimates for another 15 percent decline in price levels. The reduction in housing prices, rising unemployment, and the drop in financial markets have combined to create a “perfect storm” for consumer spending which likely declined at its fastest pace since 1980. As the result of slowing economic growth, corporate earnings contracted in 2008 for the second straight year and at the moment look likely to contract in 2009.

Defensive positioning helped a bit

Beginning in the spring of 2008 and continuing in the third calendar quarter, we began to make significant changes in response to our expectation for a worsening in the overall economic environment. At the time we significantly reduced our holdings within energy, industrials, and materials. Earnings within these segments of the market are heavily dependent upon global economic growth and level commodity prices. At the same time we increased our weightings in more defensive sectors such as health care, consumer staples and telecom services where earnings growth is typically more stable, even in the face of more difficult economic conditions.

Additionally, we re-doubled efforts to reduce positions where balance sheet health and competitive positioning could or would be questioned while adding to companies that we felt possessed unquestionable financial and competitive positioning. While these changes generally served the Portfolio well, they were not enough to prevent the steep declines for the year.

Current Portfolio strategy reflects a balance between maintaining significant positions in defensive sectors such as staples, health care, and telecom services and building positions opportunistically in more aggressive areas for an eventual market recovery. To that end we have recently increased weightings within the consumer discretionary and financial sectors with a keen focus on those companies that have seen their competitive positioning (and therefore long-run earnings outlooks) strengthen as a result of the ongoing downturn. Additionally, history suggests that valuation is an integral aspect in determining whether stocks outperform in the early stages of a market or economic recovery.

To that end, we have increased our emphasis on valuation as a tool while remaining focused on long-term earnings power and business model strength. We continue to remain very positive on long-term themes such as aerospace/defense, mobile broadband deployment, and financial consolidators. Longer-term themes such as energy services and agriculture have been deemphasized although as prospects for economic growth improve they will only increase in relevance.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Hewlett-Packard Company | Information Technology |
| J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. | Financials |
| Exxon Mobil Corporation | Energy |
| Wells Fargo & Company | Financials |
| Home Depot, Inc. (The) | Consumer Discretionary |
| Amgen Inc. | Health Care |
| XTO Energy Inc. | Energy |
| Lorillard, Inc. | Consumer Staples |
| AT&T Inc. | Telecommunication Services |
| Molson Coors Brewing Company, Class B | Consumer Staples |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

Our outlook

We think the outlook for the equity market over the next 12 months is uncertain. The strains on economic growth both in the U.S. and abroad are real and the recovery may not be quick to arrive or vigorous in nature. The financial system is arguably undergoing its greatest challenge since the Great Depression as consumers and businesses default on loan commitments leaving banks unwilling or unable to lend. We believe that bank capital positions will be rebuilt over time and their willingness to extend credit will not improve rapidly. Consumer savings, after having gone to zero in 2008 (as a percentage of disposable income), will need time to be rebuilt as individuals can no longer finance purchases based on rising home and investment portfolio values. As personal savings rise, businesses dependent on consumer spending will continue to struggle. That said, there are some signs that market fundamentals may be bottoming.

The new Obama administration will need to successfully implement a stimulus package in the coming months. At 6 percent of GDP as of early January 2009, the size of this package

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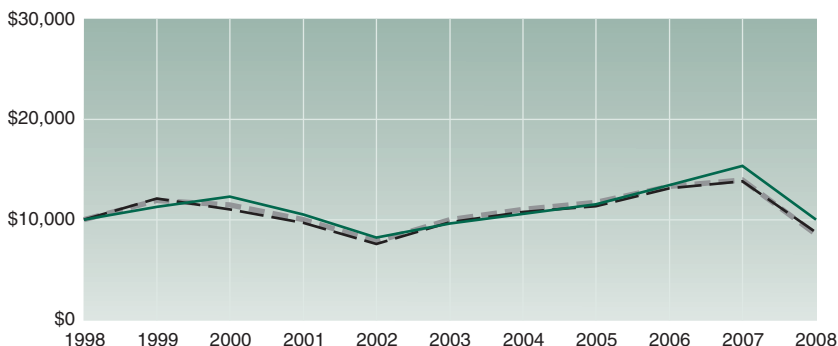
appears significant in its size and its scope. Additionally, efforts by the Federal Reserve and the Treasury to thaw credit markets through numerous policy initiatives appear to be successful so far as evidenced by the reduction in mortgage rates and credit spreads (the difference paid by risky borrowers over risk-free borrowers) in a number of areas.

Many non-financial corporations, while pressured by ongoing economic events, appear more flush with cash today relative to previous downturns. And finally, most measures of valuation relative to dividends, free cash flow, and earnings suggest stocks appear relatively "cheap" from a historical perspective. The timing of an equity market rebound cannot be known for sure but will depend on the success of the various policy initiatives put in place, the effects of the pending economic stimulus, and the eventual bottoming in the housing market. For now, we will continue to act opportunistically to purchase what we feel are competitively advantaged companies that are likely to generate earnings power well above current levels when economic growth resumes.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|---------|--|---------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Core Equity ⁽¹⁾ | \$9,994 |
| - - - | S&P 500 Index | \$8,695 |
| - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Large-Cap Core Funds Universe Average | \$8,527 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -34.77% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | 0.77% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | -0.01% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

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SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF CORE EQUITY

Portfolio Highlights

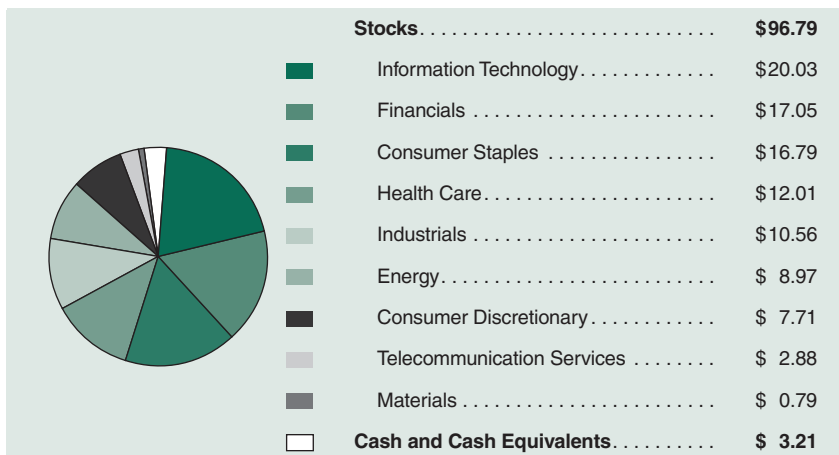
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On December 31, 2008, Core Equity had net assets totaling \$402,127 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 92.10% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 4.69% | Foreign Common Stocks |
| 3.21% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |

Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Core Equity

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Aerospace & Defense – 5.34% | | |
| General Dynamics Corporation | 65 | \$ 3,714 |
| Lockheed Martin Corporation | 105 | 8,837 |
| Raytheon Company | 175 | 8,922 |
| | | <u>21,473</u> |
| Application Software – 1.13% | | |
| SAP Aktiengesellschaft, ADR | 125 | 4,538 |
| Biotechnology – 3.62% | | |
| Amgen Inc. (A) | 214 | 12,376 |
| Genentech, Inc. (A) | 26 | 2,164 |
| | | <u>14,540</u> |
| Brewers – 2.86% | | |
| Molson Coors Brewing Company, Class B | 235 | 11,501 |
| Building Products – 0.99% | | |
| Masco Corporation | 357 | 3,970 |
| Communications Equipment – 4.09% | | |
| QUALCOMM Incorporated | 309 | 11,079 |
| Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson, ADR | 685 | 5,352 |
| | | <u>16,431</u> |
| Computer Hardware – 6.73% | | |
| Apple Inc. (A) | 68 | 5,838 |
| Hewlett-Packard Company | 585 | 21,230 |
| | | <u>27,068</u> |
| Construction & Farm Machinery & Heavy Trucks – 2.24% | | |
| Deere & Company | 236 | 9,036 |
| Consumer Finance – 3.66% | | |
| American Express Company | 214 | 3,973 |
| Capital One Financial Corporation | 337 | 10,749 |
| | | <u>14,722</u> |
| Data Processing & Outsourced Services – 0.86% | | |
| Visa Inc., Class A | 66 | 3,467 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 57.

The Investments of Core Equity

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|---------------|
| Department Stores – 3.31% | | |
| Kohl's Corporation (A) | 163 | \$ 5,883 |
| Macy's Inc. | 406 | 4,200 |
| Nordstrom, Inc. | 242 | 3,218 |
| | | <u>13,301</u> |
| Diversified Banks – 3.30% | | |
| Wells Fargo & Company | 450 | 13,266 |
| | | <u>13,266</u> |
| Food Retail – 2.08% | | |
| Kroger Co. (The) | 317 | 8,380 |
| | | <u>8,380</u> |
| Health Care Equipment – 5.45% | | |
| Baxter International Inc. | 148 | 7,905 |
| Becton, Dickinson and Company | 62 | 4,268 |
| Medtronic, Inc. | 310 | 9,724 |
| | | <u>21,897</u> |
| Home Entertainment Software – 1.05% | | |
| Nintendo Co., Ltd. (B) | 11 | 4,242 |
| | | <u>4,242</u> |
| Home Improvement Retail – 4.40% | | |
| Home Depot, Inc. (The) | 551 | 12,691 |
| Sherwin-Williams Company (The) | 84 | 5,019 |
| | | <u>17,710</u> |
| Hypermarkets & Super Centers – 5.02% | | |
| Costco Wholesale Corporation | 173 | 9,104 |
| Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. | 198 | 11,077 |
| | | <u>20,181</u> |
| Industrial Gases – 0.79% | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. | 63 | 3,159 |
| | | <u>3,159</u> |
| Integrated Oil & Gas – 3.52% | | |
| Exxon Mobil Corporation | 177 | 14,160 |
| | | <u>14,160</u> |
| Integrated Telecommunication Services – 2.88% | | |
| AT&T Inc. | 407 | 11,600 |
| | | <u>11,600</u> |
| Internet Software & Services – 1.45% | | |
| Google Inc., Class A (A) | 19 | 5,814 |
| | | <u>5,814</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 57.

The Investments of Core Equity

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Investment Banking & Brokerage – 2.67% | | |
| Charles Schwab Corporation (The) | 664 | \$ 10,741 |
| Life & Health Insurance – 0.78% | | |
| MetLife, Inc. (A) | 90 | 3,134 |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 2.48% | | |
| National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (A) | 115 | 2,798 |
| Schlumberger Limited | 62 | 2,620 |
| Smith International, Inc. | 100 | 2,285 |
| Weatherford International Ltd. (A) | 210 | 2,267 |
| | | <u>9,970</u> |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 2.97% | | |
| XTO Energy Inc. | 338 | 11,925 |
| Other Diversified Financial Services – 5.25% | | |
| Bank of America Corporation | 277 | 3,903 |
| J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. | 546 | 17,228 |
| | | <u>21,131</u> |
| Packaged Foods & Meats – 1.12% | | |
| General Mills, Inc. | 75 | 4,526 |
| Pharmaceuticals – 2.94% | | |
| Abbott Laboratories | 133 | 7,119 |
| Novartis AG, Registered Shares (B) | 94 | 4,723 |
| | | <u>11,842</u> |
| Railroads – 1.99% | | |
| Union Pacific Corporation | 167 | 7,997 |
| Semiconductor Equipment – 1.62% | | |
| Applied Materials, Inc. | 643 | 6,509 |
| Semiconductors – 1.34% | | |
| Microchip Technology Incorporated | 277 | 5,400 |
| Soft Drinks – 1.65% | | |
| Coca-Cola Company (The) | 146 | 6,618 |
| Specialized Finance – 1.39% | | |
| IntercontinentalExchange, Inc. (A) | 68 | 5,573 |

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The Investments of Core Equity

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Systems Software – 1.76% | | |
| Microsoft Corporation | 365 | \$ 7,092 |
| Tobacco – 4.06% | | |
| Lorillard, Inc. | 210 | 11,839 |
| Philip Morris International Inc. | 103 | 4,473 |
| | | <u>16,312</u> |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 96.79% | | \$389,226 |
| (Cost: \$429,725) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Hershey Company (The), 0.150%, 1–28–09 | \$2,000 | 2,000 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1–5–09 | 1,440 | 1,439 |
| Praxair Inc., 0.120%, 2–17–09 | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| Siemens Capital Corp., 0.150%, 1–8–09 | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Walgreen Co., 1.300%, 1–23–09 | 4,000 | 3,997 |
| | | <u>\$ 12,436</u> |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 3.09% | | \$ 12,436 |
| (Cost: \$12,436) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.88% | | \$401,662 |
| (Cost: \$442,161) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.12% | | 465 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$402,127 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Listed on an exchange outside the United States.

The following acronym is used throughout this portfolio:

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

Industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

CORE EQUITY

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$442,161) | \$401,662 |
| Cash | 2 |
| Receivables: | |
| Dividends and interest | 756 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 8 |
| Total assets | <u>402,428</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 204 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 10 |
| Accrued management fee | 7 |
| Accrued service fee | 3 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | 1 |
| Other | 76 |
| Total liabilities | <u>301</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$402,127</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 50 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 463,948 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 3,875 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (25,270) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (40,476) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$402,127</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 8.1109</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 49,578 |
| Capital shares authorized | 115,000 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

CORE EQUITY

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$9) | \$ 8,704 |
| Interest and amortization | 849 |
| Total income | <u>9,553</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Investment management fee | 4,086 |
| Service fee | 1,462 |
| Accounting services fee | 151 |
| Custodian fees | 22 |
| Legal fees | 22 |
| Audit fees | 14 |
| Shareholder servicing | 5 |
| Other | 113 |
| Total | <u>5,875</u> |
| Less expenses in excess of limit | (286) |
| Total expenses | <u>5,589</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>3,964</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|--|---------------------------|
| Realized net loss on securities | (22,653) |
| Realized net gain on futures contracts | 351 |
| Realized net loss on foreign currency exchange transactions | (20) |
| Realized net loss on investments | <u>(22,322)</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of securities during the period | (215,630) |
| Unrealized appreciation in value of foreign currency exchange transactions during the period | 12 |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(215,618)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(237,940)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(233,976)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

CORE EQUITY

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|--------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| DECREASE IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 3,964 | \$ 5,146 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (22,322) | 50,010 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (215,618) | 44,814 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (233,976) | 99,970 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (968) | (4,500) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (14,757) | (66,000) |
| | (15,725) | (70,500) |
| Capital share transactions | (94,053) | (45,338) |
| Total decrease | (343,754) | (15,868) |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 745,881 | 761,749 |
| End of period | <u>\$402,127</u> | <u>\$745,881</u> |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income. | \$ 3,875 | \$ 899 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 1,250 | 1,664 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 2,009 | 5,440 |
| Shares redeemed | (11,241) | (10,249) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital shares | (7,982) | (3,145) |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 13,531 | \$ 22,378 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 15,725 | 70,500 |
| Value redeemed | (123,309) | (138,216) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital | <u>\$ (94,053)</u> | <u>\$ (45,338)</u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

CORE EQUITY

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$12.9583 | \$12.5485 | \$11.1221 | \$10.2369 | \$ 9.3996 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment income . . . | 0.0832 | 0.0977 | 0.0805 | 0.0358 | 0.0622 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain | | | | | |
| (loss) on | | | | | |
| investments | (4.6008) | 1.6632 | 1.8084 | 0.8859 | 0.8373 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (4.5176) | 1.7609 | 1.8889 | 0.9217 | 0.8995 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income . . . | (0.0203) | (0.0862) | (0.1093) | (0.0365) | (0.0622) |
| Capital gains | (0.3095) | (1.2649) | (0.3532) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.3298) | (1.3511) | (0.4625) | (0.0365) | (0.0622) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$ 8.1109 | \$12.9583 | \$12.5485 | \$11.1221 | \$10.2369 |
| Total return | -34.77% | 14.03% | 16.99% | 9.01% | 9.57% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$402 | \$746 | \$762 | \$723 | \$737 |
| Ratio of expenses to | | | | | |
| average net assets | | | | | |
| including expense | | | | | |
| waiver | 0.96% | 0.96% | 0.99% | 1.01% | 1.01% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.68% | 0.68% | 0.62% | 0.32% | 0.62% |
| Ratio of expenses to | | | | | |
| average net assets | | | | | |
| excluding expense | | | | | |
| waiver | 1.01% | 1.01% | 1.00% | 1.01% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.01% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.63% | 0.63% | 0.61% | 0.32% ⁽¹⁾ | 0.62% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 105% | 83% | 103% | 62% | 54% |

(1) There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

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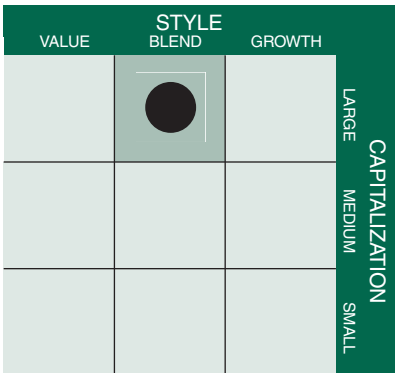
Manager's Discussion of Dividend Opportunities

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, David P. Ginther, CPA, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. He has managed the Portfolio for five years and has 13 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

Energy and materials led the market's decline

The Portfolio's extremely negative absolute return this past year, along with that for the index and our Lipper peer group, was driven in large part by exposure to the energy and industrials sectors. We lost slightly less money than our benchmark and our Lipper peer group, but the results are nonetheless disappointing.

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | -35.91% |
| Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category | |
| Russell 1000 Index | -37.60% |
| (generally reflects the performance of stocks that represent the equity market) | |
| Lipper Variable Annuity Equity Income Funds Universe Average | -36.13% |
| (generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives) | |

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

During the fiscal year, we saw oil reach an all-time high at more than \$147 per barrel in mid-July before its unprecedented collapse to below \$40 per barrel in mid-December. As such, the energy sector underperformed as oil prices collapsed and the world moved into a recession. Another casualty of the weakening economic conditions was the commodity-related sectors; they were the best performers in the first half of the fiscal year before becoming some of the worst-performing sectors as the markets sold off.

The Portfolio benefited from increasing its weighting in the consumer staples sector, as cash flows have remained strong. In addition, raw material costs have moderated, which we feel should lead to margin improvement. Also, we continue to be cautious on consumer discretionary spending due to the weakening employment environment and high consumer debt levels in a tight credit market.

A global lack of confidence

The financial crisis led the U.S. into a recession that spread into a severe worldwide recession. The result was a severe decline in U.S. equity markets and even more in other parts of the world. The poor performance of the stock markets during the fiscal year was due in large part to the deterioration of the credit markets and lack of confidence in the financial system. The decline in credit quality was accompanied by slower economic growth. To help combat slowing economies, the Federal Reserve lowered interest rates and injected capital in an effort to improve conditions and avoid a financial crisis, but the attempts have been unsuccessful to date.

Throughout the year, the Portfolio became more defensive by investing in stocks that we believe are less sensitive to the slow economic environment. We focused on companies that we feel have the ability to deliver strong cash flow growth in the weakening credit market. Also, the Portfolio increased its ownership in

the financials sector as the industry underwent a massive restructuring and consolidation. We are focusing on the survivors with the strongest financial positions that we believe should benefit when the economy recovers. While we feel this makes sense in the long term, we continue to worry about additional credit issues affecting the financial sector.

Our investment strategy has remained consistent as we continue to focus on total returns. We continue to look for companies that we believe have strong balance sheets and high free cash flow yield. Meanwhile, the Portfolio remains focused on the consumer staples and energy sectors as strong cash flow generators, while remaining underweighted in technology, health care and consumer discretionary.

Our outlook

We are concerned that the perfect storm caused by a deterioration of credit markets, weakening housing market, rising unemployment and lack of confidence in the financial system will continue through most of 2009. Also, we believe corporate profit expectations remain too high and will have to be revised downward in 2009. Furthermore, we believe the U.S. economy will continue to weigh on consumer spending. Also, the consumer is dealing with rising unemployment and tighter credit standards.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Exxon Mobil Corporation | Energy |
| Colgate-Palmolive Company | Consumer Staples |
| Abbott Laboratories | Health Care |
| Philip Morris International Inc. | Consumer Staples |
| J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. | Financials |
| Wells Fargo & Company | Financials |
| Fluor Corporation | Industrials |
| Lorillard, Inc. | Consumer Staples |
| Raytheon Company | Industrials |
| Schlumberger Limited | Energy |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

On a positive note, we are starting to see a worldwide response to the crisis. Newly-elected President Obama is looking for a massive stimulus package, while other governments in Europe and Asia are considering the same. Also, we have become

less concerned over inflation as commodity prices have retrenched and global economies have continued to slow. We are looking for investment ideas that we believe will benefit from the stimulus package as the world begins to emerge from the storm.

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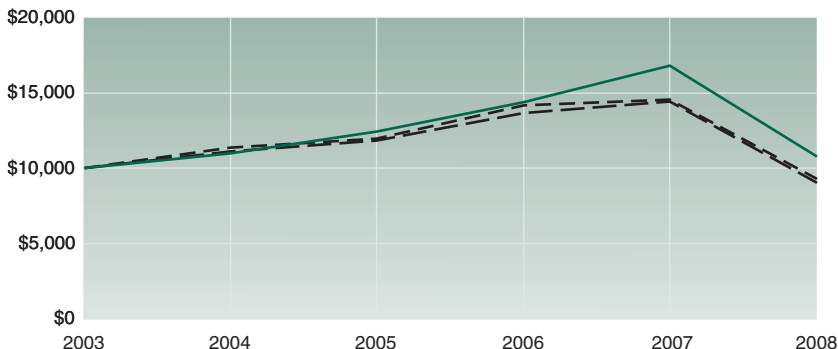
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Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|---------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities ⁽¹⁾ | \$10,776 |
| — — — | Russell 1000 Index ⁽²⁾ | \$ 9,023 |
| — — — — | Lipper Variable Annuity Equity Income Funds Universe Average ⁽²⁾ | \$ 9,292 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2)Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the indexes (including income) are not available, investment in the indexes was effected as of December 31, 2003.

Average Annual Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -35.91% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | 1.51% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08 | 1.50% |

(3)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4)12-30-03 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders).

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SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF DIVIDEND OPPORTUNITIES

Portfolio Highlights

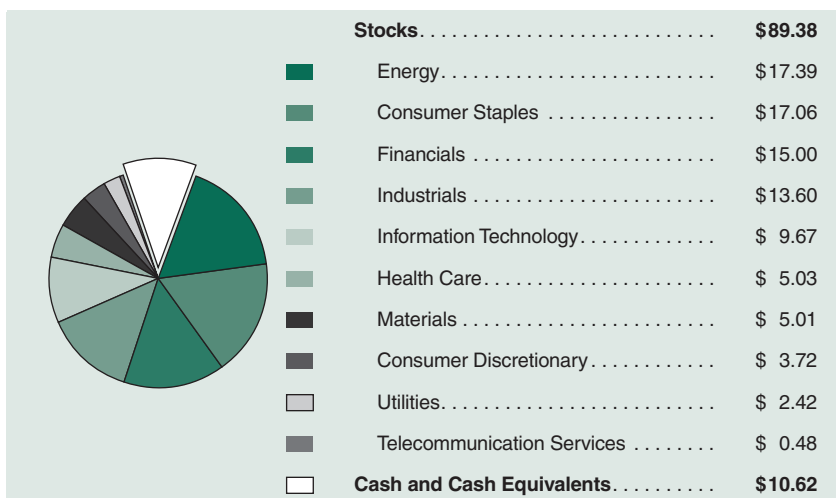
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On December 31, 2008, Dividend Opportunities had net assets totaling \$123,026 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 81.29% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 10.62% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 8.09% | Foreign Common Stocks |

Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Dividend Opportunities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|----------|
| Aerospace & Defense – 2.40% | | |
| Raytheon Company | 58 | \$ 2,955 |
| Asset Management & Custody Banks – 0.78% | | |
| AllianceBernstein Holding L.P. | 46 | 954 |
| Communications Equipment – 4.26% | | |
| Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. | 98 | 1,167 |
| Nokia Corporation, Series A, ADR | 111 | 1,733 |
| QUALCOMM Incorporated | 65 | 2,338 |
| | | 5,238 |
| Computer Hardware – 1.40% | | |
| Hewlett-Packard Company | 48 | 1,724 |
| Construction & Engineering – 3.37% | | |
| Chicago Bridge & Iron Company N.V., NY Shares | 100 | 1,006 |
| Fluor Corporation | 70 | 3,146 |
| | | 4,152 |
| Construction & Farm Machinery & Heavy Trucks – 3.40% | | |
| Caterpillar Inc. | 31 | 1,403 |
| Deere & Company | 72 | 2,777 |
| | | 4,180 |
| Consumer Finance – 1.11% | | |
| Capital One Financial Corporation | 43 | 1,363 |
| Data Processing & Outsourced Services – 0.60% | | |
| Visa Inc., Class A | 14 | 737 |
| Department Stores – 0.87% | | |
| Nordstrom, Inc. | 80 | 1,068 |
| Distillers & Vintners – 1.64% | | |
| Diageo plc, ADR | 36 | 2,021 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 71.

The Investments of Dividend Opportunities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Diversified Banks – 4.10% | | |
| U.S. Bancorp | 75 | \$ 1,870 |
| Wells Fargo & Company | 108 | 3,172 |
| | | <u>5,042</u> |
| Diversified Metals & Mining – 0.79% | | |
| Rio Tinto plc, ADR | 11 | 974 |
| Electrical Components & Equipment – 1.17% | | |
| Emerson Electric Co. | 39 | 1,438 |
| Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals – 1.84% | | |
| Monsanto Company | 32 | 2,262 |
| General Merchandise Stores – 0.43% | | |
| Target Corporation | 15 | 525 |
| Health Care Equipment – 1.41% | | |
| Medtronic, Inc. | 55 | 1,728 |
| Hotels, Resorts & Cruise Lines – 0.53% | | |
| Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide, Inc. | 37 | 654 |
| Household Products – 6.05% | | |
| Colgate-Palmolive Company | 69 | 4,741 |
| Procter & Gamble Company (The) | 44 | 2,696 |
| | | <u>7,437</u> |
| Independent Power Producers & Energy Traders – 1.27% | | |
| NRG Energy, Inc. (A) | 67 | 1,566 |
| Industrial Gases – 1.17% | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. | 29 | 1,434 |
| Integrated Oil & Gas – 5.60% | | |
| BP p.l.c., ADR | 38 | 1,774 |
| Exxon Mobil Corporation | 64 | 5,114 |
| | | <u>6,888</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 71.

The Investments of Dividend Opportunities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Integrated Telecommunication Services – 0.48% | | |
| Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc. | 41 | \$ 590 |
| Multi-Utilities – 1.15% | | |
| Dominion Resources, Inc. | 39 | 1,409 |
| Office REITs – 0.74% | | |
| Douglas Emmett, Inc. | 70 | 912 |
| Oil & Gas Drilling – 0.42% | | |
| Transocean Inc. (A) | 11 | 519 |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 5.57% | | |
| Halliburton Company | 50 | 906 |
| National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (A) | 49 | 1,201 |
| Schlumberger Limited | 68 | 2,899 |
| Smith International, Inc. | 44 | 1,003 |
| Weatherford International Ltd. (A) | 78 | 848 |
| | | <u>6,857</u> |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 2.98% | | |
| Apache Corporation | 28 | 2,114 |
| XTO Energy Inc. | 44 | 1,550 |
| | | <u>3,664</u> |
| Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation – 2.82% | | |
| El Paso Pipeline Partners, L.P. | 81 | 1,271 |
| Enbridge Inc. | 32 | 1,050 |
| NuStar GP Holdings, LLC | 65 | 1,148 |
| | | <u>3,469</u> |
| Other Diversified Financial Services – 3.12% | | |
| Bank of America Corporation | 39 | 548 |
| J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. | 105 | 3,297 |
| | | <u>3,845</u> |
| Pharmaceuticals – 3.62% | | |
| Abbott Laboratories | 84 | 4,459 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 71.

The Investments of Dividend Opportunities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|------------------|
| Property & Casualty Insurance – 2.59% | | |
| ACE Limited | 26 | \$ 1,399 |
| Allstate Corporation (The) | 18 | 573 |
| Travelers Companies, Inc. (The) | 27 | 1,214 |
| | | <u>3,186</u> |
| Railroads – 3.26% | | |
| Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation | 20 | 1,535 |
| Union Pacific Corporation | 52 | 2,472 |
| | | <u>4,007</u> |
| Restaurants – 1.89% | | |
| McDonald's Corporation | 37 | 2,324 |
| Semiconductors – 2.17% | | |
| Microchip Technology Incorporated | 137 | 2,678 |
| Soft Drinks – 3.80% | | |
| Coca-Cola Company (The) | 52 | 2,338 |
| PepsiCo, Inc. | 43 | 2,343 |
| | | <u>4,681</u> |
| Specialized Finance – 2.56% | | |
| CME Group Inc. | 10 | 2,107 |
| IntercontinentalExchange, Inc. (A) | 13 | 1,043 |
| | | <u>3,150</u> |
| Steel – 1.21% | | |
| Nucor Corporation | 32 | 1,490 |
| Systems Software – 1.24% | | |
| Microsoft Corporation | 78 | 1,522 |
| Tobacco – 5.57% | | |
| Lorillard, Inc. | 55 | 3,100 |
| Philip Morris International Inc. | 86 | 3,755 |
| | | <u>6,855</u> |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 89.38% | | \$109,957 |
| (Cost: \$135,824) | | |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 71.

The Investments of Dividend Opportunities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Commercial Paper | | |
| AT&T Inc., 0.180%, 2-12-09 | \$2,500 | \$ 2,500 |
| Caterpillar Inc., 0.160%, 1-26-09 | 5,000 | 4,999 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1-5-09 | 1,333 | 1,333 |
| McCormick & Co. Inc., 0.150%, 1-2-09 | 500 | 500 |
| Sara Lee Corporation, 1.500%, 1-16-09 | 1,200 | 1,199 |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation, 0.550%, 1-28-09 | 2,000 | 1,999 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 10.18% | | \$ 12,530 |
| (Cost: \$12,530) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.56% | | \$122,487 |
| (Cost: \$148,354) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.44% | | 539 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$123,026 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

The following acronym is used throughout this portfolio:

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

Industry classifications are unaudited.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

DIVIDEND OPPORTUNITIES

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$148,354) | \$122,487 |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Dividends and interest | 302 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 253 |
| Total assets | <u>123,043</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Accrued accounting services fee | 5 |
| Accrued management fee | 2 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 2 |
| Accrued service fee | 1 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 7 |
| Total liabilities | <u>17</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$123,026</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 24 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 153,824 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 1,363 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (6,318) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (25,867) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$123,026</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 5.1114</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 24,069 |
| Capital shares authorized | 50,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

DIVIDEND OPPORTUNITIES

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$10) | \$ 2,235 |
| Interest and amortization | 246 |
| Total income | <u>2,481</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Investment management fee | 876 |
| Service fee | 313 |
| Accounting services fee | 61 |
| Audit fees | 11 |
| Custodian fees | 10 |
| Legal fees | 5 |
| Shareholder servicing | 1 |
| Other | 56 |
| Total expenses | <u>1,333</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>1,148</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Realized net loss on investments | (6,271) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | (51,212) |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(57,483)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(56,335)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

DIVIDEND OPPORTUNITIES

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 1,148 | \$ 1,316 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (6,271) | 806 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (51,212) | 13,278 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (56,335) | 15,400 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (134) | (1,000) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (245) | (900) |
| | (379) | (1,900) |
| Capital share transactions | 59,139 | 26,039 |
| Total increase | 2,425 | 39,539 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 120,601 | 81,062 |
| End of period | \$123,026 | \$120,601 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | \$ 1,363 | \$ 332 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 11,200 | 3,812 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 77 | 237 |
| Shares redeemed | (2,280) | (615) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | 8,997 | 3,434 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 73,540 | \$ 28,803 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 379 | 1,900 |
| Value redeemed | (14,780) | (4,664) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | \$ 59,139 | \$ 26,039 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

DIVIDEND OPPORTUNITIES

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$8.0015 | \$6.9651 | \$6.1121 | \$5.4645 | \$5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | 0.0391 | 0.0881 | 0.0857 | 0.0643 | 0.0337 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain | | | | | |
| (loss) on | | | | | |
| investments | (2.9133) | 1.0765 | 0.8867 | 0.6476 | 0.4645 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (2.8742) | 1.1646 | 0.9724 | 0.7119 | 0.4982 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income | (0.0056) | (0.0675) | (0.0849) | (0.0643) | (0.0337) |
| Capital gains | (0.0103) | (0.0607) | (0.0345) | — | — |
| Total distributions | (0.0159) | (0.1282) | (0.1194) | (0.0643) | (0.0337) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$5.1114 | \$8.0015 | \$6.9651 | \$6.1121 | \$5.4645 |
| Total return | -35.91% | 16.72% | 15.91% | 13.03% | 9.96% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$123 | \$121 | \$81 | \$43 | \$17 |
| Ratio of expenses to | | | | | |
| average net assets | | | | | |
| including expense | | | | | |
| waiver | 1.07% | 1.04% | 1.07% | 0.93% | 0.76% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.92% | 1.29% | 1.63% | 1.53% | 2.08% |
| Ratio of expenses to | | | | | |
| average net assets | | | | | |
| excluding expense | | | | | |
| waiver | 1.07% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.04% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.07% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.12% | 1.46% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.92% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.29% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.63% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.34% | 1.38% |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 35% | 17% | 17% | 22% | 22% |

(1) There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

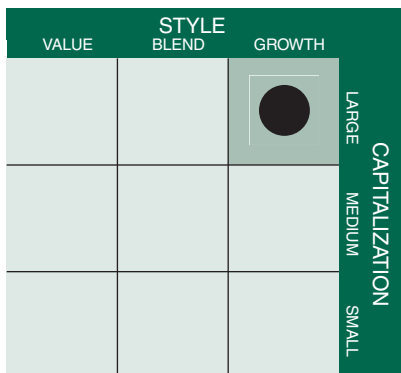
Managers' Discussion of Growth

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, Philip J. Sanders, CFA, and Daniel P. Becker, CFA, portfolio managers of Ivy Funds VIP Growth, discuss positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. Mr. Sanders has managed the Portfolio for 10 years and has 20 years of industry experience, while Mr. Becker has managed the Portfolio for 2 years and has 20 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

| Fiscal year performance | |
|--|----------------|
| For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008 | |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth | -36.27% |
| Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category | |
| Russell 1000 Growth Index | -38.44% |
| (reflects the performance of securities that represent the large-cap growth market) | |
| Lipper Variable Annuity Large-Cap Growth Funds Universe Average | -41.68% |
| (generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives) | |

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

Health care helped our results

Amid the worst market environment in more than 70 years, stocks experienced significant and broad-based declines due to the widespread global credit crisis and economic downturn. While we are disappointed by the magnitude of the Portfolio's decline in 2008, it did manage to modestly outperform its benchmark. We also compared favorably to our Lipper peer group of other large-cap growth portfolios. The Portfolio's relative performance was driven by a combination of

stock selection and sector allocation decisions. Most significantly, the Portfolio benefited from an overweighting and strong stock selection in the health care sector. While the health care sector's defensive attributes allowed health care stocks in general to hold up much better than the overall market, several key holdings were particularly strong performers. Consumer staples were also a source of positive relative performance as the Portfolio benefited from both a healthy weighting and favorable stock selection in this sector. These factors helped

to offset the negative impact of disappointing performance from some key technology and energy holdings during the period.

Clearly, the Portfolio's return was negatively impacted by the global bear market that emerged in 2008. What originally began as a U.S.-centric subprime crisis emerged into a full-blown global credit crisis and economic downturn. Furthermore, investor confidence was profoundly shaken by the historic collapse of leading financial institutions such as Bear Stearns and Lehman Brothers. These negative developments became especially pronounced in the second half of the year as economic data across a broad range of measures turned decidedly negative. Tighter credit availability, continued weakness in the housing market and rising unemployment all weighed on consumer and business confidence; this led to a significant pullback in consumer spending and business capital expenditures, resulting in a steadily deteriorating corporate profit outlook. Against this grim backdrop, no sectors or investment styles were left unscathed as most major equity indices declined between 30–50 percent for the year.

Our strategy was consistent

Our investment strategy has remained consistent over time, and continues to focus on identifying what we feel are dominant companies that we believe can take a durable

competitive advantage and sustain high levels of profitability, revenue and earnings growth over the long term. Despite the current difficult market environment, we remain steadfast in our conviction regarding the merits of our investment philosophy and process. In our view, this strategy should continue to serve the Portfolio's investors well into the future.

Our primary area of emphasis over the past year was the health care sector due to the more defensive nature of its growth characteristics. In addition to being inherently less economically sensitive, several of our key holdings possessed strong individual product cycles that allowed these companies to drive solid growth, even in the face of a declining economy. Also of particular interest in the first half of the year, were leading U.S. multinationals positioned to benefit from stronger growth overseas. As the economic downturn became global in nature, we significantly reduced our exposure to the more economically-sensitive of these holdings, and that had a positive impact on the Portfolio's relative performance in the second half of the year. The primary areas where the Portfolio was underweighted throughout the year were the consumer discretionary and technology sectors, due to the myriad of headwinds facing U.S. consumers and businesses.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Colgate-Palmolive Company | Consumer Staples |
| Abbott Laboratories | Health Care |
| Genentech, Inc. | Health Care |
| Gilead Sciences, Inc. | Health Care |
| Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. | Consumer Staples |
| Monsanto Company | Materials |
| QUALCOMM Incorporated | Information Technology |
| Hewlett-Packard Company | Information Technology |
| Apple Inc. | Information Technology |
| Wells Fargo & Company | Financials |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

Our outlook

The equity market continues to struggle under the weight of a global economic downturn and a deteriorating corporate profit outlook. Current indicators suggest we are in the midst of one of the weakest economies in decades. Past aggressive Federal Reserve policy actions have helped to some extent, but their benefit is largely being offset by countervailing forces such as declining home values, plunging consumer and business confidence, and a weakening employment outlook. Consequently, we expect the markets to remain challenging, and somewhat volatile, in the months ahead as investors struggle to gauge the depth and duration of the current economic downturn. However, we believe valuations have become

increasingly attractive, and the underlying fundamentals for the market are slowly improving.

Our current portfolio strategy is relatively balanced between maintaining solid exposure to defensive growth sectors (health care) and increasingly seeking opportunities to play more “offense” (technology, consumer discretionary, financials) in order to position the Portfolio for the eventual market recovery. We continue to believe that the pace of any U.S. economic recovery is likely to be relatively modest by historical standards given the tighter credit environment we envision going forward, thereby lending additional support to our investment style, which favors what we believe to be high-quality, sustainable growth companies possessing structural advantages in the marketplace.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

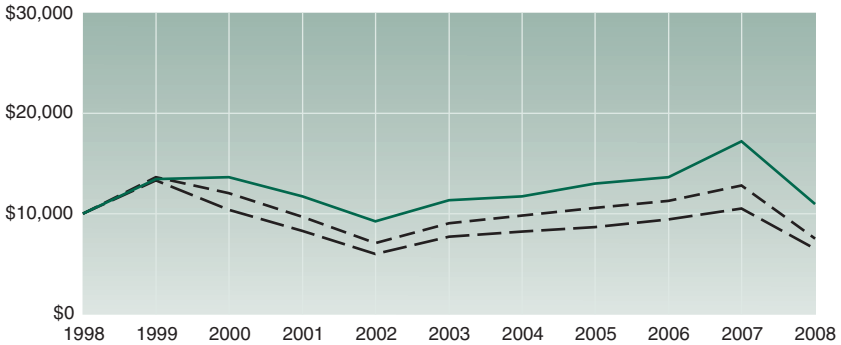
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio managers and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The managers' views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP Growth.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Growth ⁽¹⁾ | \$10,939 |
| --- | Russell 1000 Growth Index | \$ 6,470 |
| - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Large-Cap Growth Funds Universe Average | \$ 7,472 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -36.27% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | -0.65% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 0.90% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF GROWTH

Portfolio Highlights

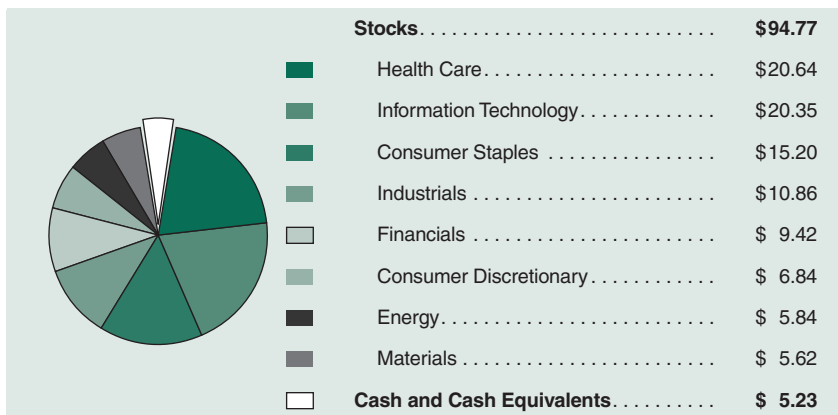
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On December 31, 2008, Growth had net assets totaling \$757,045 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 94.30% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 5.23% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 0.47% | Foreign Common Stocks |

Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Aerospace & Defense – 7.95% | | |
| General Dynamics Corporation | 258 | \$ 14,835 |
| Lockheed Martin Corporation | 241 | 20,280 |
| Raytheon Company | 368 | 18,758 |
| United Technologies Corporation | 118 | 6,298 |
| | | <u>60,171</u> |
| Air Freight & Logistics – 0.34% | | |
| Expeditors International of Washington, Inc. | 78 | 2,578 |
| Asset Management & Custody Banks – 0.47% | | |
| T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. | 100 | 3,544 |
| Biotechnology – 10.59% | | |
| Genentech, Inc. (A) | 440 | 36,481 |
| Genzyme Corporation (A) | 110 | 7,301 |
| Gilead Sciences, Inc. (A) | 711 | 36,350 |
| | | <u>80,132</u> |
| Communications Equipment – 6.45% | | |
| Cisco Systems, Inc. (A) | 761 | 12,398 |
| QUALCOMM Incorporated | 867 | 31,064 |
| Research In Motion Limited (A) | 132 | 5,361 |
| | | <u>48,823</u> |
| Computer Hardware – 7.66% | | |
| Apple Inc. (A) | 316 | 26,970 |
| Hewlett-Packard Company | 855 | 31,028 |
| | | <u>57,998</u> |
| Construction & Farm Machinery & Heavy Trucks – 1.75% | | |
| Deere & Company | 346 | 13,259 |
| Data Processing & Outsourced Services – 2.27% | | |
| MasterCard Incorporated, Class A | 41 | 5,789 |
| Visa Inc., Class A | 217 | 11,355 |
| | | <u>17,144</u> |
| Department Stores – 1.58% | | |
| Kohl's Corporation (A) | 330 | 11,957 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 84.

The Investments of Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Diversified Banks – 3.41% | | |
| Wells Fargo & Company | 875 | \$ 25,795 |
| Electrical Components & Equipment – 0.82% | | |
| Emerson Electric Co. | 170 | 6,216 |
| Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals – 4.12% | | |
| Monsanto Company | 443 | 31,151 |
| Health Care Equipment – 3.47% | | |
| Baxter International Inc. | 385 | 20,632 |
| Medtronic, Inc. | 180 | 5,656 |
| | | <u>26,288</u> |
| Health Care Supplies – 0.53% | | |
| DENTSPLY International Inc. | 143 | 4,024 |
| Home Entertainment Software – 0.40% | | |
| Activision Blizzard, Inc. (A) | 350 | 3,024 |
| Home Improvement Retail – 0.47% | | |
| Lowe's Companies, Inc. | 165 | 3,551 |
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| Colgate-Palmolive Company | 560 | 38,383 |
| Procter & Gamble Company (The) | 55 | 3,400 |
| | | <u>41,783</u> |
| Hypermarkets & Super Centers – 5.86% | | |
| Costco Wholesale Corporation | 183 | 9,581 |
| Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. | 620 | 34,757 |
| | | <u>44,338</u> |
| Industrial Gases – 0.78% | | |
| Praxair, Inc. | 100 | 5,936 |
| Internet Software & Services – 1.95% | | |
| Google Inc., Class A (A) | 48 | 14,755 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 84.

The Investments of Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|------------------|
| Investment Banking & Brokerage – 1.12% | | |
| Charles Schwab Corporation (The) | 115 | \$ 1,859 |
| Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (The) | 79 | 6,649 |
| | | <u>8,508</u> |
| Life Sciences Tools & Services – 1.07% | | |
| Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. (A) | 237 | 8,088 |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 5.84% | | |
| National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (A) | 303 | 7,393 |
| Schlumberger Limited | 446 | 18,862 |
| Smith International, Inc. | 488 | 11,166 |
| Weatherford International Ltd. (A) | 630 | 6,817 |
| | | <u>44,238</u> |
| Other Diversified Financial Services – 2.02% | | |
| J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. | 484 | 15,274 |
| Pharmaceuticals – 4.98% | | |
| Abbott Laboratories | 707 | 37,722 |
| Restaurants – 4.79% | | |
| McDonald's Corporation | 363 | 22,544 |
| YUM! Brands, Inc. | 436 | 13,724 |
| | | <u>36,268</u> |
| Semiconductors – 1.62% | | |
| Microchip Technology Incorporated | 629 | 12,277 |
| Soft Drinks – 3.82% | | |
| Coca-Cola Company (The) | 367 | 16,623 |
| PepsiCo, Inc. | 225 | 12,323 |
| | | <u>28,946</u> |
| Specialized Finance – 2.40% | | |
| CME Group Inc. | 49 | 10,135 |
| IntercontinentalExchange, Inc. (A) | 98 | 8,038 |
| | | <u>18,173</u> |
| Specialty Chemicals – 0.72% | | |
| Ecolab Inc. | 155 | 5,455 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 94.77% | | \$717,416 |
| (Cost: \$745,708) | | |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 84.

The Investments of Growth

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Caterpillar Inc., 0.160%, 1-26-09 | \$15,000 | \$ 14,998 |
| Heinz (H.J.) Finance Co. (Heinz (H.J.) Co.), 4.550%, 1-8-09 | 3,022 | 3,019 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1-5-09 | 1,667 | 1,667 |
| PepsiCo, Inc., 0.100%, 1-28-09 | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Praxair Inc., 0.120%, 2-17-09 | 4,800 | 4,799 |
| Procter & Gamble International Funding S.C.A. (Procter & Gamble Company (The)), 0.235%, 1-8-09 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Sara Lee Corporation: 1.250%, 1-7-09 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| 1.000%, 1-9-09 | 2,000 | 1,999 |
| Siemens Capital Corp., 0.150%, 1-8-09 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 5.41% | | \$ 40,982 |
| (Cost: \$40,982) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 100.18% | | \$758,398 |
| (Cost: \$786,690) | | |
| LIABILITIES, NET OF CASH AND OTHER ASSETS – (0.18%) | | (1,353) |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$757,045 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

Industry classifications are unaudited

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

GROWTH

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$786,690) | \$758,398 |
| Cash | 2 |
| Receivables: | |
| Investment securities sold | 2,589 |
| Dividends and interest | 1,076 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 515 |
| Prepaid and other assets | 1 |
| Total assets | <u>762,581</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 5,059 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 334 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 16 |
| Accrued management fee | 14 |
| Accrued service fee | 5 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | 2 |
| Other | 106 |
| Total liabilities | <u>5,536</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$757,045</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 100 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 810,131 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 2,896 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (27,790) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (28,292) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$757,045</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 7.5529</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 100,232 |
| Capital shares authorized | 235,000 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

GROWTH

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|---|---------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$119) | \$ 11,956 |
| Interest and amortization | 1,202 |
| Total income | <u>13,158</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investment management fee | 7,318 |
| Service fee | 2,629 |
| Accounting services fee | 236 |
| Legal fees | 41 |
| Custodian fees | 36 |
| Audit fees | 15 |
| Shareholder servicing | 10 |
| Other | 180 |
| Total | <u>10,465</u> |
| Less expenses in excess of limit | (295) |
| Total expenses | <u>10,170</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>2,988</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|---------------------------|
| Realized net gain on investments | 18,776 |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | (469,869) |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(451,093)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(448,105)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

GROWTH

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|--------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income (loss) | \$ 2,988 | \$ (83) |
| Realized net gain on investments | 18,776 | 84,897 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (469,869) | 197,151 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (448,105) | 281,965 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | — | (14) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (10,490) | (30,000) |
| | (10,490) | (30,014) |
| Capital share transactions | (89,150) | (124,146) |
| Total increase (decrease) | (547,745) | 127,805 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 1,304,790 | 1,176,985 |
| End of period | \$ 757,045 | \$ 1,304,790 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income (loss) | \$ 2,896 | \$ (92) |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 7,593 | 4,083 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 1,433 | 2,496 |
| Shares redeemed | (17,312) | (18,391) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital shares | (8,286) | (11,812) |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 74,487 | \$ 44,207 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 10,490 | 30,014 |
| Value redeemed | (174,127) | (198,367) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital | \$ (89,150) | \$ (124,146) |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

GROWTH

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|----------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$12.0237 | \$ 9.7813 | \$9.3125 | \$8.3728 | \$8.1267 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income (loss) | 0.0297 | (0.0008) | (0.0001) | (0.0029) | 0.0228 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain | | | | | |
| (loss) on | | | | | |
| investments | (4.3944) | 2.5262 | 0.4689 | 0.9429 | 0.2460 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (4.3647) | 2.5254 | 0.4688 | 0.9400 | 0.2688 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income . . . | — | (0.0001) | — | (0.0003) | (0.0227) |
| Capital gains | (0.1061) | (0.2829) | — | — | — |
| Total distributions | (0.1061) | (0.2830) | — | (0.0003) | (0.0227) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$ 7.5529 | \$12.0237 | \$9.7813 | \$9.3125 | \$8.3728 |
| Total return | -36.27% | 25.81% | 5.04% | 11.23% | 3.31% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$757 | \$1,305 | \$1,177 | \$1,252 | \$1,252 |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.97% | 0.97% | 0.99% | 1.00% | 1.00% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income (loss) to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.29% | -0.01% | 0.00% | -0.03% | 0.27% |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.00% | 0.99% | 1.00% | 1.00% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.00% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income (loss) to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.26% | -0.03% | -0.01% | -0.03% ⁽¹⁾ | 0.27% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 53% | 42% | 67% | 59% | 81% |

(1)There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

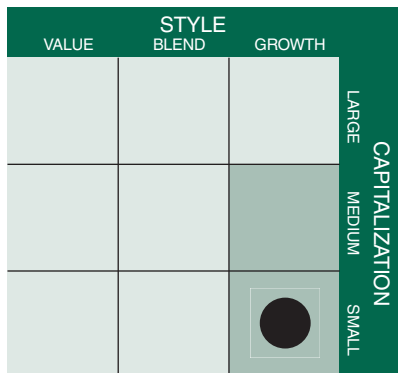
Managers' Discussion of Micro Cap Growth *(Unaudited)*

December 31, 2008



Ivy Funds VIP Micro Cap Growth is subadvised by Wall Street Associates.

Below, William Jeffery III, Kenneth F. McCain, Paul J. Ariano, CFA, Paul K. LeCoq and Carl Weise, CFA, portfolio managers of Ivy Funds VIP Micro Cap Growth, discuss the Portfolio's positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar



Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP Micro Cap Growth -48.04%

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

Russell 2000 Growth Index -38.56%

(generally reflects the performance of smaller company stocks)

**Lipper Variable Annuity Small-Cap Growth Funds
Universe Average** -41.12%

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)



Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.



A disappointing year

We are disappointed that the Portfolio lost significantly more money than both its benchmark and its Lipper peer group this past fiscal year. Investments in the technology sector were the greatest detractors from performance for the fiscal year, as demand for products fell precipitously during the year. Consumer and energy stocks faced a difficult environment, especially since this past summer. Health care stocks performed well on a relative basis, but still fell sharply for the year.

We believe it is important to note that the smallest stocks in the benchmark produced the worst returns during the fiscal year. In fact, micro-cap growth stocks were the worst performing size/style segment in the U.S. equity market in calendar year 2008. Much of the damage occurred in the fourth quarter, as nearly every asset class experienced massive liquidation and panic selling. This turned 2008's bear market into a near record stock market crash.

A barrage of grim economic news and reports of corporate failure spooked investors. Unemployment rates increased, retail sales fell, new home sales hit fresh lows, and consumer prices declined to levels that brought on deflation fears. There was no place to hide for most investors. The extremely complex financial crisis continued to deteriorate confidence and led to a conflagration of failures, which reached places in the financial world that none previously thought could be threatened. Hedge funds and hedge funds-of-funds, anticipating large year-end redemptions, sold positions indiscriminately to raise cash. Credit markets did not thaw and the VIX (volatility) index, a measure of investor uncertainty, spiked dramatically to its highest level of the year before backing down considerably in December.

Energy stocks led the decline

The Portfolio's structure in much of 2008 reflected several long-term themes. One of our most dominant relative overweight target exposures continues to be in the energy sector, with particular emphasis on oil & gas drilling, service, exploration, production, infrastructure building, and associated technologies. While recently impacted by intense deleveraging and near-term slackening demand, we believe these groups are tied to a secular infrastructure boom in the developed and emerging nations. Although episodes of short-run softness – cyclical declines – can and will occur, our view is that in the long-run, demand for energy/commodities will be strong. We continue to focus on investing in energy companies at industry chokepoints – e.g.,

onshore and offshore drilling operators, equipment suppliers, power transmission and distribution companies, and engineering & construction firms with strong backlog growth rates. We believe that all of these areas are where the barriers to entry are highest, the fundamentals are most powerful, and the earnings visibility extends well into the next decade – regardless of the point in the oil price cycle. While near-term risks exist, we feel the long-term fundamental outlook is very good.

Many of the same short- and long-term factors that drive the energy markets have also impacted materials and processing stocks. While short-run cyclical declines have negatively impacted the performance of these issues, we still see a strong secular infrastructure and commodities cycle ahead resulting directly from the emerging markets industrialization effort. We believe that this could eventually create a profitable opportunity for engineering and construction companies leveraged toward energy and infrastructure, engineering components, water projects, and manufacturers of pipeline and dredging machinery. These companies appear to be experiencing strong revenue and earnings growth with large and growing backlogs in areas where demand continues to outstrip supply. We continue to have a position in this sector because we believe it will recover in the long run.

We also believe health care companies will become important contributors to long-term performance. We think there is a clear fundamental positive case for healthcare companies as many are experiencing high relative profitability, attractive valuations and improving profit margins. Demographic trends, revenue increases, and increased budgets are all positive factors for healthcare technology, equipment, services and pharmaceutical companies. The medical technology, equipment, device and diagnostics companies we find most attractive are in the midst of ramping product cycles and are experiencing robust earnings growth as a result of their “razor/razor-blade” operating models. Biotechnology companies should continue to see above-average

prospects, in our opinion, as they experience a greater share of new drug approvals. On a relative basis, investments in the health care sector performed well during the difficult environment in 2008.

Many factors continue to negatively impact household budgets, making stock selection extremely challenging and important within the consumer discretionary sector. As this is a difficult time for consumer-related stocks, we remain very cautious and continue to maintain a below-benchmark target weighting versus comparable benchmarks in this sector, although we are not void of exposure to the sector. We favor higher-end niche retailers with the strongest fundamentals and growth prospects. The companies most attractive to us are those with rapidly expanding consumer products and high unit growth rates, as well as Internet-based versions of traditional industries like online education providers, advertising, retail and digital media which allow businesses to enhance productivity and to lower costs. While we have currently under-weighted our exposure to this area, we are mindful that this group is often an early leader coming out of an economic slowdown.

Technology continues to see a strong and diverse thematic influence within its sub-industry groups, yet capital expenditures have decelerated as the economy has slowed. We've therefore built software and hardware-related positions that we expect to benefit from outsourcing, security, data storage, business redundancy, disaster preparedness and digitization trends. We believe companies which provide online marketing services,

innovative marketing communications, brand advertising consulting, and website hosting services will benefit as the industry's market-share shifts. Valuation measures for these technology groups are now extremely attractive, and we continue to target an overweight position versus comparable benchmarks in this sector. Our view here is that expectations for technology groups remain low and selected companies are likely to exceed analysts' forecasts.

Our outlook

We have experienced significant drops in all of the major equity indices due to unprecedented stresses to the credit markets and our financial system. However, we believe the possible passage of federal stimulus legislation, coordinated monetary policy interventions and the incoming Obama administration's efforts should help to relieve some of the near-term stress, bring back investor confidence and return some stability to the financial system. We feel that much of the recent economic upheaval has been reflected in stock prices, which we believe are trading at attractive valuations. As we continue to transition through this crisis, we believe company fundamentals will again become the primary driver for stock market action and a positive scenario for small and mid cap growth stocks will unfold. Historically, periods of financial crisis and market downturn have been the precursor to a period of strong stock market performance, led by growth stocks. We have therefore positioned the Portfolio actively and optimistically.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Questcor Pharmaceuticals, Inc. | Health Care |
| CommVault Systems, Inc. | Information Technology |
| Quidel Corporation | Health Care |
| Auxilium Pharmaceuticals, Inc. | Health Care |
| NuVasive, Inc. | Health Care |
| Phase Forward Incorporated | Health Care |
| Ultralife Corporation | Industrials |
| ABIOMED, Inc. | Health Care |
| Titan Machinery Inc. | Industrials |
| Genoptix, Inc. | Health Care |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Investing in micro cap stocks may carry more risk than investing in stocks of larger, more established companies. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

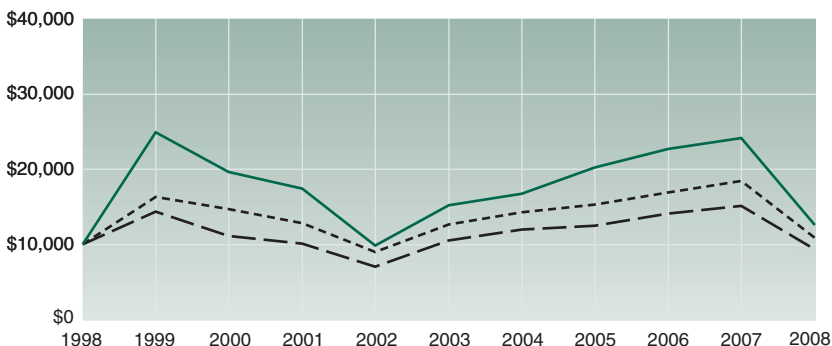
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio managers and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The managers' views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP Micro Cap Growth.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Micro Cap Growth ⁽¹⁾ | \$12,523 |
| - - - | Russell 2000 Growth Index | \$ 9,270 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Small-Cap Growth Funds Universe Average | \$10,853 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -48.04% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | -3.74% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 2.27% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

The Advantus Micro-Cap Growth Portfolio was reorganized as Ivy Funds VIP Micro Cap Growth (formerly W&R Micro Cap Growth Portfolio) on September 22, 2003. Performance shown for the period prior to this date is the performance of the Advantus Micro-Cap Growth Portfolio. This performance has not been restated to reflect the expenses of Ivy Funds VIP Micro Cap Growth. If those expenses were reflected, performance of Ivy Funds VIP Micro Cap Growth would differ.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF MICRO CAP GROWTH

Portfolio Highlights

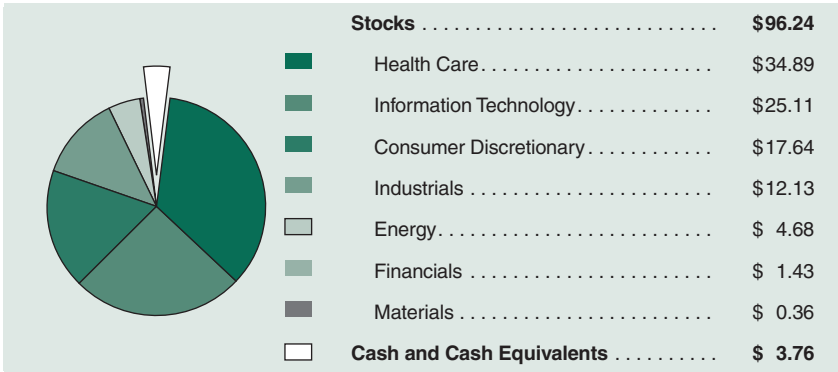
(Unaudited)

On December 31, 2008, Micro Cap Growth had net assets totaling \$28,309 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 92.86% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 3.76% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 3.38% | Foreign Common Stocks |

Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Micro Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|--------|
| Advertising – 0.83% | | |
| MDC Partners Inc., Class A (A) | 77 | \$ 234 |
| Apparel Retail – 1.51% | | |
| Citi Trends Inc. (A) | 29 | 428 |
| Apparel, Accessories & Luxury Goods – 2.50% | | |
| True Religion Apparel, Inc. (A) | 36 | 451 |
| Volcom, Inc. (A) | 24 | 257 |
| | | 708 |
| Application Software – 6.47% | | |
| Blackbaud, Inc. | 28 | 373 |
| Guidance Software, Inc. (A) | 33 | 135 |
| Lawson Software, Inc. (A) | 61 | 291 |
| NetScout Systems, Inc. (A) | 50 | 429 |
| OPNET Technologies, Inc. (A) | 4 | 42 |
| Ultimate Software Group, Inc. (The) (A) | 39 | 562 |
| | | 1,832 |
| Auto Parts & Equipment – 1.48% | | |
| Amerigon Incorporated (A) | 60 | 194 |
| Westport Innovations Inc. (A) | 44 | 226 |
| | | 420 |
| Biotechnology – 5.00% | | |
| Allos Therapeutics, Inc. (A) | 73 | 447 |
| Dyax Corp. (A) | 70 | 256 |
| InterMune, Inc. (A) | 40 | 426 |
| Pharmasset, Inc. (A) | 22 | 285 |
| | | 1,414 |
| Broadcasting – 2.94% | | |
| DG FastChannel, Inc. (A) | 40 | 503 |
| Global Traffic Network, Inc. (A) | 56 | 328 |
| | | 831 |
| Cable & Satellite – 1.10% | | |
| RRSat Global Communications Network Ltd. | 27 | 312 |
| Catalog Retail – 0.34% | | |
| Gaiam, Inc., Class A (A) | 21 | 97 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 99.

The Investments of Micro Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------|
| Communications Equipment – 2.47% | | |
| Blue Coat Systems, Inc. (A) | 20 | \$ 165 |
| Cogo Group, Inc. (A) | 33 | 162 |
| Neutral Tandem, Inc. (A) | 23 | 371 |
| | | 698 |
| Computer Storage & Peripherals – 0.90% | | |
| Compellent Technologies, Inc. (A) | 26 | 254 |
| Construction & Engineering – 1.10% | | |
| Orion Marine Group, Inc. (A) | 32 | 311 |
| Construction & Farm Machinery & Heavy Trucks – 2.08% | | |
| Titan Machinery Inc. (A) | 42 | 588 |
| Distributors – 1.80% | | |
| DXP Enterprises, Inc. (A) | 35 | 508 |
| Diversified Real Estate Activities – 0.26% | | |
| Grubb & Ellis Company | 59 | 74 |
| Education Services – 1.77% | | |
| Grand Canyon Education, Inc. (A) | 27 | 501 |
| Electrical Components & Equipment – 4.72% | | |
| Powell Industries, Inc. (A) | 19 | 548 |
| POWER-ONE, INC. (A) | 85 | 101 |
| Ultralife Corporation (A) | 51 | 687 |
| | | 1,336 |
| Environmental & Facilities Services – 0.35% | | |
| Metalico, Inc. (A) | 65 | 100 |
| Health Care Equipment – 12.05% | | |
| ABIOMED, Inc. (A) | 41 | 667 |
| Greatbatch, Inc. (A) | 11 | 283 |
| Micrus Endovascular Corporation (A) | 25 | 287 |
| NuVasive, Inc. (A) | 22 | 745 |
| Quidel Corporation (A) | 58 | 763 |
| Somanetics Corporation (A) | 25 | 419 |
| Spectranetics Corporation (The) (A) | 94 | 246 |
| | | 3,410 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 99.

The Investments of Micro Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Health Care Services – 4.21% | | |
| athenahealth, Inc. (A) | 3 | \$ 117 |
| CardioNet, Inc. (A) | 10 | 239 |
| Genoptix, Inc. (A) | 17 | 566 |
| Health Grades, Inc. (A) | 131 | 269 |
| | | <u>1,191</u> |
| Health Care Supplies – 1.30% | | |
| Rochester Medical Corporation (A) | 24 | 369 |
| Health Care Technology – 2.55% | | |
| Phase Forward Incorporated (A) | 58 | 722 |
| Industrial Machinery – 0.68% | | |
| Graham Corporation | 18 | 192 |
| Internet Software & Services – 4.89% | | |
| comScore, Inc. (A) | 19 | 237 |
| Constant Contact, Inc. (A) | 23 | 303 |
| Omniure, Inc. (A) | 39 | 414 |
| Vocus, Inc. (A) | 24 | 430 |
| | | <u>1,384</u> |
| Investment Banking & Brokerage – 1.17% | | |
| RiskMetrics Group, Inc. (A) | 22 | 332 |
| IT Consulting & Other Services – 0.68% | | |
| RightNow Technologies, Inc. (A) | 25 | 194 |
| Life Sciences Tools & Services – 0.66% | | |
| Bruker Corporation (A) | 47 | 188 |
| Movies & Entertainment – 2.01% | | |
| Rentrak Corporation (A) | 37 | 436 |
| RHI Entertainment, Inc. (A) | 17 | 134 |
| | | <u>570</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 99.

The Investments of Micro Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------|
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 4.08% | | |
| ENGlobal Corporation (A) | 69 | \$ 224 |
| NATCO Group Inc., Class A (A) | 29 | 440 |
| Natural Gas Services Group, Inc. (A) | 23 | 237 |
| T–3 Energy Services, Inc. (A) | 27 | 254 |
| | | 1,155 |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 0.60% | | |
| Brigham Exploration Company (A) | 53 | 170 |
| Pharmaceuticals – 9.12% | | |
| Auxilium Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (A) | 27 | 756 |
| Obagi Medical Products, Inc. (A) | 46 | 345 |
| Penwest Pharmaceuticals Co. (A) | 60 | 94 |
| Questcor Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (A) | 123 | 1,148 |
| SuperGen, Inc. (A) | 125 | 239 |
| | | 2,582 |
| Research & Consulting Services – 0.98% | | |
| Hill International, Inc. (A) | 39 | 277 |
| Restaurants – 1.36% | | |
| McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurants, Inc. (A) | 26 | 103 |
| Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. (A) | 15 | 249 |
| Ruth's Hospitality Group, Inc. (A) | 24 | 34 |
| | | 386 |
| Semiconductor Equipment – 0.20% | | |
| Mattson Technology, Inc. (A) | 40 | 56 |
| Semiconductors – 3.66% | | |
| Cavium Networks, Inc. (A) | 12 | 129 |
| Mellanox Technologies, Ltd. (A) | 24 | 185 |
| Microtune, Inc. (A) | 119 | 243 |
| NetLogic Microsystems, Inc. (A) | 22 | 478 |
| | | 1,035 |
| Specialty Chemicals – 0.36% | | |
| Flotek Industries, Inc. (A) | 40 | 102 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 99.

The Investments of Micro Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Systems Software – 5.84% | | |
| ArcSight, Inc. (A) | 26 | \$ 205 |
| CommVault Systems, Inc. (A) | 59 | 785 |
| DemandTec, Inc. (A) | 32 | 257 |
| FalconStor Software, Inc. (A) | 36 | 100 |
| Phoenix Technologies Ltd. (A) | 43 | 151 |
| PROS Holdings, Inc. (A) | 27 | 156 |
| | | 1,654 |
| Trucking – 2.22% | | |
| Celadon Group, Inc. (A) | 37 | 311 |
| Marten Transport, Ltd. (A) | 17 | 319 |
| | | 630 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 96.24% | | \$ 27,245 |
| (Cost: \$40,647) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., 0.050%, 1–2–09 | \$ 684 | 684 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1–5–09 | 600 | 600 |
| | | 1,284 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 4.54% | | \$ 1,284 |
| (Cost: \$1,284) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 100.78% | | \$ 28,529 |
| (Cost: \$41,931) | | |
| LIABILITIES, NET OF CASH AND OTHER ASSETS – (0.78%) | | (220) |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$ 28,309 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.
Industry classifications are unaudited

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

MICRO CAP GROWTH

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$41,931) | \$ 28,529 |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Portfolio shares sold | 8 |
| Dividends and interest | —* |
| Total assets | <u>28,538</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 209 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 13 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 2 |
| Accrued management fee | 1 |
| Accrued service fee | —* |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 4 |
| Total liabilities | <u>229</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$ 28,309</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 3 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 44,100 |
| Accumulated loss: | |
| Accumulated net investment loss | (2) |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (2,390) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (13,402) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$ 28,309</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$11.1122</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 2,548 |
| Capital shares authorized | 20,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

MICRO CAP GROWTH

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT LOSS

Income:

| | | |
|---|----|-----------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$3) | \$ | 36 |
| Interest and amortization | | 20 |
| Total income | | <u>56</u> |

Expenses:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------|
| Investment management fee | | 412 |
| Service fee | | 108 |
| Accounting services fee | | 30 |
| Audit fees | | 10 |
| Custodian fees | | 7 |
| Legal fees | | 4 |
| Shareholder servicing | | —* |
| Other | | 17 |
| Total expenses | | <u>588</u> |
| Net investment loss | | <u>(532)</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS

| | | |
|---|--|--------------------------|
| Realized net loss on investments | | (627) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | | (25,974) |
| Net loss on investments | | <u>(26,601)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | | <u><u>\$(27,133)</u></u> |

*Not shown due to rounding.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

MICRO CAP GROWTH

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|-------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment loss | \$ (532) | \$ (715) |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (627) | 3,031 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (25,974) | 1,503 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (27,133) | 3,819 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | — | — |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | — | — |
| | — | — |
| Capital share transactions | (4,134) | (4,369) |
| Total decrease | (31,267) | (550) |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 59,576 | 60,126 |
| End of period | <u>\$28,309</u> | <u>\$59,576</u> |
| Accumulated net investment loss | \$ (2) | \$ (2) |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 282 | 304 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | — | — |
| Shares redeemed | (520) | (512) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital shares | (238) | (208) |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 4,357 | \$ 6,394 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | — | — |
| Value redeemed | (8,491) | (10,763) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital | <u>\$ (4,134)</u> | <u>\$ (4,369)</u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

MICRO CAP GROWTH

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|---|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, beginning of period . . . | \$21.3838 | \$20.0796 | \$17.8866 | \$14.7992 | \$13.4476 |
| Income (loss) from investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment loss | (0.2089) | (0.2565) | (0.2064) | (0.1737) | (0.1794) |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (10.0627) | 1.5607 | 2.3994 | 3.2611 | 1.5310 |
| Total from investment operations | (10.2716) | 1.3042 | 2.1930 | 3.0874 | 1.3516 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Capital gains | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Net asset value, end of period | \$11.1122 | \$21.3838 | \$20.0796 | \$17.8866 | \$14.7992 |
| Total return | -48.04% | 6.49% | 12.26% | 20.87% | 10.05% |
| Net assets, end of period (in millions) | \$28 | \$60 | \$60 | \$53 | \$41 |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets . . . | 1.36% | 1.32% | 1.32% | 1.35% | 1.35% |
| Ratio of net investment loss to average net assets | -1.23% | -1.18% | -1.06% | -1.15% | -1.26% |
| Portfolio turnover rate . . . | 60% | 57% | 60% | 54% | 65% |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

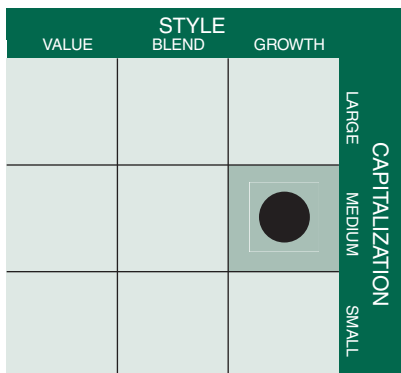
Manager's Discussion of Mid Cap Growth

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, Kimberly A. Scott, CFA, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. She has managed the Portfolio for three years and has 21 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

Fear replaced risk taking

While we are disappointed to have lost money this past fiscal year, we lost less than our benchmark index and the Portfolio's Lipper peer group. Four primary factors contributed to the Portfolio's relative performance: our cash position of 10–15 percent across much of the year; stock selection in the industrials and information technology sectors; and an underweight position in the worst-performing sector (energy) with better-than-average stock performance in that area as well.

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth **-36.23%**

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

Russell Mid-Cap Growth Index **-44.32%**

(generally reflects the performance of securities that represent the mid-cap sector of the stock market)

Lipper Variable Annuity Mid-Cap Growth Funds Universe Average **-45.10%**

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

Many factors contributed to the volatility of 2008, including the stock market reacting violently to the breakdown in the functioning of the financial system, a sharp slowdown in consumer spending activity, increases in joblessness, breathtaking moves higher and then lower in the prices of energy and other commodities, and the overall fear of the U.S. slipping into a severe and protracted recession. Indeed, fear has become reality and extreme risk taking has become extreme risk aversion. The problems are global and the answers are still not clear. What is clear is that governments worldwide will have to continue

to apply both monetary and fiscal stimuli, in addition to other unconventional means of support for the worldwide financial and economic web. As we see it, many businesses in many sectors will fail, or become shadows of what they once were, and consumers will continue to play it safe as the number of available jobs and the value of their assets continue to shrink. We believe that the markets have discounted a lot of this pain, but the rehabilitation period likely will be long. We expect the markets to work their way higher, but we also expect this path to have a very shallow incline with many ups and downs.

We kept cash levels higher than normal

We were hesitant to aggressively invest our cash last year, given our concerns about the troubling dynamics unfolding throughout the credit markets and the economy. As such, our cash levels boosted our performance by about 150 basis points relative to the benchmark. Better-than-average stock selection in the industrials, information technology, health care and financials sectors were also important to our outperformance last year. Part of the benefit in the industrials sector came from some timely sales of stocks that were exposed to the commodities complex. Otherwise, most of our names in industrials declined less than average last year, and a few names even had strong gains. It was a similar story in the information technology sector, with most of our holdings falling less than average against the benchmark and some names performing quite well.

Elsewhere, we were overweight health care, which outperformed the mid-cap growth index last year and where we had some strong stock performances. While we had a few stocks that performed very poorly in the financials sector last year, most of our names in this area were significant outperformers, allowing the sector overall to contribute to the Portfolio's outperformance. Our underweight position in the energy sector, which hampered our performance early in the year, turned out to be the right call, as that sector was the worst performer in the Russell Mid-Cap Growth Index. The stocks that we did own generally performed better than average. Finally, the sector representing the biggest drag on performance in 2008 was consumer discretionary, where our stock selection struggled. We had a number of positive performers that entered the Portfolio late in the year. However, many of our long-term holdings had very negative returns in a group that suffered from a consumer under pressure on many fronts.

Our outlook

The markets enter 2009 with considerable baggage from the excesses of recent years. These included extreme risk taking in the credit markets and oversized bets in the most cyclical areas of the equity market, much of which trading appeared to be related to financial shenanigans supported by free-flowing credit – a vicious cycle which has come to a screeching halt. Layer on that investor angst and mistrust at a level not seen in decades, and you have the recipe for

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| C. R. Bard, Inc. | Health Care |
| Henry Schein, Inc. | Health Care |
| Paychex, Inc. | Information Technology |
| Microchip Technology Incorporated | Information Technology |
| Noble Energy, Inc. | Energy |
| Global Payments Inc. | Information Technology |
| Solera Holdings, Inc. | Information Technology |
| C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. | Industrials |
| DENTSPLY International Inc. | Health Care |
| Fastenal Company | Industrials |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

markets that will likely labor to post sustainable gains throughout the upcoming year. We saw in a hurry in the third and fourth quarters how quickly risk-taking can turn to risk-aversion, when the ineffective functioning of world financial markets delivers economic stress globally

We feel that we are now at the point where markets have discounted a considerable amount of this stress and the related pressure on corporate earnings. The pace at which economies and company earnings can recover remains a big question mark. We believe the job of restoring economic health across most of the globe will be slow, and the underpinnings of better economic health will be tenuous given the uncertain credit market conditions. However, governments worldwide have put into place major support for their financial systems, and the process of developing economic stimulus plans continues, including the forthcoming plan from the new Obama administration in the United States. We believe these actions are beginning to have the intended effect, and we are optimistic that conditions will gradually improve. We are especially optimistic that outside of the United States, China, in particular, is taking important actions to stimulate its economy, which we believe will ultimately have a positive impact worldwide.

However, we are mindful that many risks remain, and that the stock market will likely move in fits and starts as new developments

unfold, both positive and negative. So while we are focused on becoming more offensive in the Portfolio, we are doing so gradually as we assess this complicated environment. We have increased our exposure to both the consumer discretionary and energy sectors over the past few months, while decreasing our health care and cash positions. While we believe that consumer spending is likely to remain under pressure in the near-to-intermediate term due to job losses and steep drops in the value of homes and investment portfolios, many stocks in the consumer discretionary group have sold off sharply, presenting opportunities to invest in some companies that have very appealing franchise value and longer term growth opportunities. We also like the secular appeal of the energy sector, where the long-term scarcity of fossil fuels makes this an attractive area for investment as the cyclical decline in demand passes. We are overweight the information technology sector, as part of our slightly more aggressive stance on the market. We are also overweight the financial sector, but expect to reduce this exposure somewhat given our concerns that these stocks will struggle for some time under the weight of all of the problems those companies must contend with to resurrect their businesses. We anticipate using any proceeds to increase our exposure to other more economically sensitive sectors, such as materials and industrials.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

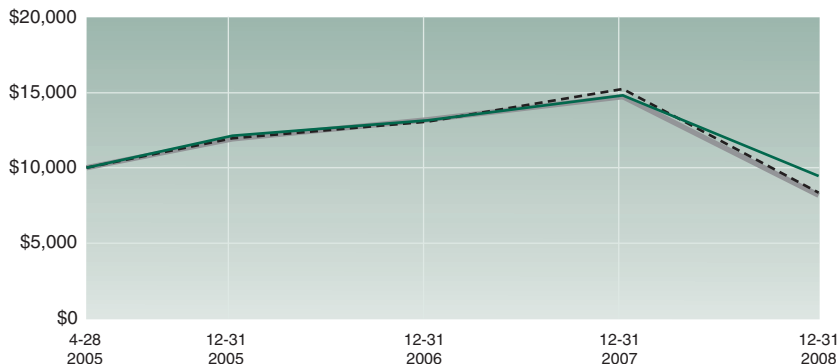
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|---------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth ⁽¹⁾ | \$9,458 |
| — | Russell Mid-Cap Growth Index ⁽²⁾ | \$8,204 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Mid-Cap Growth Funds Universe Average ⁽²⁾ . | \$8,367 |



(1) The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2) Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performance of the above indexes (including income) are not available, investment in the indexes was effected as of April 30, 2005.

Average Annual Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -36.23% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08 | -1.50% |

(3) Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4) 4-28-05 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders)

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF MID CAP GROWTH

Portfolio Highlights

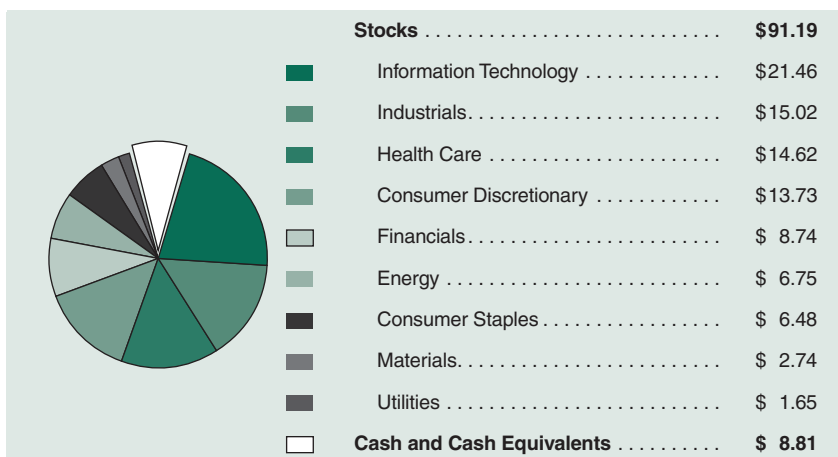
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On December 31, 2008, Mid Cap Growth had net assets totaling \$48,879 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 87.82% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 8.81% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 3.37% | Foreign Common Stocks |

Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Mid Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|--------------|
| Air Freight & Logistics – 4.39% | | |
| C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. | 21 | \$ 1,172 |
| Expeditors International of Washington, Inc. | 29 | 972 |
| | | <u>2,144</u> |
| Airlines – 0.70% | | |
| Delta Air Lines, Inc. (A) | 30 | <u>341</u> |
| Apparel Retail – 2.52% | | |
| J. Crew Group, Inc. (A) | 46 | 556 |
| Urban Outfitters, Inc. (A) | 45 | 677 |
| | | <u>1,233</u> |
| Application Software – 2.41% | | |
| Solera Holdings, Inc. (A) | 49 | <u>1,176</u> |
| Auto Parts & Equipment – 0.37% | | |
| BorgWarner Inc. | 8 | <u>179</u> |
| Brewers – 1.24% | | |
| Molson Coors Brewing Company, Class B | 12 | <u>607</u> |
| Catalog Retail – 0.70% | | |
| Coldwater Creek Inc. (A) | 120 | <u>343</u> |
| Computer Storage & Peripherals – 3.66% | | |
| Data Domain, Inc. (A) | 56 | 1,048 |
| NetApp, Inc. (A) | 53 | 739 |
| | | <u>1,787</u> |
| Data Processing & Outsourced Services – 5.35% | | |
| Global Payments Inc. | 39 | 1,262 |
| Paychex, Inc. | 51 | 1,351 |
| | | <u>2,613</u> |
| Department Stores – 2.95% | | |
| Kohl's Corporation (A) | 22 | 796 |
| Macy's Inc. | 18 | 187 |
| Nordstrom, Inc. | 14 | 187 |
| Saks Incorporated (A) | 62 | 272 |
| | | <u>1,442</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 113.

The Investments of Mid Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|--------------|
| Distillers & Vintners – 2.16% | | |
| Brown-Forman Corporation, Class B | 20 | \$ 1,054 |
| Electrical Components & Equipment – 1.91% | | |
| Cooper Industries, Ltd., Class A | 16 | 456 |
| Hubbell Incorporated, Class B | 15 | 477 |
| | | <u>933</u> |
| Electronic Equipment & Instruments – 1.10% | | |
| FLIR Systems, Inc. (A) | 18 | 539 |
| Environmental & Facilities Services – 1.59% | | |
| Stericycle, Inc. (A) | 15 | 779 |
| Food Retail – 0.66% | | |
| Whole Foods Market, Inc. | 34 | 322 |
| Gas Utilities – 1.65% | | |
| Equitable Resources, Inc. | 24 | 805 |
| Health Care Distributors – 2.78% | | |
| Henry Schein, Inc. (A) | 37 | 1,359 |
| Health Care Equipment – 7.27% | | |
| C. R. Bard, Inc. | 19 | 1,609 |
| Hologic, Inc. (A) | 64 | 836 |
| Hospira, Inc. (A) | 32 | 864 |
| Wright Medical Group, Inc. (A) | 12 | 244 |
| | | <u>3,553</u> |
| Health Care Supplies – 2.36% | | |
| DENTSPLY International Inc. | 41 | 1,154 |
| Homefurnishing Retail – 1.02% | | |
| Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. (A) | 20 | 496 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 113.

The Investments of Mid Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Industrial Machinery – 3.01% | | |
| Donaldson Company, Inc. | 14 | \$ 481 |
| IDEX Corporation | 41 | 989 |
| | | <u>1,470</u> |
| Internet Software & Services – 2.15% | | |
| Akamai Technologies, Inc. (A) | 39 | 581 |
| DealerTrack Holdings, Inc. (A) | 40 | 472 |
| | | <u>1,053</u> |
| Investment Banking & Brokerage – 2.47% | | |
| Lazard Group LLC | 14 | 428 |
| TD Ameritrade Holding Corporation (A) | 55 | 780 |
| | | <u>1,208</u> |
| Motorcycle Manufacturers – 0.60% | | |
| Harley-Davidson, Inc. | 17 | 295 |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 3.28% | | |
| Complete Production Services, Inc. (A) | 25 | 205 |
| Dresser-Rand Group Inc. (A) | 26 | 442 |
| National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (A) | 24 | 575 |
| Smith International, Inc. | 17 | 383 |
| | | <u>1,605</u> |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 3.47% | | |
| Noble Energy, Inc. | 27 | 1,314 |
| XTO Energy Inc. | 11 | 381 |
| | | <u>1,695</u> |
| Packaged Foods & Meats – 1.92% | | |
| Hershey Foods Corporation | 27 | 936 |
| Paper Packaging – 2.74% | | |
| Packaging Corporation of America | 33 | 440 |
| Sealed Air Corporation | 27 | 410 |
| Sonoco Products Company (A) | 21 | 487 |
| | | <u>1,337</u> |
| Personal Products – 0.50% | | |
| Bare Escentuals, Inc. (A) | 47 | 246 |
| Pharmaceuticals – 2.21% | | |
| Allergan, Inc. | 27 | 1,081 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 113.

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December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|---------------|-----------------|
| Property & Casualty Insurance – 1.56% | | |
| AXIS Capital Holdings Limited | 26 | \$ 761 |
| Publishing – 1.36% | | |
| Meredith Corporation | 40 | 665 |
| Regional Banks – 3.52% | | |
| Signature Bank (A) | 25 | 730 |
| Synovus Financial Corp. | 75 | 621 |
| Zions Bancorporation | 15 | 372 |
| | | <u>1,723</u> |
| Research & Consulting Services – 1.13% | | |
| Dun & Bradstreet Corporation (The) | 7 | 552 |
| Restaurants – 2.68% | | |
| Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc., Class A (A) | 9 | 527 |
| P.F. Chang's China Bistro, Inc. (A) | 37 | 784 |
| | | <u>1,311</u> |
| Semiconductors – 5.48% | | |
| Broadcom Corporation, Class A (A) | 52 | 883 |
| Linear Technology Corporation | 21 | 470 |
| Microchip Technology Incorporated | 68 | 1,328 |
| | | <u>2,681</u> |
| Specialized Finance – 1.19% | | |
| CME Group Inc. | 3 | 581 |
| Specialty Stores – 1.53% | | |
| PetSmart, Inc. | 41 | 749 |
| Systems Software – 1.31% | | |
| McAfee, Inc. (A) | 19 | 641 |
| Trading Companies & Distributors – 2.29% | | |
| Fastenal Company | 32 | 1,122 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 91.19% | | \$44,571 |
| (Cost: \$61,421) | | |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 113.

The Investments of Mid Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., 0.050%, 1-2-09 | \$ 589 | \$ 589 |
| CVS Caremark Corporation, 5.500%, 1-20-09 | 913 | 911 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1-5-09 | 500 | 500 |
| Sara Lee Corporation, 1.500%, 1-16-09 | 1,200 | 1,199 |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation, 0.030%, 1-2-09 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 8.59% | | \$ 4,199 |
| (Cost: \$4,199) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.78% | | \$ 48,770 |
| (Cost: \$65,620) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.22% | | 109 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$ 48,879 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

Industry classifications are unaudited

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

MID CAP GROWTH

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$65,620) | \$48,770 |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Dividends and interest | 44 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 74 |
| Total assets | <u>48,889</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 3 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 2 |
| Accrued management fee | 1 |
| Accrued service fee | 1 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 3 |
| Total liabilities | <u>10</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$48,879</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 11 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 67,188 |
| Accumulated loss: | |
| Accumulated net investment loss | (1) |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (1,469) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (16,850) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$48,879</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$4.5056</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 10,849 |
| Capital shares authorized | 20,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

MID CAP GROWTH

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT LOSS

Income:

| | |
|--|------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$—*) | \$ 502 |
| Interest and amortization | 130 |
| Total income | <u>632</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Investment management fee | 461 |
| Service fee | 136 |
| Accounting services fee | 38 |
| Audit fees | 11 |
| Custodian fees | 9 |
| Legal fees | 2 |
| Shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 17 |
| Total | <u>674</u> |
| Less expenses in excess of limit | (10) |
| Total expenses | <u>664</u> |
| Net investment loss | <u>(32)</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Realized net loss on securities | (843) |
| Realized net loss on written options | (524) |
| Realized net loss on investments | (1,367) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | (22,811) |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(24,178)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(24,210)</u></u> |

*Not shown due to rounding.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

MID CAP GROWTH

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income (loss) | \$ (32) | \$ 27 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (1,367) | 2,271 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (22,811) | 2,994 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (24,210) | 5,292 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (21) | (10) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (901) | (1,378) |
| | (922) | (1,388) |
| Capital share transactions | 16,547 | 16,217 |
| Total increase (decrease) | (8,585) | 20,121 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 57,464 | 37,343 |
| End of period | \$ 48,879 | \$57,464 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income (loss) | \$ (1) | \$ 20 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 3,772 | 2,506 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 216 | 193 |
| Shares redeemed | (1,110) | (420) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | 2,878 | 2,279 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 22,260 | \$17,810 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 922 | 1,388 |
| Value redeemed | (6,635) | (2,981) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | \$ 16,547 | \$16,217 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

MID CAP GROWTH

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | For the period from 4-28-05 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-05 |
|--|--|----------|----------|---|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | \$7.2091 | \$6.5601 | \$6.0653 | \$5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from investment operations: | | | | |
| Net investment income (loss) | (0.0036) | 0.0034 | 0.0164 | 0.0064 |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (2.6128) | 0.8245 | 0.5025 | 1.0589 |
| Total from investment operations | (2.6164) | 0.8279 | 0.5189 | 1.0653 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.0020) | (0.0013) | (0.0223) | (0.0000) |
| Capital gains | (0.0851) | (0.1776) | (0.0018) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.0871) | (0.1789) | (0.0241) | (0.0000) |
| Net asset value, end of period | \$4.5056 | \$7.2091 | \$6.5601 | \$6.0653 |
| Total return | -36.23% | 12.62% | 8.56% | 21.31% |
| Net assets, end of period (in millions) | \$49 | \$57 | \$37 | \$13 |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets including expense waiver | 1.23% | 1.21% | 0.97% | 0.69% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets including expense waiver | -0.06% | 0.06% | 0.45% | 0.33% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets excluding expense waiver | 1.24% | 1.24% | 1.31% | 1.54% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets excluding expense waiver | -0.07% | 0.03% | 0.11% | -0.51% ⁽²⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 46% | 31% | 23% | 11% |

(1) Commencement of operations.

(2) Annualized.

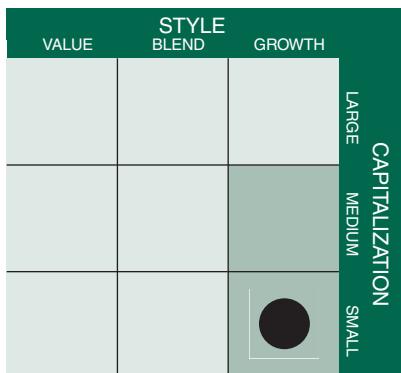
See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Manager's Discussion of Small Cap Growth *(Unaudited)*

December 31, 2008



Below, Kenneth G. McQuade, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. He has managed the Portfolio for three years and has 13 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar. The market capitalization rating is specific to Morningstar and does not necessarily reflect the market capitalization range of the Fund. Please refer to the Fund's prospectus for specific investment parameters.

Deterioration in equities spares no one

At the beginning of 2008, the stock market started immediately under pressure from the credit squeeze that began in 2007. It then suffered through multiple debilitating financial events, including the disappearance of major financial institutions that had been in business for generations, Treasury Bills that sold with negative interest rates, a U.S. deficit

| Fiscal year performance | |
|--|----------------|
| For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008 | |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth | -39.18% |
| Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category | |
| Russell 2000 Growth Index | -38.56% |
| (generally reflects the performance of small company growth stocks) | |
| Lipper Variable Annuity Small Cap Growth Funds Universe Average | -41.12% |
| (generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives) | |

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

that reached into the trillions of dollars, and credit markets that virtually stopped functioning.

The outcome was a global banking system that essentially froze, forcing the economy into the worst recession since the 1970s, rivaling the Great Depression of the 1930s. The stock market followed suit with its worst performance in over 70 years.

From an industry and sector basis, nothing was saved. All sectors were down double-digit percentages with some sectors losing nearly half of their value. This broad-based deterioration in stock prices limited our fully invested Portfolio from achieving stronger performance. Commodity-related sectors, such as energy and materials, were some of the year's worst performers. Oil prices exemplified the volatile and violent treatment equities suffered during the fiscal period. On the back of strong global commodity demand, oil prices, along with the corresponding energy sector, increased 45 percent for the first half of the year (significantly above any other sector). However, as the global economy faltered later in the year, energy prices and energy stocks realized a 50 percent annual decline by year-end.

The Portfolio's year-long underweight position in energy and materials thus proved to be of benefit. We held meaningful positions in health care, consumer staples and technology, which we feel helped to mitigate our declines somewhat in comparison to our peer group. Two sectors that struggled throughout the period were financials and consumer discretionary, and fortunately, both were underweighted in the portfolio, and this helped our results. The consumer continues to face obvious pressures due to the prolonged housing downturn, tighter credit availability and rising unemployment.

Overall, our risk management steps, combined with some late October purchases, helped to temper the Portfolio's decline, although negative returns were prevalent in all areas of the market. We believe a tender and fragile financial system is likely to prevent a smooth and accelerating upward path for the small cap sector of the market. Nevertheless, valuations are much improved. We also feel that the balance sheets of our holdings are solid and the management teams of the companies we are invested in are talented.

Our outlook

As we enter 2009, last year's problems clearly remain front and center. Economic data, such as the unemployment rate and corporate profits, appears likely to get worse. However, the hope is that upcoming data and events become more anticipated and understood, creating less volatility on stock prices. When and by how much stocks actually turn up depend in large part on how successful policy makers are in stabilizing the economy and credit markets, and getting banks to lend again. But, with credit likely to remain relatively impaired for the foreseeable future, stable companies with adequate cash flow appear more desirable. The Portfolio remains committed to focusing on what we feel are higher quality growth stocks that we believe have a more sustainable and visible earnings stream and can grow organically with positive cash flows.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| CommVault Systems, Inc. | Information Technology |
| Scientific Games Corporation, Class A | Consumer Discretionary |
| MICROS Systems, Inc. | Information Technology |
| Constant Contact, Inc. | Information Technology |
| Omniceil, Inc. | Health Care |
| Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc. | Health Care |
| ABIOMED, Inc. | Health Care |
| CoStar Group, Inc. | Industrials |
| Financial Federal Corporation | Financials |
| Riverbed Technology, Inc. | Information Technology |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Investing in small-cap stocks may carry more risk than investing in stocks of larger, more established companies. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

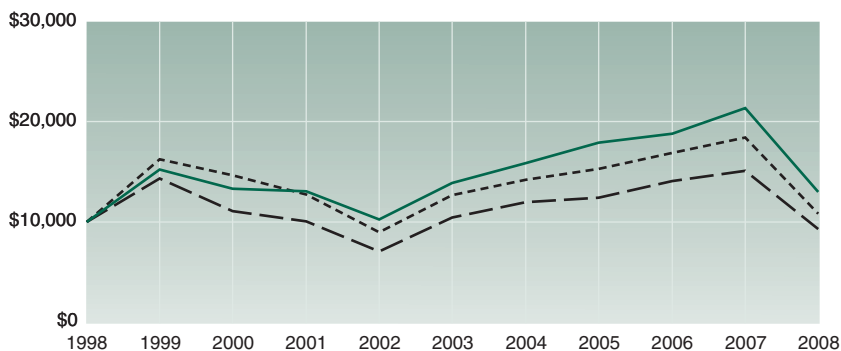
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth ⁽¹⁾ | \$13,003 |
| - - - | Russell 2000 Growth Index | \$ 9,270 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Small-Cap Growth Funds Universe Average | \$10,853 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -39.18% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | -1.32% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 2.66% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF SMALL CAP GROWTH

Portfolio Highlights

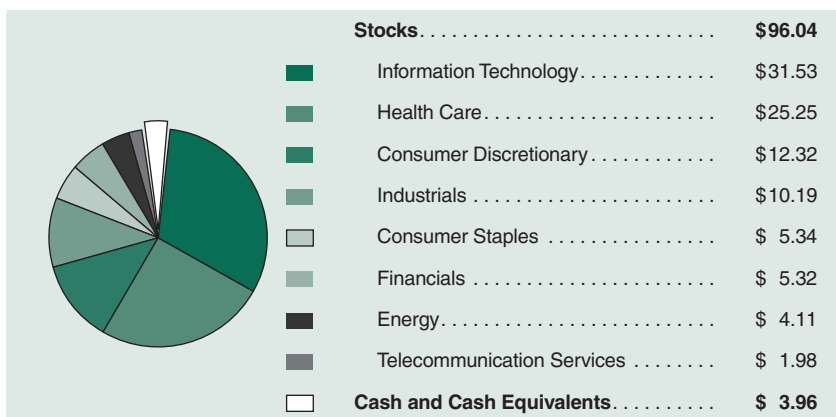
(Unaudited)

On December 31, 2008, Small Cap Growth had net assets totaling \$290,184 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 90.91% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 5.13% | Foreign Common Stocks |
| 3.96% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |

Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Small Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Airlines – 0.92% | | |
| Delta Air Lines, Inc. (A) | 232 | \$ 2,659 |
| Application Software – 8.33% | | |
| Blackbaud, Inc. | 481 | 6,496 |
| Blackboard Inc. (A) | 198 | 5,196 |
| Concur Technologies, Inc. (A) | 131 | 4,293 |
| FactSet Research Systems, Inc. | 125 | 5,549 |
| Ultimate Software Group, Inc. (The) (A) | 180 | 2,632 |
| | | <u>24,166</u> |
| Auto Parts & Equipment – 2.53% | | |
| LKQ Corporation (A) | 630 | 7,345 |
| Broadcasting – 1.56% | | |
| DG FastChannel, Inc. (A) | 363 | 4,535 |
| Casinos & Gaming – 4.71% | | |
| Scientific Games Corporation, Class A (A) | 780 | 13,681 |
| Communications Equipment – 2.61% | | |
| Riverbed Technology, Inc. (A) | 664 | 7,557 |
| Construction & Engineering – 1.22% | | |
| Chicago Bridge & Iron Company N.V., NY Shares | 353 | 3,545 |
| Construction & Farm Machinery & Heavy Trucks – 2.57% | | |
| Bucyrus International, Inc., Class A | 265 | 4,915 |
| Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation | 64 | 2,556 |
| | | <u>7,471</u> |
| Consumer Finance – 1.65% | | |
| EZCORP, Inc., Class A (A) | 315 | 4,788 |
| Education Services – 2.79% | | |
| American Public Education, Inc. (A) | 100 | 3,708 |
| Capella Education Company (A) | 75 | 4,383 |
| | | <u>8,091</u> |
| Electronic Components – 2.07% | | |
| DTS, Inc. (A) | 328 | 6,019 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 126.

The Investments of Small Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|---------------|
| Health Care Distributors – 2.35% | | |
| PSS World Medical, Inc. (A) | 363 | \$ 6,824 |
| Health Care Equipment – 6.48% | | |
| ABIOMED, Inc. (A) | 477 | 7,824 |
| Masimo Corporation (A) | 103 | 3,058 |
| NuVasive, Inc. (A) | 156 | 5,412 |
| Volcano Corporation (A) | 166 | 2,493 |
| | | <u>18,787</u> |
| Health Care Facilities – 1.17% | | |
| AmSurg Corp. (A) | 145 | 3,389 |
| Health Care Services – 5.18% | | |
| athenahealth, Inc. (A) | 165 | 6,189 |
| Healthways, Inc. (A) | 350 | 4,019 |
| HMS Holdings Corp. (A) | 153 | 4,835 |
| | | <u>15,043</u> |
| Health Care Technology – 8.45% | | |
| Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc. | 840 | 8,330 |
| Cerner Corporation (A) | 130 | 4,995 |
| Omniceil, Inc. (A) | 748 | 9,133 |
| Phase Forward Incorporated (A) | 165 | 2,070 |
| | | <u>24,528</u> |
| Hotels, Resorts & Cruise Lines – 0.73% | | |
| Gaylord Entertainment Company (A) | 195 | 2,113 |
| Integrated Telecommunication Services – 1.98% | | |
| NTELOS Holdings Corp. | 233 | 5,753 |
| Internet Software & Services – 8.66% | | |
| Bankrate, Inc. (A) | 167 | 6,342 |
| Constant Contact, Inc. (A) | 766 | 10,150 |
| VistaPrint Limited (A) | 265 | 4,937 |
| Vocus, Inc. (A) | 204 | 3,713 |
| | | <u>25,142</u> |
| Investment Banking & Brokerage – 1.01% | | |
| Argyle Security, Inc. (A)(B) | 300 | 108 |
| RiskMetrics Group, Inc. (A) | 190 | 2,825 |
| | | <u>2,933</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 126.

The Investments of Small Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|---------------|------------------|
| Life Sciences Tools & Services – 1.62% | | |
| Illumina, Inc. (A) | 180 | \$ 4,697 |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 1.73% | | |
| TESCO Corporation (A) | 703 | 5,017 |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 2.38% | | |
| Bill Barrett Corporation (A) | 327 | 6,910 |
| Packaged Foods & Meats – 3.31% | | |
| Ralcorp Holdings, Inc. (A) | 64 | 3,743 |
| Smart Balance, Inc. (A) | 861 | 5,856 |
| | | <u>9,599</u> |
| Personal Products – 2.03% | | |
| Alberto-Culver Company | 240 | 5,885 |
| Railroads – 1.50% | | |
| Kansas City Southern (A) | 229 | 4,355 |
| Research & Consulting Services – 2.66% | | |
| CoStar Group, Inc. (A) | 234 | 7,710 |
| Semiconductor Equipment – 0.48% | | |
| Verigy Ltd. (A) | 144 | 1,384 |
| Specialized Finance – 2.66% | | |
| Financial Federal Corporation | 331 | 7,704 |
| Systems Software – 9.38% | | |
| CommVault Systems, Inc. (A) | 1,130 | 15,156 |
| MICROS Systems, Inc. (A) | 739 | 12,059 |
| | | <u>27,215</u> |
| Trucking – 1.32% | | |
| Knight Transportation, Inc. | 238 | 3,838 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 96.04% | | \$278,683 |
| (Cost: \$363,232) | | |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 126.

The Investments of Small Cap Growth

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Commercial Paper | | |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1-5-09 | \$1,015 | \$ 1,015 |
| McCormick & Co. Inc., 0.150%, 1-2-09 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Praxair Inc., 0.120%, 2-17-09 | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| Sara Lee Corporation, 1.000%, 1-9-09 | 2,000 | 1,999 |
| Siemens Capital Corp., 0.150%, 1-8-09 | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 3.10% | | \$ 9,014 |
| (Cost: \$9,014) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.14% | | \$287,697 |
| (Cost: \$372,246) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.86% | | 2,487 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$290,184 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Deemed to be an affiliate due to the Portfolio owning at least 5% of the voting securities.

Industry classifications are unaudited

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

SMALL CAP GROWTH

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value: | |
| Securities (cost – \$369,834) | \$287,589 |
| Affiliated companies (cost \$2,412) | 108 |
| | <u>287,697</u> |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Investment securities sold | 2,354 |
| Dividends and interest | 111 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 198 |
| Total assets | <u>290,361</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 113 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 7 |
| Accrued management fee | 7 |
| Accrued service fee | 2 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | 1 |
| Other | 47 |
| Total liabilities | <u>177</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$290,184</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 48 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 425,624 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 1,253 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (52,192) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (84,549) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$290,184</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 6.0933</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 47,623 |
| Capital shares authorized | 105,000 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

SMALL CAP GROWTH

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$9) | \$ 4,958 |
| Interest and amortization | 937 |
| Total income | <u>5,895</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Investment management fee | 3,436 |
| Service fee | 1,010 |
| Accounting services fee | 118 |
| Legal fees | 15 |
| Audit fees | 14 |
| Custodian fees | 10 |
| Shareholder servicing | 4 |
| Other | 79 |
| Total | <u>4,686</u> |
| Less expenses in excess of limit | (83) |
| Total expenses | <u>4,603</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>1,292</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|--|---------------------------|
| Realized net loss on investments | <u>(28,562)</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of securities during the period | <u>(171,398)</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of affiliated securities during the period | <u>(2,179)</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(173,577)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(202,139)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(200,847)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

SMALL CAP GROWTH

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|-------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| DECREASE IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income (loss) | \$ 1,292 | \$ (3,408) |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (28,562) | 64,156 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (173,577) | 9,723 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (200,847) | 70,471 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | — | — |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (6,006) | (52,000) |
| | (6,006) | (52,000) |
| Capital share transactions | (47,122) | (28,872) |
| Total decrease | (253,975) | (10,401) |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 544,159 | 554,560 |
| End of period | \$290,184 | \$544,159 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income (loss) | \$ 1,253 | \$ (39) |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 2,501 | 1,354 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 1,043 | 5,077 |
| Shares redeemed | (9,050) | (8,898) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital shares | (5,506) | (2,467) |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 19,652 | \$ 14,572 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 6,006 | 52,000 |
| Value redeemed | (72,780) | (95,444) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital | \$ (47,122) | \$ (28,872) |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

SMALL CAP GROWTH

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$10.2422 | \$ 9.9749 | \$10.4866 | \$ 9.6810 | \$8.4703 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income (loss) | 0.0270 | (0.0641) | (0.0584) | (0.0647) | (0.0741) |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain | | | | | |
| (loss) on investments. . . | (4.0469) | 1.4127 | 0.5883 | 1.3116 | 1.2848 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (4.0199) | 1.3486 | 0.5299 | 1.2469 | 1.2107 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Capital gains | (0.1290) | (1.0813) | (1.0416) | (0.4413) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.1290) | (1.0813) | (1.0416) | (0.4413) | (0.0000) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$ 6.0933 | \$10.2422 | \$ 9.9749 | \$10.4866 | \$9.6810 |
| Total return | -39.18% | 13.52% | 5.05% | 12.88% | 14.29% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$290 | \$544 | \$555 | \$606 | \$589 |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.14% | 1.14% | 1.15% | 1.16% | 1.17% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income (loss) to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.32% | -0.61% | -0.55% | -0.63% | -0.82% |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.16% | 1.16% | 1.16% | 1.16% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.17% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income (loss) to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.30% | -0.63% | -0.56% | -0.63% ⁽¹⁾ | -0.82% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate. | 82% | 101% | 94% | 71% | 96% |

(1) There was no waiver expenses during the period.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

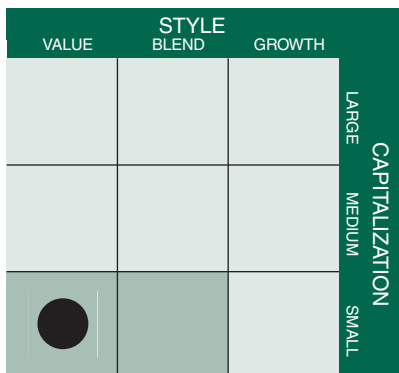
Manager's Discussion of Small Cap Value Portfolio

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, Timothy J. Miller, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. He has managed the Portfolio for nine months and has 30 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

We are disappointed that the Portfolio lost money this past fiscal year. However, we lost less than both our benchmark and our Lipper peer group. We outpaced our benchmark in the following sectors: energy, industrials, consumer discretionary, technology, and consumer staples.

Stock selection mattered most

In most of these cases it was stock selection that accounted for the Portfolio's success in retaining more value than the index. The one exception was energy, where both sector allocation and stock selection were positive,

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value **-26.13%**

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

Russell 2000 Value Index **-28.94%**

(generally reflects the performance of small company value-style stocks)

Lipper Variable Annuity Small Cap Value Funds Universe Average **-33.09%**

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

but the former was a greater contributor. The Portfolio's allocation to energy was in line or greater than the index during the period when the group was strong, and then entered the fourth quarter at a zero weighting, thereby avoiding the cataclysmic losses of the late-year meltdown.

While the Portfolio outperformed its index for the year, a few sectors were detractors. Health care, materials, financials, and utilities showed slight underperformance for the period. The materials sector followed a similar volatile pattern as energy during the year. We expected that the agricultural and

gold stocks could weather the commodity storm but that was not the case. The financial sector, by far the largest weighting in the index, was surprisingly resilient and actually fell less than the benchmark for the year. Our stock selection among the financials was positive, but we had an underweight position throughout the year that accounted for the slight overall underperformance.

Underweights in healthcare and utilities also detracted a bit from the Portfolio for the year.

A strategy of measuring future expectations

The focus on valuation and “implicit expectations reflected in stock prices” is a discipline that drove our strategy throughout the year. Rather than reacting to the prevailing news flow (whether good or bad), we attempted to measure the future expectations that were built in existing stock prices, interpreted the resulting risk/reward situation and made adjustments accordingly. For example, on a sector basis, at the height of the credit crisis in the second quarter, the financial stocks, particularly the banks, were under severe pressure. The small cap community bank stocks were getting hit as hard as the larger money center and investment banks that had far greater issues to deal with. We viewed the risk/reward in higher quality, strongly capitalized community banks very favorable and initiated positions in stocks like the Bank of the Ozarks, First Financial Bankshares, and Home Bancshares. All of these stocks subsequently rallied sharply in the third quarter and held up for the year.

Alternatively, after a strong gain in the energy sector during the second quarter, our valuation work suggested that very high expectations were being priced into the oil service and exploration and production groups in the face of a global recession. We participated in the rally with stocks such as Swift Energy, W-H Energy Services, and Lufkin Industries, and began to pare the group back in the third quarter and ultimately eliminate our exposure by September, avoiding a sharp correction that followed.

On the stock selection front for the year, the best performers included First Niagara Financial, W-H Energy Services, ITT Educational, Delta Airlines, and Rangold Resources. W-H Energy was acquired by Smith International which we subsequently sold. Delta was part of a few airline positions that were initiated based on expectations that industry capacity reductions in excess of demand declines would lead to improving profitability for the industry and healthier stocks. This theme played out successfully at the end of the year. ITT and other education service companies showed great counter-cyclical performance throughout the year, and Rangold Resources was the best of our gold mining stocks in 2008. Among our worst performers for the year were two consumer discretionary sector stocks – Pinnacle Entertainment, a casino operator and LKQ, a recycler of auto parts.

Our outlook

As we enter 2009 the global economic uncertainty remains quite elevated and the impact of multiple macro stimulus programs

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Ruddick Corporation | Consumer Staples |
| BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc. | Consumer Staples |
| Silgan Holdings Inc. | Materials |
| IPC Holdings, Ltd. | Financials |
| Sensient Technologies Corporation | Materials |
| Jack in the Box Inc. | Consumer Discretionary |
| First Niagara Financial Group, Inc. | Financials |
| Delta Air Lines, Inc. | Industrials |
| Monro Muffler Brake, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary |
| tw telecom inc. | Telecommunication Services |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

remains unclear. Stocks rallied toward the end of 2008 on the hopes of a positive outcome from these measures. We maintain our defensive and countercyclical positions in

the Portfolio and are carefully adding to groups in the consumer discretionary and technology sectors that we expect will be early winners as the year unfolds.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Investing in small-cap stocks may carry more risk than investing in stocks of larger, more established companies. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

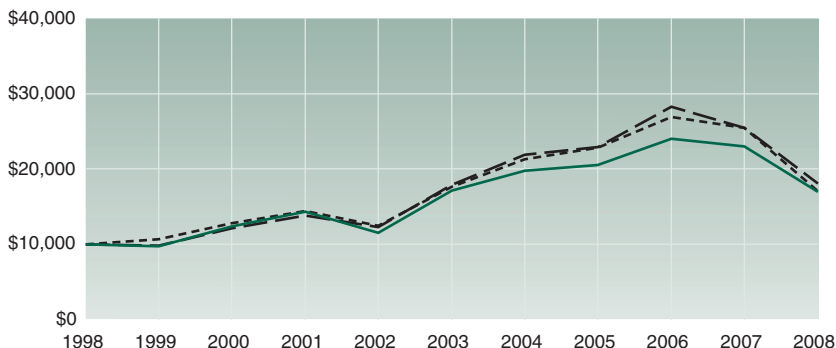
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Small Cap Value.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|---|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value ⁽¹⁾ | \$17,004 |
| - - - | Russell 2000 Value Index | \$18,105 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Small-Cap Value Funds Universe Average | \$17,020 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -26.13% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | -0.18% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 5.45% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

Advantus Small Company Value Portfolio was reorganized as Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value (formerly W&R Target Small Cap Value Portfolio) on September 22, 2003. Performance shown for the period prior to this date is the performance of the Advantus Small Company Value Portfolio. This performance has not been restated to reflect the expenses of Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value. If those expenses were reflected, performance of Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value would differ.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF SMALL CAP VALUE

Portfolio Highlights

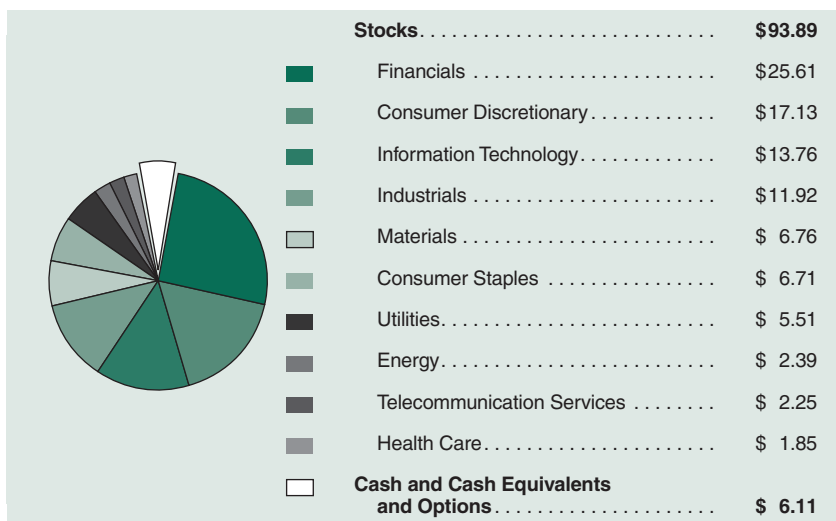
(Unaudited)

On December 31, 2008, Small Cap Value had net assets totaling \$150,116 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---------------------------------------|
| 87.55% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 6.34% | Foreign Common Stocks |
| 6.11% | Cash and Cash Equivalents and Options |

Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Small Cap Value

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|--------------|
| Aerospace & Defense – 0.62% | | |
| Orbital Sciences Corporation (A) | 48 | \$ 928 |
| Airlines – 3.07% | | |
| Continental Airlines, Inc., Class B (A) | 111 | 2,010 |
| Delta Air Lines, Inc. (A) | 227 | 2,604 |
| | | <u>4,614</u> |
| Alternative Carriers – 1.64% | | |
| tw telecom inc. (A) | 291 | <u>2,465</u> |
| Apparel Retail – 0.87% | | |
| Finish Line, Inc. (The), Class A (A) | 232 | <u>1,299</u> |
| Apparel, Accessories & Luxury Goods – 0.86% | | |
| Warnaco Group, Inc. (The) (A) | 66 | <u>1,295</u> |
| Application Software – 1.23% | | |
| Lawson Software, Inc. (A) | 168 | 796 |
| TIBCO Software Inc. (A) | 202 | 1,046 |
| | | <u>1,842</u> |
| Asset Management & Custody Banks – 1.54% | | |
| Affiliated Managers Group, Inc. (A) | 55 | <u>2,318</u> |
| Automotive Retail – 1.67% | | |
| Monro Muffler Brake, Inc. (A) | 98 | <u>2,499</u> |
| Casinos & Gaming – 1.29% | | |
| Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. (A) | 253 | <u>1,941</u> |
| Communications Equipment – 1.34% | | |
| Avocent Corporation (A) | 65 | 1,160 |
| Polycom, Inc. (A) | 63 | 846 |
| | | <u>2,006</u> |
| Data Processing & Outsourced Services – 0.24% | | |
| Euronet Worldwide, Inc. (A) | 31 | <u>356</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 141.

The Investments of Small Cap Value

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Diversified Chemicals – 0.72% | | |
| Solutia Inc. (A) | 241 | \$ 1,082 |
| Education Services – 1.63% | | |
| Corinthian Colleges, Inc. (A) | 150 | 2,451 |
| Electric Utilities – 3.88% | | |
| Cleco Corporation | 76 | 1,740 |
| NV Energy, Inc. (A) | 150 | 1,481 |
| UIL Holdings Corporation | 62 | 1,868 |
| Unitil Corporation (A) | 36 | 739 |
| | | <u>5,828</u> |
| Food Retail – 4.06% | | |
| Casey's General Stores, Inc. | 84 | 1,901 |
| Ruddick Corporation (B) | 152 | 4,192 |
| | | <u>6,093</u> |
| Gas Utilities – 1.63% | | |
| Southwest Gas Corporation | 97 | 2,447 |
| General Merchandise Stores – 1.07% | | |
| Fred's Inc., Class A | 150 | 1,609 |
| Health Care Distributors – 0.78% | | |
| Kindred Healthcare, Inc. (A) | 90 | 1,168 |
| Health Care Facilities – 1.07% | | |
| AmSurg Corp. (A) | 69 | 1,603 |
| Homebuilding – 4.12% | | |
| M.D.C. Holdings, Inc. | 52 | 1,585 |
| Pulte Homes, Inc. | 202 | 2,212 |
| Ryland Group, Inc. (The) | 135 | 2,391 |
| | | <u>6,188</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 141.

The Investments of Small Cap Value

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Human Resource & Employment Services – 2.15% | | |
| Resources Connection, Inc. (A) | 81 | \$ 1,320 |
| Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings, Inc., Class A | 40 | 1,899 |
| | | <u>3,219</u> |
| Hypermarkets & Super Centers – 2.65% | | |
| BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc. (A)(B) | 116 | 3,978 |
| Integrated Telecommunication Services – 0.61% | | |
| SureWest Communications | 80 | 910 |
| Internet Software & Services – 0.51% | | |
| SkillSoft Public Limited Company, ADR (A) | 108 | 771 |
| Investment Banking & Brokerage – 2.76% | | |
| KBW, Inc. (A) | 81 | 1,856 |
| Piper Jaffray Companies (A) | 57 | 2,281 |
| | | <u>4,137</u> |
| IT Consulting & Other Services – 2.40% | | |
| CACI International Inc, Class A (A) | 40 | 1,799 |
| Forrester Research, Inc. (A) | 64 | 1,800 |
| | | <u>3,599</u> |
| Leisure Products – 0.59% | | |
| LeapFrog Enterprises, Inc. (A) | 253 | 885 |
| Metal & Glass Containers – 4.10% | | |
| Pactiv Corporation (A) | 92 | 2,282 |
| Silgan Holdings Inc. | 81 | 3,867 |
| | | <u>6,149</u> |
| Movies & Entertainment – 1.47% | | |
| Regal Entertainment Group | 216 | 2,201 |
| Office REITs – 1.01% | | |
| Digital Realty Trust, Inc. | 46 | 1,524 |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 2.20% | | |
| Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation | 67 | 1,739 |
| Comstock Resources, Inc. (A) | 33 | 1,559 |
| | | <u>3,298</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 141.

The Investments of Small Cap Value

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation – 0.19% | | |
| MarkWest Energy Partners, L.P. | 36 | \$ 290 |
| Regional Banks – 9.89% | | |
| Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. | 17 | 507 |
| First Financial Bankshares, Inc. | 37 | 2,054 |
| First Horizon National Corporation | 126 | 1,336 |
| First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. | 67 | 1,344 |
| Glacier Bancorp, Inc. (A) | 79 | 1,510 |
| Home BancShares, Inc. (A) | 40 | 1,083 |
| Pacific Continental Corporation (A) | 39 | 588 |
| PacWest Bancorp (A) | 51 | 1,383 |
| Sierra Bancorp | 61 | 1,273 |
| SVB Financial Group (A) | 21 | 561 |
| Texas Capital Bancshares, Inc. (A) | 89 | 1,184 |
| United Bankshares, Inc. | 61 | 2,025 |
| | | <u>14,848</u> |
| Reinsurance – 5.21% | | |
| IPC Holdings, Ltd. | 114 | 3,420 |
| Platinum Underwriters Holdings, Ltd. | 68 | 2,449 |
| RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. | 38 | 1,949 |
| | | <u>7,818</u> |
| Research & Consulting Services – 1.54% | | |
| Duff & Phelps Corporation, Class A (A) | 121 | 2,311 |
| Residential REITs – 1.41% | | |
| American Campus Communities, Inc. | 104 | 2,120 |
| Restaurants – 3.56% | | |
| AFC Enterprises, Inc. (A) | 98 | 459 |
| Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc. | 109 | 2,238 |
| Jack in the Box Inc. (A) | 120 | 2,653 |
| | | <u>5,350</u> |
| Security & Alarm Services – 2.36% | | |
| Brink's Company (The) | 54 | 1,462 |
| GEO Group, Inc. (The) (A) | 115 | 2,077 |
| | | <u>3,539</u> |
| Semiconductor Equipment – 1.18% | | |
| Lam Research Corporation (A) | 40 | 843 |
| Verigy Ltd. (A) | 97 | 933 |
| | | <u>1,776</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 141.

The Investments of Small Cap Value

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Semiconductors – 3.20% | | |
| Atmel Corporation (A) | 517 | \$ 1,620 |
| NVIDIA Corporation (A) | 195 | 1,576 |
| PMC-Sierra, Inc. (A) | 332 | 1,612 |
| | | <u>4,808</u> |
| Specialized REITs – 2.03% | | |
| Entertainment Properties Trust | 50 | 1,484 |
| LaSalle Hotel Properties | 141 | 1,557 |
| | | <u>3,041</u> |
| Specialty Chemicals – 1.94% | | |
| Sensient Technologies Corporation | 122 | 2,918 |
| Systems Software – 1.52% | | |
| Sybase, Inc. (A) | 92 | 2,285 |
| Technology Distributors – 2.14% | | |
| Anixter International Inc. (A) | 32 | 967 |
| Arrow Electronics, Inc. (A) | 60 | 1,128 |
| Avnet, Inc. (A) | 62 | 1,120 |
| | | <u>3,215</u> |
| Thrifts & Mortgage Finance – 1.76% | | |
| First Niagara Financial Group, Inc. | 164 | 2,644 |
| Trucking – 2.18% | | |
| Marten Transport, Ltd. (A) | 100 | 1,904 |
| Werner Enterprises, Inc. | 79 | 1,375 |
| | | <u>3,279</u> |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 93.89% | | \$140,945 |
| (Cost: \$159,051) | | |
| CALL OPTIONS – 0.56% | | |
| | Number of | |
| | Contracts | |
| Philadelphia Stock Exchange Gold and Silver Index, Jun \$122.50, Expires 6–22–09 | —* | \$ 832 |
| (Cost: \$965) | | |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 141.

The Investments of Small Cap Value

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Commercial Paper | | |
| AT&T Inc., 0.180%, 2-12-09 | \$2,500 | \$ 2,499 |
| Campbell Soup Co., 0.050%, 1-28-09 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1-5-09 | 861 | 861 |
| L'Oreal USA, Inc., 0.120%, 1-9-09 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| McCormick & Co. Inc., 0.150%, 1-2-09 | 500 | 500 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 6.90% | | \$ 10,360 |
| (Cost: \$10,360) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 101.35% | | \$152,137 |
| (Cost: \$170,376) | | |
| LIABILITIES, NET OF CASH AND OTHER ASSETS – (1.35%) | | (2,021) |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$150,116 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

*Not shown due to rounding as amount is less than 500.

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Securities serve as cover for the following written options outstanding at December 31, 2008:

| Underlying Index | Contracts Subject to Put | Expiration Month/ Exercise Price | Premium Received | Market Value |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Philadelphia Stock Exchange Gold and Silver Sector Index: | —* | June/122.5 | <u>\$884</u> | <u>\$780</u> |

The following acronym is used throughout this portfolio:

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

Industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

SMALL CAP VALUE

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$170,376) | \$152,137 |
| Cash | 10 |
| Receivables: | |
| Investment securities sold | 569 |
| Dividends and interest | 178 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 175 |
| Total assets | <u>153,069</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 2,135 |
| Outstanding written options – at value (premium received – \$884) | 780 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 18 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 5 |
| Accrued management fee | 3 |
| Accrued service fee | 1 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 11 |
| Total liabilities | <u>2,953</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$150,116</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 15 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 201,705 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 68 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (33,537) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (18,135) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$150,116</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$10.2867</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 14,593 |
| Capital shares authorized | 30,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

SMALL CAP VALUE

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT LOSS

Income:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Dividends | \$ 1,587 |
| Interest and amortization | 312 |
| Total income | <u>1,899</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Investment management fee | 1,548 |
| Service fee | 455 |
| Accounting services fee | 69 |
| Audit fees | 14 |
| Custodian fees | 13 |
| Legal fees | 11 |
| Shareholder servicing | 2 |
| Other | 37 |
| Total expenses | <u>2,149</u> |
| Net investment loss | <u>(250)</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Realized net loss on investments | (29,934) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of securities during the period | <u>(22,843)</u> |
| Unrealized appreciation in value of written options during the period | 104 |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(22,739)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(52,673)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(52,923)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

SMALL CAP VALUE

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income (loss) | \$ (250) | \$ 360 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (29,934) | 6,583 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (22,739) | (15,978) |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | (52,923) | (9,035) |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (364) | (11) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (3,536) | (9,800) |
| | (3,900) | (9,811) |
| Capital share transactions | 1,795 | 25,318 |
| Total increase (decrease) | (55,028) | 6,472 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 205,144 | 198,672 |
| End of period | \$150,116 | \$205,144 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | \$ 68 | \$ 356 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 3,204 | 2,052 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 403 | 685 |
| Shares redeemed | (3,338) | (1,077) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | 269 | 1,660 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 40,078 | \$ 32,528 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 3,900 | 9,811 |
| Value redeemed | (42,183) | (17,021) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | \$ 1,795 | \$ 25,318 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

SMALL CAP VALUE

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$14.3219 | \$15.6884 | \$14.5826 | \$16.6329 | \$15.2013 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income (loss) | (0.0168) | 0.0251 | 0.0226 | 0.0012 | (0.0569) |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain | | | | | |
| (loss) on | | | | | |
| investments | (3.7428) | (0.6721) | 2.4333 | 0.6886 | 2.3402 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (3.7596) | (0.6470) | 2.4559 | 0.6898 | 2.2833 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income | (0.0257) | (0.0008) | (0.0232) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Capital gains | (0.2499) | (0.7187) | (1.3269) | (2.7401) | (0.8517) |
| Total distributions | (0.2756) | (0.7195) | (1.3501) | (2.7401) | (0.8517) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$10.2867 | \$14.3219 | \$15.6884 | \$14.5826 | \$16.6329 |
| Total return | -26.13% | -4.13% | 16.84% | 4.15% | 15.02% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$150 | \$205 | \$199 | \$160 | \$132 |
| Ratio of expenses to | | | | | |
| average net assets | 1.18% | 1.18% | 1.18% | 1.20% | 1.23% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income (loss) to | | | | | |
| average net assets | -0.14% | 0.17% | 0.15% | 0.01% | -0.43% |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 110% | 122% | 131% | 166% | 32% |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

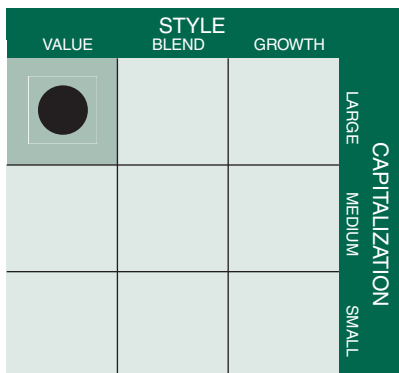
Manager's Discussion of Value

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, Matthew T. Norris, CFA, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Value, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. He has managed the Portfolio for five years and has 17 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

Equities decline during global recession

The economy, both domestic and global, led the equity markets on a dramatic path downward over the past fiscal year, particularly the last half of the year. The weak economy and the dislocation in the U.S. financial system brought on one of the worst declines in history, as evidenced by the return of the index and, to a slightly lesser extent,

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP Value **-33.81%**

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

Russell 1000 Value Index **-36.85%**

(generally reflects the performance of value-style stocks)

Lipper Variable Annuity Large Cap Value Funds Universe Average **-37.04%**

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

the return of the Portfolio. The Portfolio's slight relative outperformance compared with the index was aided by quality stock selection and a generally defensive position for most of the year. Areas of strength for the Portfolio included insurance and capital goods, where our cautious approach avoided the big name poor performers in those areas. Good individual stock selection also added value in the real estate and technology areas.

The Portfolio's performance was driven by individual stock selection. Broadly, financials, energy and consumer-facing areas were especially weak during the year. While we maintained some exposure to these areas, the impact was somewhat mitigated by our cautious approach. Although the Portfolio is typically close to fully invested, cash reserves were kept higher over the fiscal year. The Portfolio's weakest area was energy, where our investments in pipeline companies proved to be untimely. We do, however, believe it will be a good area for investment over the longer term.

An area of strength for the Portfolio during the period was insurance, where we believe there is tremendous value, and we avoided some high profile companies that severely underperformed. Generally, over the course of the fiscal year, technology, transportation and consumer staples sectors were overweight, while most financial sectors, retail, media and utilities were under-represented.

We continue to select investments one at a time, comparing where a stock is trading versus our estimate of that company's intrinsic value. We then attempt to judge when and how that value will be realized before making an investment. This strategy has served us well historically and will continue to be employed.

Our outlook

We continue to see a large number of companies that we believe are trading at substantial discounts to their intrinsic value. Most of these ideas are in sectors which did poorly last year, and were underweighted in the Portfolio. Over time, we would expect to exit the defensive names and strategies that were emphasized during 2008 and move into names which we believe offer better prospects going forward. As we find new ideas or sell existing positions, the sector weightings will likely change to reflect our viewpoint of individual investments.

It would seem nearly impossible to have a worse year than we have just experienced. That does not ensure that the coming fiscal period will bring a positive return, however. We believe that certain areas of the economy are beginning to improve, such as insurance, airlines and some aspects of health care. Others seem likely to improve over time, including consumer staples and banking. Overall, the weak markets have left a large number of companies trading significantly below our estimate of their value. Our focus continues to be on high, free cash flow-yielding companies where we are able to identify what we feel is underlying value. We believe there are more opportunities today than at any time over the last five years.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Chevron Corporation | Energy |
| Verizon Communications Inc. | Telecommunication Services |
| Travelers Companies, Inc. (The) | Financials |
| McKesson Corporation | Health Care |
| Hewlett-Packard Company | Information Technology |
| Exxon Mobil Corporation | Energy |
| Annaly Capital Management, Inc. | Financials |
| AmerisourceBergen Corporation | Health Care |
| Philip Morris International Inc. | Consumer Staples |
| UnitedHealth Group Incorporated | Health Care |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Value stocks are stocks of companies that may have experienced adverse business or industry developments; or may be subject to special risks that have caused the stocks to be out of favor and, in the opinion of the Portfolio's manager, undervalued. The value of a security believed by the Portfolio's manager to be undervalued may never reach what the manager believes to be its full value, or such security's value may decrease. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

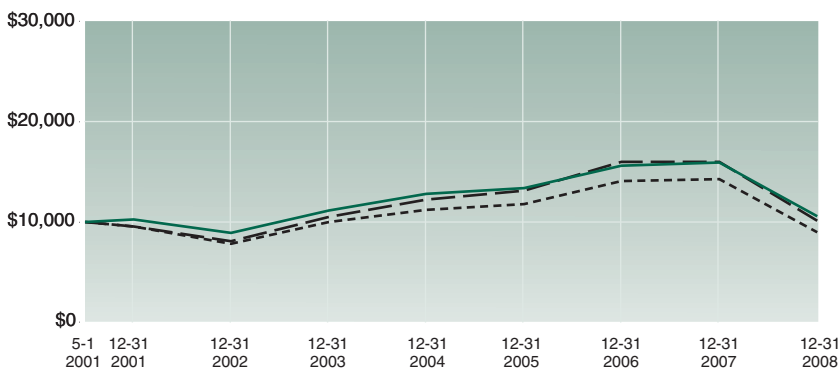
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP Value.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Value ⁽¹⁾ | \$10,522 |
| - - - | Russell 1000 Value Index ⁽²⁾ | \$10,090 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Large-Cap Value Funds Universe Average ⁽²⁾ | \$ 8,971 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2)Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the indexes (including income) are not available, investment in the indexes was effected as of April 30, 2001.

Average Annual Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -33.81% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | -1.14% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08 | 0.66% |

(3)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4)5-1-01 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders).

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF VALUE

Portfolio Highlights

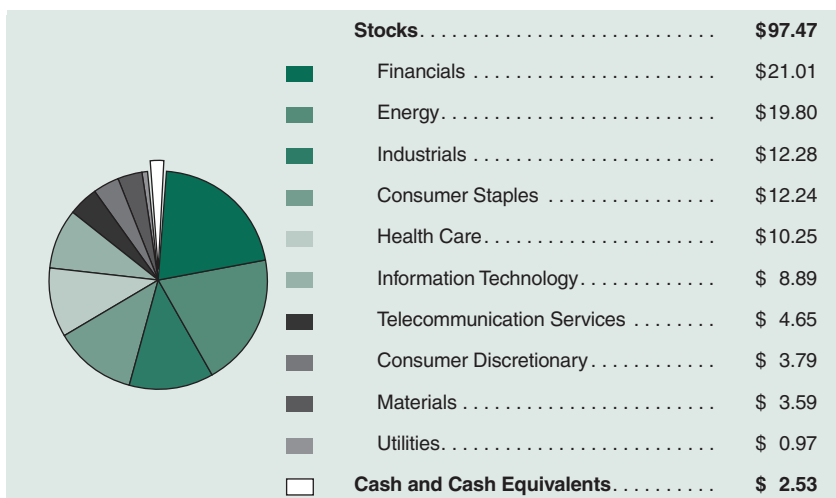
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On December 31, 2008, Value had net assets totaling \$231,428 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|--------------------------------------|
| 91.24% | Domestic Common and Preferred Stocks |
| 6.23% | Foreign Common Stocks |
| 2.53% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |

Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Value

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Aerospace & Defense – 4.10% | | |
| Lockheed Martin Corporation | 52 | \$ 4,381 |
| Raytheon Company | 100 | 5,104 |
| | | <u>9,485</u> |
| Airlines – 1.21% | | |
| Delta Air Lines, Inc. (A) | 159 | 1,822 |
| UAL Corporation (B) | 88 | 974 |
| | | <u>2,796</u> |
| Asset Management & Custody Banks – 0.32% | | |
| Blackstone Group L.P. (The) | 113 | 739 |
| Brewers – 2.12% | | |
| Molson Coors Brewing Company, Class B | 100 | 4,902 |
| Communications Equipment – 1.94% | | |
| Nokia Corporation, Series A, ADR | 288 | 4,494 |
| Computer Hardware – 5.74% | | |
| Hewlett-Packard Company | 241 | 8,749 |
| International Business Machines Corporation | 54 | 4,545 |
| | | <u>13,294</u> |
| Construction & Engineering – 0.30% | | |
| Chicago Bridge & Iron Company N.V., NY Shares | 70 | 700 |
| Consumer Finance – 2.45% | | |
| Capital One Financial Corporation (B) | 178 | 5,677 |
| Department Stores – 1.65% | | |
| Macy's Inc. | 368 | 3,810 |
| Diversified Chemicals – 0.61% | | |
| Solutia Inc. (A) | 317 | 1,426 |
| Environmental & Facilities Services – 1.90% | | |
| Waste Management, Inc. | 133 | 4,401 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 155.

The Investments of Value

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Health Care Distributors – 7.05% | | |
| AmerisourceBergen Corporation | 194 | \$ 6,922 |
| McKesson Corporation | 242 | 9,384 |
| | | <u>16,306</u> |
| Home Improvement Retail – 1.29% | | |
| Home Depot, Inc. (The) | 130 | 2,993 |
| | | <u>2,993</u> |
| Industrial Machinery – 2.21% | | |
| Illinois Tool Works Inc. (B) | 146 | 5,103 |
| | | <u>5,103</u> |
| Integrated Oil & Gas – 13.02% | | |
| Chevron Corporation | 165 | 12,168 |
| Exxon Mobil Corporation | 96 | 7,648 |
| Marathon Oil Corporation | 206 | 5,631 |
| Occidental Petroleum Corporation | 78 | 4,685 |
| | | <u>30,132</u> |
| Integrated Telecommunication Services – 4.65% | | |
| Verizon Communications Inc. | 317 | 10,753 |
| | | <u>10,753</u> |
| Managed Health Care – 2.56% | | |
| UnitedHealth Group Incorporated (B) | 223 | 5,934 |
| | | <u>5,934</u> |
| Metal & Glass Containers – 1.99% | | |
| Pactiv Corporation (A) | 185 | 4,598 |
| | | <u>4,598</u> |
| Mortgage REITs – 3.17% | | |
| Annaly Capital Management, Inc. | 463 | 7,346 |
| | | <u>7,346</u> |
| Multi-Utilities – 0.97% | | |
| Duke Energy Corporation | 150 | 2,250 |
| | | <u>2,250</u> |
| Office Electronics – 1.21% | | |
| Xerox Corporation | 350 | 2,793 |
| | | <u>2,793</u> |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 1.94% | | |
| Devon Energy Corporation | 68 | 4,482 |
| | | <u>4,482</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 155.

The Investments of Value

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation – 4.85% | | |
| Atlas Pipeline Partners, L.P. | 81 | \$ 485 |
| Boardwalk Pipeline Partners, LP | 64 | 1,133 |
| Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. | 88 | 1,418 |
| Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. | 42 | 1,442 |
| Enterprise Products Partners L.P. | 238 | 4,932 |
| MarkWest Energy Partners, L.P. | 73 | 584 |
| Regency Energy Partners LP | 153 | 1,228 |
| | | <u>11,222</u> |
| Other Diversified Financial Services – 3.23% | | |
| Bank of America Corporation | 149 | 2,094 |
| J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. (B) | 171 | 5,378 |
| | | <u>7,472</u> |
| Packaged Foods & Meats – 4.55% | | |
| General Mills, Inc. (B) | 88 | 5,364 |
| Kraft Foods Inc. | 193 | 5,169 |
| | | <u>10,533</u> |
| Pharmaceuticals – 0.64% | | |
| Johnson & Johnson | 25 | 1,478 |
| Property & Casualty Insurance – 8.20% | | |
| ACE Limited | 86 | 4,540 |
| Allstate Corporation (The) | 125 | 4,108 |
| Travelers Companies, Inc. (The) | 228 | 10,324 |
| | | <u>18,972</u> |
| Railroads – 2.56% | | |
| Union Pacific Corporation (B) | 124 | 5,932 |
| Regional Banks – 1.61% | | |
| SunTrust Banks, Inc. | 41 | 1,199 |
| Zions Bancorporation | 103 | 2,520 |
| | | <u>3,719</u> |
| Reinsurance – 2.02% | | |
| Endurance Specialty Holdings Ltd. | 73 | 2,213 |
| Everest Re Group, Ltd. | 28 | 2,124 |
| RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. | 7 | 351 |
| | | <u>4,688</u> |
| Restaurants – 0.65% | | |
| Jack in the Box Inc. (A) | 68 | 1,506 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 155.

The Investments of Value

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Specialty Stores – 0.20% | | |
| Office Depot, Inc. (A) | 153 | \$ 456 |
| Tobacco – 5.57% | | |
| Altria Group, Inc. | 168 | 2,523 |
| Lorillard, Inc. | 76 | 4,288 |
| Philip Morris International Inc. | 140 | 6,087 |
| | | <u>12,898</u> |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 96.48% | | \$223,290 |
| (Cost: \$256,165) | | |
| PREFERRED STOCKS – 0.99% | | |
| Diversified Metals & Mining | | |
| Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc., 6.75% Cumulative Convertible | 48 | <u>\$ 2,278</u> |
| (Cost: \$2,343) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., 0.050%, 1–2–09 | \$1,609 | 1,609 |
| AT&T Inc., 0.180%, 2–12–09 | 2,000 | 1,999 |
| Hershey Company (The), 0.150%, 1–28–09 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation, 0.550%, 1–28–09 | 2,000 | 1,999 |
| | | <u>7,107</u> |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 3.07% | | \$ 7,107 |
| (Cost: \$7,107) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 100.54% | | \$232,675 |
| (Cost: \$265,615) | | |
| LIABILITIES, NET OF CASH AND OTHER ASSETS – (0.54%) | | (1,247) |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$231,428 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 155.

The Investments of Value

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Securities serve as cover for the following written options outstanding at December 31, 2008:

| Underlying Security | Contracts Subject to Call | Expiration Month/ Exercise Price | Premium Received | Market Value |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| General Mills, Inc. | 1 | January/60.0 | \$ 228 | \$ 146 |
| Illinois Tool Works Inc. | —* | March/40.0 | 39 | 28 |
| J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. | —* | March/37.5 | 73 | 41 |
| UAL Corporation | 1 | March/22.5 | 77 | 31 |
| Union Pacific Corporation | —* | January/70.0 | 61 | 1 |
| UnitedHealth Group Incorporated | 2 | February/30.0 | 168 | 221 |
| | | | <u>\$ 646</u> | <u>\$ 468</u> |

| Underlying Security | Contracts Subject to Put | Expiration Month/ Exercise Price | Premium Received | Market Value |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Molson Coors Brewing Company, Class B | —* | January/50.0 | <u>\$ 39</u> | <u>\$ 32</u> |

*Not shown due to rounding as amount is less than 500.

The following acronym is used throughout this portfolio:

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

Industry classifications are unaudited

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

VALUE

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$265,615) | \$232,675 |
| Cash | 143 |
| Receivables: | |
| Investment securities sold | 2,277 |
| Dividends and interest | 728 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 84 |
| Total assets | <u>235,907</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 3,914 |
| Outstanding written options – at value (premium received – \$685) | 500 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 30 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 7 |
| Accrued management fee | 4 |
| Accrued service fee | 2 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 22 |
| Total liabilities | <u>4,479</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$231,428</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 56 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 296,076 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 4,557 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (36,506) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (32,755) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$231,428</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 4.1537</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 55,716 |
| Capital shares authorized | 120,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

VALUE

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$28) | \$ 7,318 |
| Interest and amortization | 284 |
| Total income | <u>7,602</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Investment management fee | 2,114 |
| Service fee | 754 |
| Accounting services fee | 93 |
| Custodian fees | 15 |
| Audit fees | 12 |
| Legal fees | 12 |
| Shareholder servicing | 3 |
| Other | 57 |
| Total | <u>3,060</u> |
| Less expenses in excess of limit | (31) |
| Total expenses | <u>3,029</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>4,573</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|---------------------------|
| Realized net loss on securities | (35,601) |
| Realized net gain on written options | 760 |
| Realized net loss on investments | <u>(34,841)</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of securities during the period | (89,786) |
| Unrealized appreciation in value of written options during the period | 61 |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(89,725)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(124,566)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(119,993)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

VALUE

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 4,573 | \$ 4,299 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (34,841) | 22,725 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (89,725) | (19,511) |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (119,993) | 7,513 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (747) | (3,600) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (2,341) | (23,248) |
| | (3,088) | (26,848) |
| Capital share transactions | (9,474) | 9,587 |
| Total decrease | (132,555) | (9,748) |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 363,983 | 373,731 |
| End of period | \$231,428 | \$363,983 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | \$ 4,557 | \$ 732 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 6,712 | 4,262 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 772 | 4,219 |
| Shares redeemed | (8,963) | (6,715) |
| Increase (decrease) in outstanding capital shares | (1,479) | 1,766 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 34,913 | \$ 30,092 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 3,088 | 26,848 |
| Value redeemed | (47,475) | (47,353) |
| Increase (decrease) in outstanding capital | \$ (9,474) | \$ 9,587 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

VALUE

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$6.3640 | \$6.7426 | \$6.0701 | \$6.2226 | \$5.4790 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | 0.0826 | 0.0802 | 0.0747 | 0.0918 | 0.0619 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain | | | | | |
| (loss) on | | | | | |
| investments | (2.2367) | 0.0480 | 0.9499 | 0.1831 | 0.7437 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (2.1541) | 0.1282 | 1.0246 | 0.2749 | 0.8056 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.0136) | (0.0680) | (0.0740) | (0.0916) | (0.0620) |
| Capital gains | (0.0426) | (0.4388) | (0.2781) | (0.3358) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.0562) | (0.5068) | (0.3521) | (0.4274) | (0.0620) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$4.1537 | \$6.3640 | \$6.7426 | \$6.0701 | \$6.2226 |
| Total return | -33.81% | 1.90% | 16.88% | 4.42% | 14.70% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$231 | \$364 | \$374 | \$353 | \$340 |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.01% | 1.01% | 1.01% | 1.02% | 1.03% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.52% | 1.12% | 1.12% | 1.42% | 1.13% |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.02% | 1.02% | 1.02% | 1.02% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.03% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.51% | 1.11% | 1.11% | 1.42% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.13% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 48% | 51% | 73% | 40% | 78% |

(1)There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Manager's Discussion of International Growth

(Unaudited)

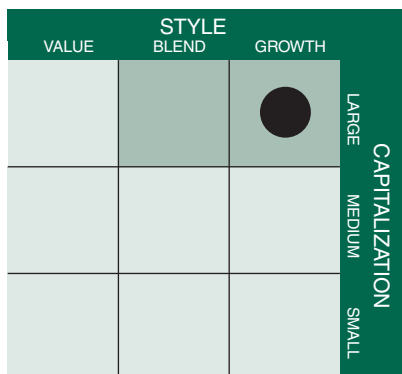
December 31, 2008



Below, Thomas A. Mengel, former portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP International Growth, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. He managed the Fund for 12 years.

At the beginning of January 2009, F. Chace Brundige, CFA, assumed portfolio manager responsibilities for the Portfolio. Mr. Brundige has 15 years of industry experience. He

joined Waddell & Reed in 2003 and holds an MBA from the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

We faced a horrible period for overseas stocks, marked by the worst calendar year performance for developed markets since MSCI indexes began tracking such data in 1969. We lost somewhat less money than both our benchmark and our Lipper peer group this past fiscal year, but we are nonetheless disappointed at our absolute results.

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds
VIP International Growth **-42.15%**

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

MSCI EAFE Growth Index **-42.70%**
(generally reflects the performance of international growth stocks)

Lipper Variable Annuity
International Growth Funds
Universe Average **-46.43%**

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

International financial meltdown

Government financial bailouts and a rapidly decelerating global economy were the headline issues of the year. Europe and Japan fell into recession while China's growth slowed substantially. A severe credit crunch, coupled with weakened demand in emerging markets, damaged economic activity, especially in the second half of the fiscal year.

Countries with weakened housing markets such as the United Kingdom, Ireland and Spain seemed especially vulnerable.

In the fourth quarter of 2008, industrial production plunged throughout Europe as the global crisis deepened, adding pressure on the European Central Bank to cut interest rates. The International Monetary Fund predicts the 16-nation euro area will shrink in 2009 for the first time since the single currency began a decade ago. According to the European Commission, the euro-area unemployment rate has increased to 7.8 percent while inflation has fallen to 1.6 percent. In December 2008, European Union leaders pledged economic-stimulus steps worth 200 billion euros (\$274 billion), or about 1.5 percent of gross domestic product, in an effort to combat the fallout from the financial crisis.

Our defensive posture helped a bit

Throughout the fiscal year we took steps in an attempt to preserve capital. We sold many financial stocks during the first half, including exchanges such as Deutsche Boerse, which had been our second largest holding at the end of fiscal year 2007. Overall, however, the Portfolio proved less resilient than we had hoped. We were overweight consumer staples such as Nestle S.A. and telecommunications firms and these sectors

outperformed the overall overseas equity market for the year. For the year as a whole, financials remained one of the weakest portions of the Portfolio. Most sectors were down 40 to 50 percent.

Health care stocks such as Bayer Aktiengesellschaft and Roche Holdings AG, two of our top 10 holdings at Dec. 31, 2008, generally retained the most value over the year, but even our positions in this sector dropped an average of 25 percent in value. On a country basis, our weightings in France and Switzerland increased during the year. We remained underweight Japan, where we think structural economic problems abound, and this helped. We preferred to focus on Japanese companies such as Nintendo that appear to have a more recession-resistant export product line and market share advantages.

Our outlook

On a global basis, we believe more de-leveraging needs to take place to correct global economic imbalances and excessive real estate and commodity speculation. Restoring confidence to the financial system is also key to limiting the depth and length of the global recession. We think credit availability and emerging market demand will be key factors in leading developed markets to recovery.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Country | Sector | Industry |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Nestle S.A., Registered Shares | Switzerland | Consumer Staples | Packaged Foods & Meats |
| Roche Holdings AG, Genussschein | Switzerland | Health Care | Pharmaceuticals |
| TOTAL S.A. | France | Energy | Integrated Oil & Gas |
| British American Tobacco p.l.c. | United Kingdom | Consumer Staples | Tobacco |
| Bayer Aktiengesellschaft | Germany | Materials | Diversified Chemicals |
| E.ON AG | Germany | Utilities | Electric Utilities |
| Nintendo Co., Ltd. | Japan | Information Technology | Home Entertainment Software |
| Vodafone Group Plc | United Kingdom | Telecommunication Services | Wireless Telecommunication Service |
| VINCI | France | Industrials | Construction & Engineering |
| Fresenius AG | Germany | Health Care | Health Care Facilities/Supplies |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

While developed economies have suffered protracted recessions and periods of deflation (falling consumer prices) or high inflation in the past, the policy backdrop for such events was distinctly different than the current financial situation. We hope that the lessons of history have been learned. To us it appears that U.S. Federal Reserve actions show a consistent attempt to find creative solutions. In the last three quarters alone the Fed has nearly tripled its balance sheet, while significantly reducing the short-term interest rate (which currently stands at nearly zero

percent). Meanwhile, nearly every major overseas central bank has cut interest rates.

Over the next 12 months, we believe that it is possible the recession could deepen if developed market government action is slow or ineffective. In Europe, we are encouraged by European Central Bank rate cuts in January 2009, as well as a range of efforts in Germany to revive economic growth. We believe governments worldwide ultimately will be successful in bringing stability to the global financial system. How long this process takes, however, remains uncertain.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment. International investing involves additional risks, including currency fluctuations, political or economic conditions affecting the foreign country, and differences in accounting standards and foreign regulations. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

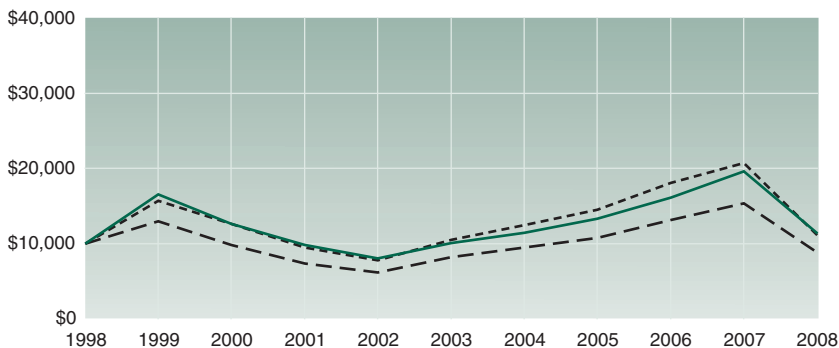
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP International Growth.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP International Growth ⁽¹⁾ | \$11,328 |
| - - - | MSCI EAFE Growth Index | \$ 8,772 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity International Growth Funds Universe Average | \$11,115 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -42.15% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | 2.43% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 1.26% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF INTERNATIONAL GROWTH

Portfolio Highlights

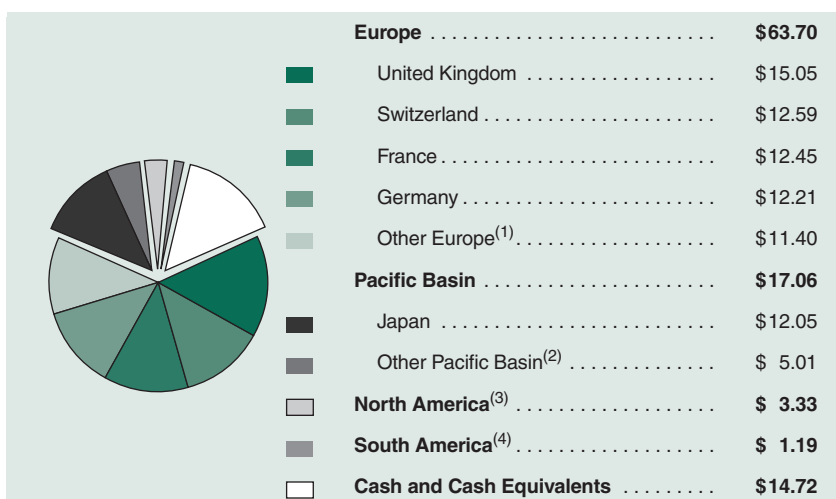
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On December 31, 2008, International Growth had net assets totaling \$159,498 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 81.98% | Foreign Common Stocks |
| 14.72% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 2.21% | Foreign Preferred Stocks |
| 1.09% | Domestic Common Stocks |

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio was invested by geographic region and by industry, respectively, as follows:

Country Weightings



(1) Includes \$0.83 Denmark, \$1.39 Finland, \$3.19 Italy, \$3.47 Netherlands, \$1.39 Spain and \$1.13 Sweden.

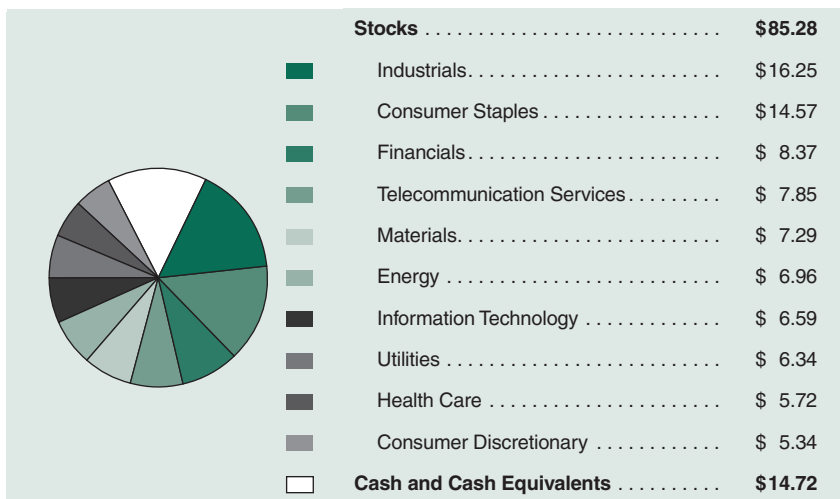
(2) Includes \$1.37 Australia, \$1.59 China and \$2.05 Hong Kong.

(3) Includes \$2.24 Canada and \$1.09 United States.

(4) Includes \$1.19 Brazil.

Sector Weightings

(Unaudited)



The Investments of International Growth

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|----------|
| Australia – 1.37% | | |
| Telstra Corporation Limited (A) | 800 | \$ 2,183 |
| Brazil – 1.19% | | |
| Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. – Petrobras, ADR | 78 | 1,901 |
| Canada – 2.24% | | |
| Shoppers Drug Mart Corporation (A)(B) | 40 | 1,566 |
| Shoppers Drug Mart Corporation (A) | 51 | 2,012 |
| | | 3,578 |
| China – 1.59% | | |
| China Life Insurance Company Limited, ADR | 35 | 1,638 |
| China South Locomotive & Rolling Stock Corporation Limited, H Shares (A)(B)(C) | 1,650 | 896 |
| | | 2,534 |
| Denmark – 0.83% | | |
| Carlsberg Group (A)(C) | 41 | 1,324 |
| Finland – 1.39% | | |
| Fortum Oyj (A) | 66 | 1,424 |
| Nokia OYJ (A) | 50 | 784 |
| | | 2,208 |
| France – 12.45% | | |
| ALSTOM (A) | 27 | 1,609 |
| EDF SA (A)(C) | 33 | 1,919 |
| Pinault-Printemps-Redoute SA (A)(C) | 20 | 1,277 |
| Schneider Electric SA (A) | 20 | 1,452 |
| Societe Generale (A) | 47 | 2,359 |
| Technip-Coflexip (A)(C) | 60 | 1,833 |
| TOTAL S.A. (A) | 100 | 5,498 |
| VINCI (A) | 93 | 3,908 |
| | | 19,855 |
| Germany – 10.00% | | |
| BASF Aktiengesellschaft (A)(C) | 24 | 926 |
| Bayer Aktiengesellschaft (A) | 74 | 4,295 |
| E.ON AG (A) | 110 | 4,256 |
| K+S Aktiengesellschaft (A) | 18 | 1,051 |
| Siemens AG (A) | 42 | 3,169 |
| Vossloh AG (A) | 20 | 2,244 |
| | | 15,941 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 169.

The Investments of International Growth

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Hong Kong – 2.05% | | |
| Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited (A) | 169 | \$ 1,612 |
| China Mobile (Hong Kong) Limited, ADR | 33 | 1,663 |
| | | <u>3,275</u> |
| Italy – 3.19% | | |
| Banca Intesa S.p.A. (A) | 536 | 1,946 |
| Finmeccanica SpA (A) | 82 | 1,274 |
| Saipem S.p.A. (A) | 109 | 1,859 |
| | | <u>5,079</u> |
| Japan – 12.05% | | |
| Canon Inc. (A) | 32 | 998 |
| Central Japan Railway Company (A) | —* | 1,995 |
| East Japan Railway Company (A) | 33 | 2,508 |
| Japan Tobacco Inc. (A) | 1 | 2,981 |
| Mitsubishi Electric Corporation (A) | 355 | 2,225 |
| Nintendo Co., Ltd. (A) | 11 | 4,204 |
| Shin-Etsu Chemical Co., Ltd. (A) | 44 | 2,007 |
| YAMADA-DENKI Co., Ltd. (A)(C) | 33 | 2,307 |
| | | <u>19,225</u> |
| Netherlands – 3.47% | | |
| Heineken N.V. (A) | 48 | 1,454 |
| Koninklijke KPN N.V. (A)(C) | 158 | 2,297 |
| Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., Ordinary Shares (A) | 90 | 1,787 |
| | | <u>5,538</u> |
| Spain – 1.39% | | |
| Telefonica, S.A. (A) | 99 | 2,223 |
| | | <u>2,223</u> |
| Sweden – 1.13% | | |
| H & M Hennes & Mauritz AB (A) | 45 | 1,808 |
| | | <u>1,808</u> |
| Switzerland – 12.59% | | |
| Credit Suisse Group, Registered Shares (A)(C) | 63 | 1,766 |
| Nestle S.A., Registered Shares (A) | 151 | 5,987 |
| Roche Holdings AG, Genussschein (A) | 36 | 5,605 |
| Syngenta AG (A) | 14 | 2,778 |
| TEMENOS Group AG (A)(C) | 134 | 1,808 |
| Zurich Financial Services, Registered Shares (A) | 10 | 2,141 |
| | | <u>20,085</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 169.

The Investments of International Growth

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|------------------|-----------------|
| United Kingdom – 15.05% | | |
| Anglo American plc (A) | 24 | \$ 578 |
| BAE Systems plc (A) | 523 | 2,888 |
| British American Tobacco p.l.c. (A) | 182 | 4,818 |
| IG Group Holdings plc (A)(B) | 258 | 983 |
| Informa plc (A) | 373 | 1,339 |
| National Grid plc (A) | 250 | 2,507 |
| Prudential plc (A) | 307 | 1,888 |
| Reckitt Benckiser Group plc (A) | 82 | 3,099 |
| Serco Group plc (A) | 263 | 1,748 |
| Vodafone Group Plc (A) | 2,000 | 4,156 |
| | | 24,004 |
| United States – 1.09% | | |
| Research In Motion Limited (C) | 43 | 1,737 |
| | | \$132,498 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 83.07% | | |
| (Cost: \$152,502) | | |
| PREFERRED STOCKS – 2.21% | | |
| Germany | | |
| Fresenius AG (A) | 61 | \$ 3,523 |
| (Cost: \$3,920) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | | |
| | Principal | |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| AT&T Inc., 0.180%, 2–12–09 | \$4,000 | 3,999 |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., 0.050%, 1–2–09 | 614 | 614 |
| Campbell Soup Co., 0.050%, 1–28–09 | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| Caterpillar Inc., 0.160%, 1–26–09 | 5,000 | 4,999 |
| Heinz (H.J.) Finance Co. (Heinz (H.J.) Co.), 4.550%, 1–8–09 | 1,653 | 1,652 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 169.

The Investments of International Growth

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Commercial Paper (Continued) | | |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1-5-09 | \$ 500 | \$ 500 |
| Praxair Inc., 0.120%, 2-17-09 | 1,160 | 1,160 |
| Siemens Capital Corp., 0.150%, 1-8-09 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation, 0.550%, 1-28-09 | 2,500 | 2,499 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 14.06% | | \$ 22,423 |
| (Cost: \$22,423) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.34% | | \$158,444 |
| (Cost: \$178,845) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.66% | | 1,054 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$159,498 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

The following forward currency contracts were outstanding at December 31, 2008:

| Type | Currency | Principal Amount Covered by Contract | Settlement Date | Unrealized Appreciation |
|------|--------------|---|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Buy | Japanese Yen | 295,000 | 2-12-09 | <u>\$236</u> |

*Not shown due to rounding as amount is less than 500.

(A) Listed on an exchange outside the United States.

(B) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be liquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$3,445 or 2.16% of net assets.

(C) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

The following acronym is used throughout this portfolio:

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

The Investments of International Growth

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

Notes to Schedule of Investments (Continued)

Market Industry Diversification

(as a % of net assets)

| | |
|---|--------|
| Tobacco | 4.89% |
| Electric Utilities | 4.77% |
| Integrated Oil & Gas | 4.64% |
| Integrated Telecommunication Services | 4.20% |
| Packaged Foods & Meats | 3.76% |
| Wireless Telecommunication Service | 3.65% |
| Pharamceuticals | 3.51% |
| Railroads | 3.38% |
| Diversivied Chemicals | 3.27% |
| Diversivied Banks | 2.70% |
| Home Entertainment Software | 2.63% |
| Aerospace & Defense | 2.61% |
| Construction & Engineering | 2.45% |
| Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals | 2.40% |
| Heavy Electrical Equipment | 2.40% |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services | 2.32% |
| Drug Retail | 2.24% |
| Life & Health Insurance | 2.21% |
| Health Care Facilities/Supplies | 2.21% |
| Industrial Conglomerates | 1.99% |
| Household Products | 1.94% |
| Brewers | 1.74% |
| Communications Equipment | 1.58% |
| Multi-Utilities | 1.57% |
| Computer & Electronics Retail | 1.45% |
| Construction & Farm Machinery & Heavy Tools | 1.41% |
| Multi-Line Insurance | 1.34% |
| Specialty Chemicals | 1.26% |
| Apparel Retail | 1.13% |
| Systems Software | 1.13% |
| Consumer Electronics | 1.12% |
| Diversified Capital Markets | 1.11% |
| Environmental & Facilities Services | 1.10% |
| Real Estate Development | 1.01% |
| Electrical Components & Equipment | 0.91% |
| Publishing | 0.84% |
| Department Stores | 0.80% |
| Office Electronics | 0.63% |
| Internet Software & Services | 0.62% |
| Diversivied Metals & Mining | 0.36% |
| Other+ | 14.72% |

+Includes cash and cash equivalents and other assets and liabilities

Geographical and industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

INTERNATIONAL GROWTH

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$178,845) | \$ 158,444 |
| Cash | 1 |
| Unrealized appreciation on forward currency contracts | 236 |
| Receivables: | |
| Dividends and interest | 770 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 135 |
| Total assets | <u>159,586</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 52 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 5 |
| Accrued management fee | 4 |
| Accrued service fee | 1 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 26 |
| Total liabilities | <u>88</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$ 159,498</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 27 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 203,258 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 2,667 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (26,311) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (20,143) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$ 159,498</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 6.0050</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 26,561 |
| Capital shares authorized | 60,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

INTERNATIONAL GROWTH

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$488) | \$ 5,016 |
| Interest and amortization | 427 |
| Total income | <u>5,443</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Investment management fee | 1,891 |
| Service fee | 557 |
| Accounting services fee | 82 |
| Custodian fees | 72 |
| Audit fees | 17 |
| Legal fees | 9 |
| Shareholder servicing | 2 |
| Other | 55 |
| Total | <u>2,685</u> |
| Less expenses in excess of limit | (63) |
| Total expenses | <u>2,622</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>2,821</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|---------------------------|
| Realized net loss on securities | (24,127) |
| Realized net gain on forward currency contracts | 59 |
| Realized net loss on foreign currency exchange transactions | (134) |
| Realized net loss on investments | <u>(24,202)</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of securities during the period | (96,295) |
| Unrealized appreciation in value of forward currency contracts during the period | 236 |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of foreign currency exchange transactions during the period | (27) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(96,086)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(120,288)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(117,467)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

INTERNATIONAL GROWTH

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 2,821 | \$ 1,653 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (24,202) | 33,303 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (96,086) | 15,914 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (117,467) | 50,870 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (569) | (1,500) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (4,744) | (7,000) |
| | (5,313) | (8,500) |
| Capital share transactions | (777) | (4,499) |
| Total increase (decrease) | (123,557) | 37,871 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 283,055 | 245,184 |
| End of period | \$159,498 | \$283,055 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income (loss) | \$ 2,667 | \$ (1,676) |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 4,761 | 2,725 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 911 | 791 |
| Shares redeemed | (5,445) | (4,021) |
| | 227 | (505) |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 39,783 | \$ 27,702 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 5,313 | 8,500 |
| Value redeemed | (45,873) | (40,701) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital | \$ (777) | \$ (4,499) |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

INTERNATIONAL GROWTH

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|----------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$10.7486 | \$ 9.1353 | \$7.5943 | \$6.6534 | \$5.8722 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment income . . . | 0.1075 | 0.0630 | 0.0672 | 0.0493 | 0.0367 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain (loss) | | | | | |
| on investments | (4.6438) | 1.8829 | 1.5263 | 1.0465 | 0.7853 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (4.5363) | 1.9459 | 1.5935 | 1.0958 | 0.8220 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income . . . | (0.0222) | (0.0587) | (0.0525) | (0.1549) | (0.0408) |
| Capital gains | (0.1851) | (0.2739) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.2073) | (0.3326) | (0.0525) | (0.1549) | (0.0408) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$ 6.0050 | \$10.7486 | \$9.1353 | \$7.5943 | \$6.6534 |
| Total return | -42.15% | 21.29% | 20.99% | 16.47% | 14.00% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$159 | \$283 | \$245 | \$206 | \$187 |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.18% | 1.17% | 1.20% | 1.21% | 1.20% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.27% | 0.63% | 0.81% | 0.67% | 0.59% |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.21% | 1.20% | 1.21% | 1.21% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.20% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average net | | | | | |
| assets excluding expense | | | | | |
| waiver | 1.24% | 0.60% | 0.80% | 0.67% ⁽¹⁾ | 0.59% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 96% | 95% | 96% | 86% | 81% |

(1)There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

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Manager's Discussion of International Value

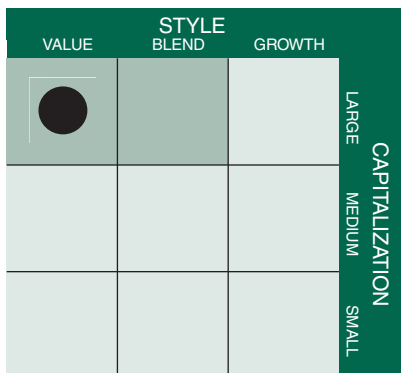
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December 31, 2008



Ivy Funds VIP International Value is subadvised by Templeton Investment Counsel, LLC.

Below, E. Tucker Scott III, CFA, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP International Value, discusses the Portfolio's positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. He has managed the Portfolio for eight years and has 15 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

A dark year

To be sure, 2008 was a dark year in equity markets. In the last year alone, investors witnessed the seizing of global credit markets, the destruction of some \$30 trillion of stock market value, the spectacular decline of the mighty BRIC (Brazil, Russia, India and China) markets, the implosion of Wall Street's most storied investment banking institutions and the realization of recessionary economic conditions around the world. Most major

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Ivy Funds | |
| VIP International Value | -42.26% |
| Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category | |
| MSCI All Country World (excluding U.S.A.) Index | -45.24% |
| (generally reflects the performance of the international securities markets) | |
| Lipper Variable Annuity International Value Funds Universe Average | -43.53% |
| (generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives) | |

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

markets saw the worst returns since the Great Depression, the highest volatility since October 1987, and the weakest consumer confidence ever. During the fourth quarter, unemployment in the U.S. hit a 26-year high, home prices and manufacturing volumes contracted sharply, and the National Bureau of Economic Research reported that the U.S. entered a recession in December of 2007.

In a horrible fiscal year, our valuation discipline helped in sectors where we have reduced exposure in recent years. We have

long written that materials stocks appeared extremely overvalued, even showing characteristics indicative of a price bubble. To our chagrin, materials stocks soared in the first half of the year, when the sector was among our bigger detractors. However, as the economic reality of slowing demand finally brought a halt to the feverish capacity build-out in the metals and mining industry, commodities prices plummeted and the materials sector ended the year as one of our top three contributors to performance.

Underweighting of financials helped

We had been underweight the financials sector since before the beginning of the credit crisis, and this helped our relative results this past year. The lofty multiples, balance sheet opacity, and dubious earnings quality of the investment banks and brokerages steered us away from the industry's most leveraged companies. And while we sustained costly absolute losses from the financials we did own, our cautious exposure resulted in relative outperformance. While we have begun to buy some of the well-capitalized commercial banks that we believe should ultimately profit from the industry consolidation, we remain cautious.

While it would come as relief to many if we could declare that the market has bottomed, we simply cannot do so. Our case for buying now and holding is simply our belief that stocks have fallen to prices below the economic value of their businesses, and once the market exhausts its dark-day role as liquidity source of first resort and resumes its normalized function as value arbiter, such discrepancies likely will correct themselves. A look at bond markets reveals an even more baleful forecast; the yields on Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (known as TIPS, these Treasury bonds guarantee a rate of return above inflation) imply that we believe the U.S. economy is on the cusp of a deflationary wave that could potentially last a decade.

We believe the future is not as dire as the market predicts. While developed economies have suffered protracted deflationary periods in the past, the policy backdrop for such

events was distinctly different. The scale and scope of the U.S. government's current intervention in financial markets is without precedent. In the last three quarters alone the Federal Reserve has nearly tripled its balance sheet, a magnitude of growth that last took two decades. Also, the Fed has never targeted a lower interest rate, which now stands at nearly zero percent.

Global policymakers have taken note, to the extent that global fiscal stimulus pledges are now in the range of U.S. \$3 trillion; pledges for monetary stimulus are essentially infinite; and recapitalization, repurchase and relief programs abound. While the government's increased market presence is something of a wild card for investors in the near-term, our hunch is that it will ultimately be successful in preventing deflation. In fact, as long-term investors, we should be prepared for the potential inflationary implications of such aggressive actions.

Health care and telecommunications stocks outpaced the market

As fundamental value investors, we focus most intently on the valuation, earnings potential, cash flow generation and financial strength of individual securities. Despite significant and painful absolute losses, we outperformed our benchmark index over the course of the past fiscal year. But we still have ground to gain. Fortunately, there are an abundance of stars in the dark sky, and the market turmoil has given us the opportunity both to increase exposure to our highest convictions as well as to own stocks which we have long admired, but until now deemed too expensive for purchase.

One area of continued conviction is the health care sector, where our overweight position evolved over a time when the consensus view was that pharmaceutical companies faced a difficult pricing environment, political headwinds and insurmountable competition from cheaper generics. As we have stated previously, we favor health care for its bargain valuations; high, free cash-flow yields; and the revenue growth implications of aging global demographics. Our investment thesis has

begun to materialize in the sector as our health care holdings delivered the Portfolio's best performance in 2008.

Telecommunications stocks represent another major overweight position. Buying telecommunications stocks at a time when they were heavily out of favor was another contrarian call, but one that allowed us to purchase businesses with solid balance sheets, desirable products and a growing global presence at largely discounted prices. Though telecommunications stocks, like everything else, were down in absolute terms in 2008, our decision to overweight the sector did contribute to our outperformance of the benchmark.

Our outlook

While we do not know if the market will go up or down in 2009, we do believe that stocks currently represent the best value we have seen in years. The cyclically-adjusted P/E for the S&P 500 is the lowest it has been since the mid-1980s, the S&P's dividend yield exceeds the yield on 30-year Treasuries and the MSCI World Index is trading at its lowest earnings multiple in a quarter century.

Equities appear to be on sale, and though the global financial crisis still casts a long shadow over the world's stock markets, we are of the opinion that this, too, shall pass.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Country | Sector |
|--|----------------|----------------------------|
| France Telecom | France | Telecommunication Services |
| Sanofi-Aventis | France | Health Care |
| Vodafone Group Plc | United Kingdom | Telecommunication Services |
| BP p.l.c. | United Kingdom | Energy |
| Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., GDR | South Korea | Information Technology |
| ING Groep N.V., Certicaaten Van Aandelen | Netherlands | Financials |
| GlaxoSmithKline plc | United Kingdom | Health Care |
| Adecco S.A. | Switzerland | Industrials |
| Chungwa Telecom Co., Ltd., ADR | Taiwan | Telecommunication Services |
| Kingfisher plc | United Kingdom | Consumer Discretionary |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

International investing involves additional risks, including currency fluctuations, political or economic conditions affecting the foreign country, and differences in accounting standards and foreign regulations. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

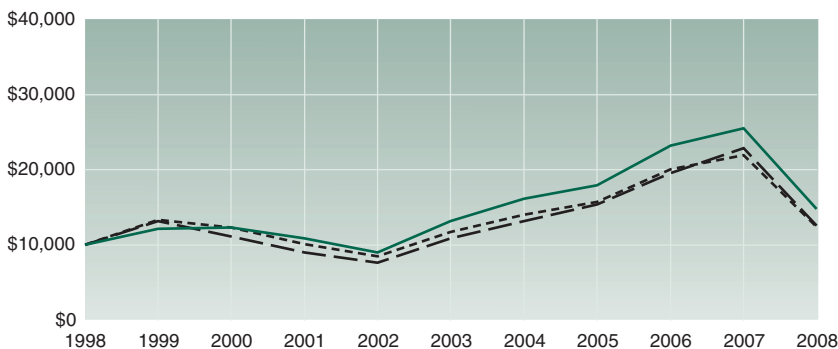
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP International Value.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|---|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP International Value ⁽¹⁾ | \$14,710 |
| - - - | MSCI AC World ex U.S.A. Index | \$12,516 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity International Value Funds Universe Average | \$12,354 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -42.26% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | 2.32% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 3.93% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

Advantus International Stock Portfolio was reorganized as Ivy Funds VIP International Value (formerly W&R Target International Value Portfolio) on September 22, 2003. Performance shown for the period prior to this date is the performance of the Advantus International Stock Portfolio. This performance has not been restated to reflect the expenses of Ivy Funds VIP International Value. If those expenses were reflected, performance of Ivy Funds VIP International Value would differ.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF INTERNATIONAL VALUE

Portfolio Highlights

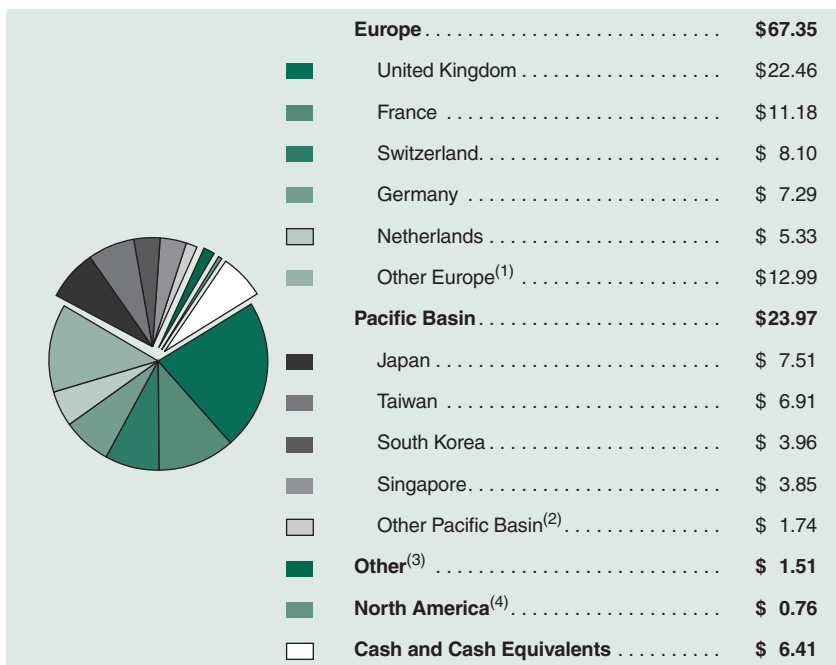
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On December 31, 2008, International Value had net assets totaling \$379,113 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|----------------------------------|
| 93.59% | Foreign Common Stocks and Rights |
| 6.41% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio was invested by geographic region and by industry, respectively, as follows:

Country Weightings



(1)Includes \$0.82 Austria, \$1.12 Belgium, \$1.83 Finland, \$3.35 Italy, \$2.65 Norway, \$1.69 Spain and \$1.53 Sweden.

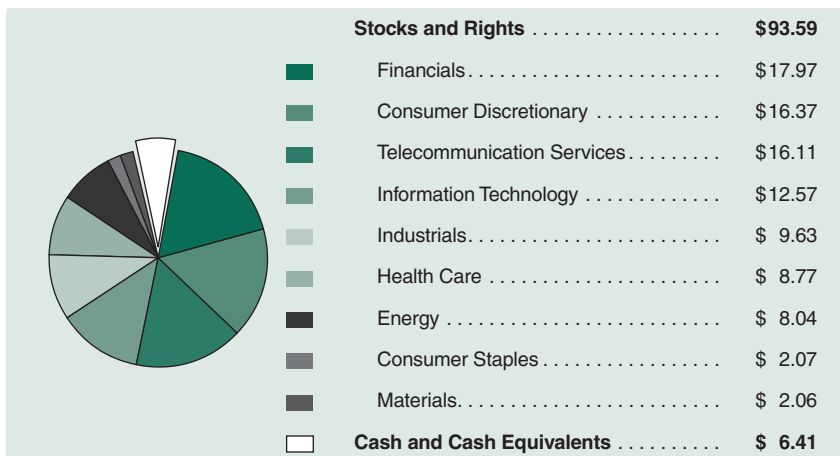
(2)Includes \$0.67 China and \$1.07 Hong Kong.

(3)Includes \$1.51 Israel.

(4)Includes \$0.76 Canada.

Sector Weightings

(Unaudited)



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| COMMON STOCKS AND RIGHTS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|----------|
| Austria – 0.82% | | |
| Telekom Austria Aktiengesellschaft (A) | 213 | \$ 3,094 |
| Belgium – 1.12% | | |
| Belgacom SA (A) | 111 | 4,256 |
| Canada – 0.76% | | |
| Biovail Corporation (A) | 306 | 2,899 |
| China – 0.67% | | |
| China Telecom Corporation Limited (A)(B) | 3,240 | 1,225 |
| China Telecom Corporation Limited (A) | 3,508 | 1,326 |
| Focus Media Holding Limited, ADR (C) | —* | 1 |
| | | 2,552 |
| Finland – 1.83% | | |
| Stora Enso Oyj, Class R (A) | 71 | 568 |
| Stora Enso Oyj, Class R (A) | 341 | 2,699 |
| UPM-Kymmene Corporation (A) | 286 | 3,670 |
| | | 6,937 |
| France – 11.18% | | |
| AXA S.A. (A) | 284 | 6,385 |
| France Telecom (A) | 497 | 13,845 |
| Sanofi-Aventis (A) | 162 | 10,337 |
| Sanofi-Aventis (A)(D) | 26 | 1,682 |
| THOMSON (A)(C) | 576 | 779 |
| TOTAL S.A. (A) | 119 | 6,531 |
| Vivendi Universal (A) | 87 | 2,826 |
| | | 42,385 |
| Germany – 7.29% | | |
| Bayerische Motoren Werke Aktiengesellschaft (A) | 105 | 3,283 |
| Deutsche Post AG (A) | 306 | 5,128 |
| Infineon Technologies AG (A)(C) | 1,245 | 1,660 |
| Munchener Ruckversicherungs-Gesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft, Registered Shares (A) | 41 | 6,279 |
| SAP Aktiengesellschaft (A) | 136 | 4,901 |
| Siemens AG (A) | 85 | 6,382 |
| | | 27,633 |
| Hong Kong – 1.07% | | |
| Hutchison Whampoa Limited, Ordinary Shares (A) | 807 | 4,074 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 185.

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| COMMON STOCKS AND RIGHTS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Israel – 1.51% | | |
| Check Point Software Technologies Ltd. (C) | 302 | \$ 5,741 |
| Italy – 3.35% | | |
| AUTOGRILL S.p.A. (A) | 606 | 4,641 |
| Eni S.p.A. (A) | 258 | 6,202 |
| UniCredit S.p.A. (A) | 726 | 1,846 |
| | | <u>12,689</u> |
| Japan – 7.51% | | |
| AIFUL Corporation (A) | 113 | 325 |
| Kabushiki Kaisha Mitsubishi Tokyo Financial Group (A) | 575 | 3,613 |
| NGK SPARK PLUG CO., LTD. (A) | 419 | 3,366 |
| Olympus Corporation (A)(C) | 205 | 4,104 |
| Promise Co., Ltd. (A) | 96 | 2,439 |
| Sony Corporation (A) | 179 | 3,919 |
| Toyota Motor Corporation (A) | 151 | 4,975 |
| USS Co., Ltd. (A) | 108 | 5,728 |
| | | <u>28,469</u> |
| Netherlands – 5.33% | | |
| ING Groep N.V., Certicaaten Van Aandelen (A) | 735 | 8,085 |
| Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., Ordinary Shares (A) | 201 | 3,976 |
| Randstad Holding nv (A)(C) | 183 | 3,737 |
| Reed Elsevier NV (A) | 369 | 4,389 |
| | | <u>20,187</u> |
| Norway – 2.65% | | |
| Aker Solutions ASA (A) | 390 | 2,579 |
| Norske Skogindustrier ASA (A)(C) | 448 | 888 |
| Telenor ASA (A) | 976 | 6,588 |
| | | <u>10,055</u> |
| Singapore – 3.85% | | |
| DBS Group Holdings Ltd (A) | 300 | 1,767 |
| DBS Group Holdings Ltd, Rights (A)(C) | 150 | 319 |
| Flextronics International Ltd. (C) | 2,449 | 6,270 |
| Singapore Telecommunications Limited (A) | 2,447 | 4,361 |
| Venture Corporation Limited (A) | 612 | 1,872 |
| | | <u>14,589</u> |
| South Korea – 3.96% | | |
| KB Financial Group Inc., ADR | 113 | 2,965 |
| KT Corporation, ADR (C) | 214 | 3,133 |
| Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., GDR (B) | 50 | 8,896 |
| | | <u>14,994</u> |

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| COMMON STOCKS AND RIGHTS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|----------|
| Spain – 1.69% | | |
| Telefonica, S.A., ADR | 95 | \$ 6,420 |
| Sweden – 1.53% | | |
| Niscayah Group AB (A) | 1,476 | 1,311 |
| Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson, B Shares (A) | 570 | 4,488 |
| | | 5,799 |
| Switzerland – 8.10% | | |
| ACE Limited | 84 | 4,433 |
| Adecco S.A. (A) | 206 | 7,048 |
| Nestle S.A., Registered Shares (A) | 93 | 3,685 |
| Novartis AG, Registered Shares (A) | 126 | 6,318 |
| Swiss Reinsurance Company, Registered Shares (A) | 133 | 6,514 |
| UBS AG (A)(C) | 185 | 2,699 |
| | | 30,697 |
| Taiwan – 6.91% | | |
| Chunghwa Telecom Co., Ltd., ADR (C) | 430 | 6,715 |
| Compal Electronics Inc., GDR (B)(C) | 534 | 1,403 |
| Compal Electronics Inc., GDR (C) | 457 | 1,200 |
| Lite-On Technology Corporation (A)(C) | 1,850 | 1,217 |
| Lite-On Technology Corporation, GDR (A)(C) | 545 | 3,560 |
| Mega Financial Holding Company (A) | 15,986 | 5,638 |
| Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd. (A) | 4,725 | 6,448 |
| | | 26,181 |
| United Kingdom – 22.46% | | |
| Aviva plc (A) | 788 | 4,531 |
| BP p.l.c. (A) | 1,190 | 9,320 |
| British Sky Broadcasting Group plc (A) | 738 | 5,288 |
| Compass Group PLC (A) | 613 | 3,103 |
| GlaxoSmithKline plc (A) | 419 | 7,903 |
| Group 4 Securicor plc (A) | 1,931 | 5,835 |
| HBOS plc (A) | 227 | 239 |
| HBOS plc, Rights (A)(C) | 314 | —* |
| HSBC Holdings plc (A) | 545 | 5,414 |
| Kingfisher plc (A) | 3,306 | 6,608 |
| Marks and Spencer Group plc (A)(C) | 848 | 2,698 |
| Old Mutual plc (A) | 3,953 | 3,224 |
| Pearson plc (A) | 322 | 3,075 |
| Persimmon plc (A) | 995 | 3,375 |

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(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS AND RIGHTS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|---------------|------------------|
| United Kingdom (Continued) | | |
| Premier Brands Foods plc (A) | 1,535 | \$ 681 |
| Rentokil Initial plc (A) | 4,647 | 3,015 |
| Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc (The) (A) | 1,871 | 1,398 |
| Royal Dutch Shell plc, Class B (A) | 227 | 5,831 |
| tesco plc (A) | 657 | 3,472 |
| Vodafone Group Plc (A) | 4,878 | 10,136 |
| | | 85,146 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 93.59% | | \$354,797 |
| (Cost: \$506,332) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | | Principal |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Caterpillar Inc., | | |
| 0.160%, 1–26–09 | \$5,000 | 4,999 |
| Heinz (H.J.) Finance Co. (Heinz (H.J.) Co.), | | |
| 4.550%, 1–8–09 | 2,342 | 2,340 |
| Hershey Company (The), | | |
| 0.150%, 1–28–09 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| ITT Corporation, | | |
| 2.000%, 1–5–09 | 1,606 | 1,606 |
| McCormick & Co. Inc., | | |
| 0.150%, 1–2–09 | 500 | 500 |
| Procter & Gamble International Funding S.C.A. | | |
| (Procter & Gamble Company (The)), | | |
| 1.100%, 1–8–09 | 3,000 | 2,999 |
| Siemens Capital Corp., | | |
| 0.150%, 1–8–09 | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation, | | |
| 0.550%, 1–28–09 | 2,000 | 1,999 |
| | | 19,943 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 5.26% | | \$ 19,943 |
| (Cost: \$19,943) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 98.85% | | \$374,740 |
| (Cost: \$526,275) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 1.15% | | 4,373 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$379,113 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 185.

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(In Thousands)

Notes to Schedule of Investments

*Not shown due to rounding as amount is less than 500.

(A) Listed on an exchange outside the United States.

(B) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be illiquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$11,524 or 3.04% of net assets.

(C) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(D) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be liquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$1,682 or 0.44% of net assets.

The following acronyms are used throughout this portfolio:

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

GDR = Global Depositary Receipts

Geographical and Industry classifications are unaudited.

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(In Thousands)

Notes to Schedule of Investments (Continued)

Market Industry Diversification

(as a % of net assets)

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Integrated Telecommunication Services | 13.44% |
| Pharmaceuticals | 7.69% |
| Integrated Oil & Gas | 7.36% |
| Diversified Banks | 6.12% |
| Semiconductors | 4.49% |
| Multi-Line Insurance | 2.88% |
| Industrial Conglomerates | 2.75% |
| Wireless Telecommunication Service | 2.67% |
| Consumer Electronics | 2.30% |
| Automobile Manufacturers | 2.18% |
| Electronic Manufacturing Services | 2.15% |
| Other Diversified Financial Services | 2.13% |
| Paper Products | 2.06% |
| Restaurants | 2.04% |
| Publishing | 1.97% |
| Security & Alarm Services | 1.89% |
| Research & Consulting Services | 1.86% |
| Home Improvement Retail | 1.74% |
| Reinsurance | 1.72% |
| Insurance Brokers | 1.66% |
| Automotive Retail | 1.51% |
| Systems Software | 1.51% |
| Cable & Satellite | 1.39% |
| Air Freight & Logistics | 1.35% |
| Application Software | 1.29% |
| Computer Storage & Peripherals | 1.26% |
| Communication Equipment | 1.18% |
| Property & Casualty Insurance | 1.17% |
| Packaged Foods & Meats | 1.15% |
| Health Care Equipment | 1.08% |
| Human Resource & Employment Services | 0.98% |
| Food Retail | 0.92% |
| Homebuilding | 0.89% |
| Auto Parts & Equipment | 0.89% |
| Life & Health Insurance | 0.85% |
| Environmental & Facilities Services | 0.80% |
| Movies & Entertainment | 0.75% |
| Consumer Finance | 0.73% |
| Diversified Capital Markets | 0.71% |
| Department Stores | 0.71% |
| Computer Hardware | 0.69% |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services | 0.68% |
| Other+ | 6.41% |

+Includes cash and cash equivalents and other assets and liabilities

Geographical and Industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

INTERNATIONAL VALUE

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$526,275) | \$374,740 |
| Cash | 1 |
| Cash denominated in foreign currencies (cost – \$2,482) | 2,512 |
| Receivables: | |
| Dividends and interest | 1,536 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 476 |
| Total assets | <u>379,265</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 90 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 10 |
| Accrued management fee | 9 |
| Accrued service fee | 3 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | 1 |
| Other | 39 |
| Total liabilities | <u>152</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$379,113</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|---|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 30 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 491,652 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 14,458 |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain on investment transactions | 24,540 |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (151,567) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$379,113</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$12.4613</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 30,423 |
| Capital shares authorized | 60,000 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

INTERNATIONAL VALUE

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|---|---------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$2,411) | \$ 21,289 |
| Interest and amortization | 315 |
| Total income | <u>21,604</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Investment management fee | 4,332 |
| Service fee | 1,274 |
| Accounting services fee | 141 |
| Custodian fees | 116 |
| Legal fees | 27 |
| Audit fees | 19 |
| Shareholder servicing | 5 |
| Other | 102 |
| Total expenses | <u>6,016</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>15,588</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|--|---------------------------|
| Realized net gain on securities | 24,549 |
| Realized net loss on foreign currency exchange transactions | (327) |
| Realized net gain on investments | <u>24,222</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of securities during the period | (310,036) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of foreign currency exchange transactions during the period | (165) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(310,201)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(285,979)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(270,391)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

INTERNATIONAL VALUE

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 15,588 | \$ 11,230 |
| Realized net gain on investments | 24,222 | 56,461 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (310,201) | (9,852) |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (270,391) | 57,839 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (2,657) | (10,000) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (10,555) | (57,000) |
| | (13,212) | (67,000) |
| Capital share transactions | 27,050 | 56,316 |
| Total increase (decrease) | (256,553) | 47,155 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 635,666 | 588,511 |
| End of period | \$379,113 | \$635,666 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | \$ 14,458 | \$ 1,854 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 4,300 | 2,131 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 1,099 | 2,992 |
| Shares redeemed | (3,362) | (2,572) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | 2,037 | 2,551 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 73,282 | \$ 51,279 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 13,212 | 67,000 |
| Value redeemed | (59,444) | (61,963) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | \$ 27,050 | \$ 56,316 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

INTERNATIONAL VALUE

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period . . . | \$22.3935 | \$22.7794 | \$19.1711 | \$19.1681 | \$15.8947 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment | | | | | |
| operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income | 0.5116 | 0.4391 | 0.4593 | 0.3199 | 0.2759 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain | | | | | |
| (loss) on | | | | | |
| investments | (9.9918) | 1.8126 | 5.2176 | 1.8192 | 3.3285 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (9.4802) | 2.2517 | 5.6769 | 2.1391 | 3.6044 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income | (0.0909) | (0.3937) | (0.4097) | (0.4226) | (0.1850) |
| Capital gains | (0.3611) | (2.2439) | (1.6589) | (1.7135) | (0.1460) |
| Total distributions | (0.4520) | (2.6376) | (2.0686) | (2.1361) | (0.3310) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$12.4613 | \$22.3935 | \$22.7794 | \$19.1711 | \$19.1681 |
| Total return | -42.26% | 9.88% | 29.61% | 11.16% | 22.68% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$379 | \$636 | \$589 | \$463 | \$401 |
| Ratio of expenses to | | | | | |
| average net assets . . . | 1.18% | 1.18% | 1.18% | 1.19% | 1.19% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets | 3.07% | 1.81% | 2.13% | 1.63% | 1.65% |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 20% | 23% | 29% | 23% | 31% |

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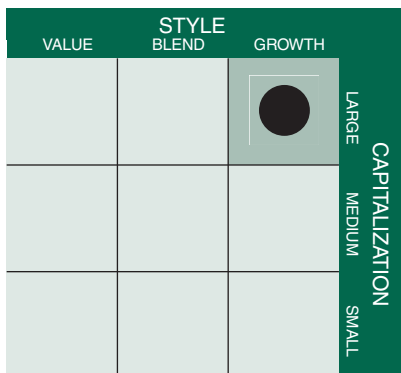
Managers' Discussion of Asset Strategy

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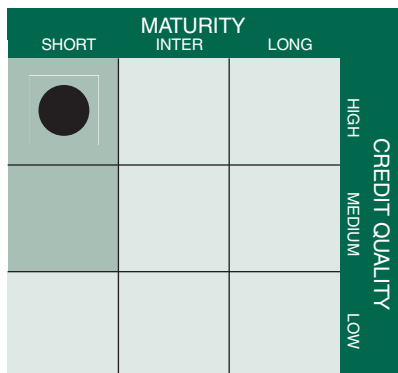
December 31, 2008



Below, Michael L. Avery and Ryan F. Caldwell, portfolio managers of Ivy Funds VIP Asset Strategy, discuss positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. Mr. Avery has managed the Portfolio for 12 years and he has 30 years of industry experience. Mr. Caldwell has managed the Portfolio for two years and he has 11 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar



This diagram shows the Portfolio's fixed-income investment style by displaying the average credit quality of the bonds owned and the Portfolio's interest rate sensitivity, as measured by average maturity. Shaded areas show the past three years of quarterly data. Source: Morningstar

U.S. Treasuries outpaced all other asset classes

Our losses were less than the Portfolio's equity benchmark for the fiscal year, but we still consider the Portfolio's results extremely disappointing. We had a lower absolute return than our peer group average and our bond market benchmark because of three factors – asset allocation, our equity index futures positioning and our positioning in equities hit hard by a cyclical collapse in

global demand for commodities and weakened corporate earnings.

From an asset allocation standpoint, our government bond weighting was too light this past year. The Portfolio had a much smaller percentage of U.S. Treasuries than many asset allocation funds as well as the Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index. As the credit and stock markets collapsed and the global economy slid into a recession, U.S. Treasuries turned out to be the best performing asset class.

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP Asset Strategy **-25.79%**

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

S&P 500 Index **-37.00%**

(generally reflects the performance of large and medium-size U.S. stocks)

Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index **7.02%**

(generally reflects the performance of the bond market)

Citigroup Short-Term Index for 1-Month Certificates of Deposit **3.05%**

(generally reflects cash)

Lipper Variable Annuity Flexible Portfolio Funds Universe Average **-21.71%**

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. Multiple indexes are shown because the Portfolio invests in multiple asset classes.

Beginning this past summer, equity markets were affected by volatility and plunging energy prices. The period between July 15 and the end of September was especially rough. At the time, we believed an equity market rally would be sustained. We were wrong.

In the fourth quarter, credit markets and corporate earnings deteriorated rapidly. This, plus an unprecedented range of government action, influenced our decision-making with respect to the Portfolio's asset mix. To summarize, the Federal Reserve and the Treasury engaged in three aggressive policies – a financial sector stabilization policy, a zero interest rate policy and a policy to inject massive amounts of liquidity in whatever market seemed to need it. However, business and consumer lending were not adequately revived. In addition, all three policies increased the risk of unintended consequences, such as a flight to any asset class that the government had guaranteed.

These unintended consequences made the overall investment horizon increasingly difficult to navigate.

Our defensive positioning

In the fourth quarter of 2008, as the global recession deepened, we:

- **Increased our weighting in municipal and high-yield bonds.** Both categories of bonds appeared to us to offer attractive total return opportunities relative to U.S. Treasuries.
- **Maintained a high cash position.** We closed out the fiscal year with a cash weighting (shown in the Asset Allocation pie chart that accompanies this report) that was approximately triple the percentage held at Dec. 31, 2007. We also consider cash as a form of hedge that allows us to be open to opportunities as they emerge.
- **Retained a strong gold bullion position** (3.875 tons, or 124,000 troy ounces as of Dec. 31, 2008). We believe that gold is a currency as much as a commodity and the only currency that has not been tainted by governmental policies that, in the long run, could be inflationary. Although the U.S. dollar regained some ground against major currencies such as the Euro this past year, we feel this is temporary, especially in light of U.S. fiscal and monetary policy. Overall, gold prices rose in 2008, but not as much as we had expected given the severity of the global economic crisis.
- **Fine tuned our equity and corporate bond positions** to favor large-cap, dividend-paying securities of companies that we think have resilient global brands and solid free cash flow. Rather than focus on markets, sectors and industries, we focused on individual securities. We looked for the one-off opportunity, and opportunities that resulted from market dislocations across asset classes

Our outlook: Headwinds abound

Among the long-term questions we asked ourselves as the equity market imploded this autumn, and that we continue to ask, are:

- How long will the global slowdown last?
- What is the new global equity market reality going to be?
- What is it going to take for a company to survive this downturn and thrive when conditions improve?
- Are we back to a protracted period like 1969 to 1982, where the market stays in a narrow yet volatile trading range?

As we look ahead, we are very mindful of many headwinds, including:

The likelihood of a protracted period of economic contraction. The worst of the credit crisis may be behind us, but problems still remain for the global economy, and for corporate balance sheets. We think we are likely to see a significant rise in corporate bankruptcies and defaults. Problems in the credit card segment of consumer finance abound and could last for some time, in our opinion.

Lack of liquidity in the housing market. The government's focus appears to weigh too heavily on providing short-term consumer stimulus and preventing foreclosures rather than reducing the massive inventory of unsold, distressed properties. In our view, the political urge to provide forbearance to overextended property owners who cannot make payments may prolong the time it takes for home prices to stabilize and the market to recover.

Weak corporate earnings. The recession is likely to weigh on 2009 S&P 500 profits, making accurate valuation of individual stocks a challenging task. We think historical P/Es (price-to-earnings ratios) are of limited value for stock-picking. At the time, however, we believe individual security selection will be highly important in the months ahead. We are focusing on metrics other than P/E in an effort to figure appropriate value for equities.

A stronger U.S. dollar. The greenback's rebound against major currencies since the summer has reflected its perceived status as a safe haven amid the credit crunch. Should we see further temporary strength, it will likely continue to hurt earnings of U.S.-based multinational corporations and negatively affect emerging market economies.

Deleveraging on a massive scale. We faced a near implosion of the global financial system in October. While government aid has helped to stabilize the situation, we think much of the global economy will continue to focus on paying down/resolving debt in the quarters ahead, with the possible exception of Asia. In our view, hedge fund selling across the globe, distressed liquidity of equities, and the unwinding of complex derivative positions among institutions and professional investors has not fully played out. This may continue to put downward pressure on prices across asset classes.

For now, the domestic economic news still remains troubling. The U.S. unemployment rate could easily move to 10 percent in our view (from 7.2 percent at December 31, 2008). We believe that conditions suggest no improvement until at least the second half of 2009. The U.S. lost nearly 3 million jobs in calendar year 2008, the most since the end of the Second World War, and could lose millions more as the recession unfolds.

Our current expectation is for an L-shaped equity market performance pattern in the months ahead, with stocks remaining in a narrow trading range. We believe it will take a considerable period of time for market confidence to be restored and for the substantial imbalances in credit markets to be worked out. U.S. consumers will need to save more as employment prospects remain bleak.

Bond Portfolio Characteristics

As of December 31, 2008

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Average maturity | 1.3 years |
| Effective duration | 0.3 years |
| Weighted average bond rating | AA+ |

We feel our flexibility in managing the Portfolio's assets gives us an advantage in our effort to navigate the uncertainties that lie ahead. We are looking at many asset classes to

help balance the Portfolio and generate income while we wait for the credit and equity market environments to improve.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Country | Sector |
|--|---------------|------------------------|
| Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (Asia) Limited | China | Financials |
| Nintendo Co., Ltd. | Japan | Information Technology |
| Genentech, Inc. | United States | Health Care |
| QUALCOMM Incorporated | United States | Information Technology |
| Nokia Corporation, Series A, ADR | Finland | Information Technology |
| Hewlett-Packard Company | United States | Information Technology |
| Gilead Sciences, Inc. | United States | Health Care |
| Southern Copper Corporation | United States | Materials |
| Philip Morris International Inc. | United States | Consumer Staples |
| Korea Tobacco & Ginseng Corporation | South Korea | Consumer Staples |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

International investing involves additional risks including currency fluctuations, political or economic conditions affecting the foreign country and differences in accounting standards and foreign regulations.

Fixed-income securities are subject to interest rate risk and, as such, the Portfolio's net asset value may fall as interest rates rise. Investing in high-income securities may carry a greater risk of non-payment of interest or principal than higher-rated bonds.

These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

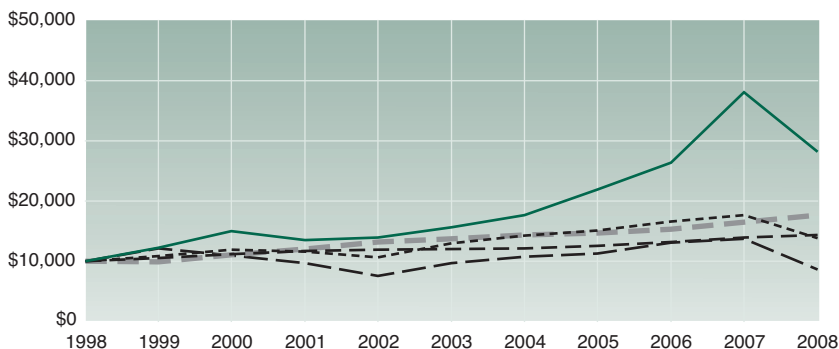
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio managers and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The managers' views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The indexes noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP Asset Strategy.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-------|--|----------|
| ————— | Ivy Funds VIP Asset Strategy ⁽¹⁾ | \$28,258 |
| ————— | S&P 500 Index | \$ 8,695 |
| ————— | Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index | \$17,674 |
| ————— | Citigroup Short-Term Index for 1-Month Certificates of Deposit | \$14,405 |
| ————— | Lipper Variable Annuity Flexible Portfolio Funds Universe Average | \$13,854 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -25.79% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | 12.59% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 10.95% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF ASSET STRATEGY

Portfolio Highlights

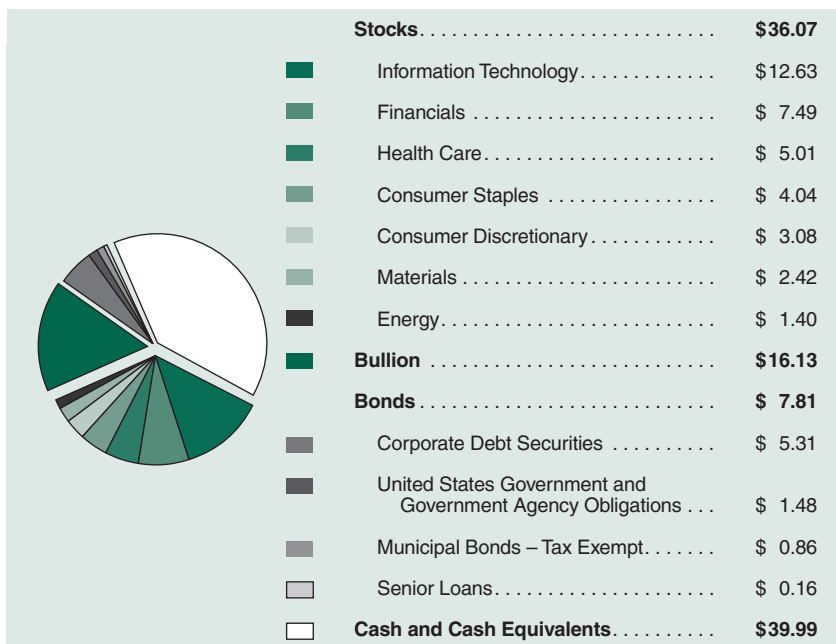
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On December 31, 2008, Asset Strategy had net assets totaling \$678,194 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|--|
| 39.99% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 19.65% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 16.42% | Foreign Common Stocks |
| 16.13% | Bullion |
| 3.88% | Domestic Corporate Debt Securities |
| 1.48% | United States Government and Government Agency Obligations |
| 1.43% | Foreign Corporate Debt Securities |
| 0.86% | Municipal Bonds—Tax Exempt |
| 0.16% | Senior Loans |

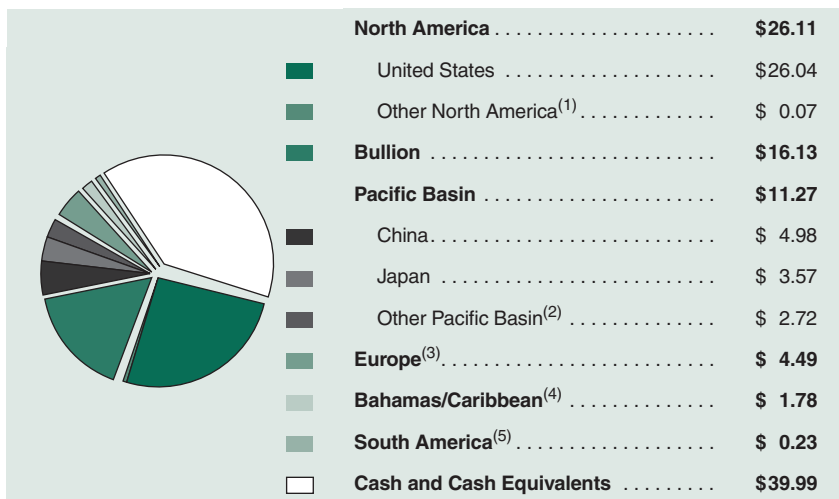
As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio was invested by industry and by country, respectively, as follows:

Asset Allocation



Country Weightings

(Unaudited)



(1)Includes \$0.07 Mexico.

(2)Includes \$1.68 South Korea, \$0.90 Taiwan and \$0.14 Vietnam.

(3)Includes \$2.76 Finland, \$0.19 Luxembourg, \$0.10 Poland, \$0.11 Russia, \$1.04 Switzerland and \$0.29 United Kingdom.

(4)Includes \$0.34 Bahamas, \$0.10 British Virgin Islands and \$1.34 Cayman Islands.

(5)Includes \$0.23 Brazil.

The Investments of Asset Strategy

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|---------------|
| Biotechnology – 5.01% | | |
| Genentech, Inc. (A) | 234 | \$ 19,409 |
| Gilead Sciences, Inc. (A) | 285 | 14,592 |
| | | <u>34,001</u> |
| Communications Equipment – 5.57% | | |
| Nokia Corporation, Series A, ADR | 1,200 | 18,718 |
| QUALCOMM Incorporated | 532 | 19,076 |
| | | <u>37,794</u> |
| Computer Hardware – 3.49% | | |
| Hewlett-Packard Company | 484 | 17,547 |
| High Tech Computer Corp. (A)(B) | 608 | 6,103 |
| | | <u>23,650</u> |
| Diversified Banks – 4.47% | | |
| Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (Asia) Limited (A)(B) | 57,133 | 30,333 |
| Diversified Metals & Mining – 1.93% | | |
| Rio Tinto plc (A)(B) | 17 | 392 |
| Southern Copper Corporation | 790 | 12,690 |
| | | <u>13,082</u> |
| Education Services – 0.85% | | |
| New Oriental Education & Technology Group Inc., ADR (A) | 105 | 5,771 |
| Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals – 0.49% | | |
| Monsanto Company | 47 | 3,316 |
| Footwear – 0.68% | | |
| NIKE, Inc., Class B | 90 | 4,588 |
| Home Entertainment Software – 3.57% | | |
| Nintendo Co., Ltd. (B) | 63 | 24,228 |
| Home Improvement Retail – 1.10% | | |
| Home Depot, Inc. (The) | 325 | 7,474 |
| Hotels, Resorts & Cruise Lines – 0.45% | | |
| Ctrip.com International, Ltd. | 129 | 3,065 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 211.

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|---------------|------------------|
| Integrated Oil & Gas – 1.40% | | |
| Chevron Corporation | 128 | \$ 9,469 |
| Investment Banking & Brokerage – 0.59% | | |
| Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (The) | 48 | 4,013 |
| Mortgage REITs – 1.25% | | |
| Annaly Capital Management, Inc. | 535 | 8,484 |
| Personal Products – 0.49% | | |
| Hengan International Group Company Limited (B) | 1,042 | 3,362 |
| Property & Casualty Insurance – 1.04% | | |
| ACE Limited | 133 | 7,014 |
| Tobacco – 3.55% | | |
| Korea Tobacco & Ginseng Corporation (B) | 180 | 11,398 |
| Philip Morris International Inc. | 291 | 12,656 |
| | | <u>24,054</u> |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 35.93% | | \$243,698 |
| (Cost: \$270,436) | | |
| INVESTMENT FUNDS – 0.14% | | |
| Multiple Industry | | |
| Vietnam Azalea Fund Limited (A)(C)(D) | 300 | \$ 969 |
| (Cost: \$1,740) | | |
| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES | | |
| Banking – 0.97% | | |
| Bank of America Corporation, 7.400%, 1–15–11 | \$ 150 | 154 |
| Bank One Corporation, 5.900%, 11–15–11 | 250 | 251 |
| Citigroup Inc.: | | |
| 6.000%, 2–21–12 | 1,000 | 989 |
| 5.250%, 2–27–12 | 1,000 | 969 |
| 5.850%, 7–2–13 | 650 | 627 |

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(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| Banking (Continued) | | |
| Credit Suisse, 5.000%, 5-15-13 | \$ 900 | \$ 866 |
| J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., 6.625%, 3-15-12 | 1,250 | 1,280 |
| MBNA Corporation, 7.500%, 3-15-12 | 1,035 | 1,065 |
| Russian Standard Bank: 7.500%, 10-7-10 | 600 | 226 |
| 7.500%, 10-7-10 (E) | 350 | 128 |
| | | <u>6,555</u> |
| Beverage / Bottling – 0.16% | | |
| Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc., 7.375%, 3-3-14 | 500 | 549 |
| Companhia Brasileira de Bebidas, 10.500%, 12-15-11 | 500 | 549 |
| | | <u>1,098</u> |
| Biotechnology – 0.03% | | |
| Amgen Inc., Convertible, 0.125%, 2-1-11 | 200 | 192 |
| | | <u>192</u> |
| Building Products – 0.07% | | |
| Desarrolladora Homex, S.A. de C.V., 7.500%, 9-28-15 | 627 | 451 |
| | | <u>451</u> |
| Chemicals – 0.10% | | |
| E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, 5.875%, 1-15-14 | 675 | 695 |
| | | <u>695</u> |
| Coal & Consumable Fuels – 0.01% | | |
| Massey Energy Company, Convertible, 3.250%, 8-1-15 | 200 | 93 |
| | | <u>93</u> |
| Computer Hardware – 0.12% | | |
| Hewlett-Packard Company, 6.125%, 3-1-14 | 750 | 797 |
| | | <u>797</u> |

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| Consumer Products / Tobacco – 0.10% | | |
| Central European Distribution Corporation, 8.000%, 7–25–12 (F)(G) | EUR720 | \$ 701 |
| Department Stores – 0.14% | | |
| Kohl's Corporation, 6.300%, 3–1–11 | \$1,000 | 969 |
| Finance – Other – 0.24% | | |
| American Express Travel Related Services Co., Inc., 5.250%, 11–21–11 | 1,000 | 953 |
| AXA Financial, Inc., 7.750%, 8–1–10 | 700 | 697 |
| | | <u>1,650</u> |
| Finance Companies – 0.24% | | |
| C5 Capital (SPV) Limited, 6.196%, 12–31–49 (E)(H) | 1,500 | 690 |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation, 6.440%, 1–18–15 (H) | 1,050 | 933 |
| | | <u>1,623</u> |
| Food Processors – 0.02% | | |
| Sara Lee Corporation, 3.875%, 6–15–13 | 150 | 129 |
| Gas – Pipelines – 0.15% | | |
| Enterprise Products Operating LLC, 9.750%, 1–31–14 | 1,000 | 1,018 |
| Home Improvement Retail – 0.17% | | |
| Home Depot, Inc. (The): 4.625%, 8–15–10 | 250 | 247 |
| 5.200%, 3–1–11 | 950 | 924 |
| | | <u>1,171</u> |
| Investment Banking & Brokerage – 0.95% | | |
| Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (The): 5.300%, 2–14–12 | 300 | 283 |
| 5.700%, 9–1–12 | 1,250 | 1,192 |
| 5.450%, 11–1–12 | 250 | 238 |
| 5.250%, 10–15–13 | 250 | 230 |
| 5.150%, 1–15–14 | 625 | 563 |

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| Investment Banking & Brokerage (Continued) | | |
| Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.: | | |
| 4.250%, 2-8-10 | \$750 | \$ 733 |
| 6.050%, 8-15-12 | 300 | 296 |
| 6.050%, 5-16-16 | 250 | 234 |
| Morgan Stanley: | | |
| 4.000%, 1-15-10 | 650 | 631 |
| 5.050%, 1-21-11 | 1,000 | 961 |
| 5.300%, 3-1-13 | 150 | 136 |
| 4.750%, 4-1-14 | 250 | 190 |
| Morgan Stanley Dean Witter & Co., | | |
| 6.750%, 4-15-11 | 750 | 738 |
| | | <u>6,425</u> |
| Machinery – 0.12% | | |
| Caterpillar Inc., | | |
| 7.000%, 12-15-13 | 750 | 808 |
| | | <u>808</u> |
| Metals / Mining – 0.23% | | |
| Vedanta Resources plc, | | |
| 6.625%, 2-22-10 (E) | 1,800 | 1,566 |
| | | <u>1,566</u> |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 0.10% | | |
| XTO Energy Inc., | | |
| 7.500%, 4-15-12 | 700 | 692 |
| | | <u>692</u> |
| Paper / Forest Products – 0.06% | | |
| Sino-Forest Corporation, | | |
| 9.125%, 8-17-11 (E) | 475 | 380 |
| | | <u>380</u> |
| Property & Casualty Insurance – 0.03% | | |
| St. Paul Companies, Inc. (The), | | |
| 8.125%, 4-15-10 | 200 | 205 |
| | | <u>205</u> |
| Railroads – 0.02% | | |
| Kansas City Southern Railway Company (The), | | |
| 7.500%, 6-15-09 | 140 | 141 |
| | | <u>141</u> |

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(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Retail Stores – 0.06% | | |
| Dollar General Corporation, 11.875%, 7–15–17 | \$450 | \$ 385 |
| Service – Other – 0.02% | | |
| Expedia, Inc., 8.500%, 7–1–16 (E) | 225 | 168 |
| Steel – 0.11% | | |
| Evrax Group S.A., 8.875%, 4–24–13 (E) | 1,500 | 765 |
| Technology – 0.21% | | |
| L–3 Communications Corporation: | | |
| 7.625%, 6–15–12 | 360 | 352 |
| 6.125%, 7–15–13 | 180 | 166 |
| SunGard Data Systems Inc., 10.250%, 8–15–15 | 450 | 297 |
| Xerox Corporation: | | |
| 6.875%, 8–15–11 | 315 | 272 |
| 6.400%, 3–15–16 | 225 | 176 |
| 6.750%, 2–1–17 | 225 | 163 |
| | | <u>1,426</u> |
| Transportation – Other – 0.34% | | |
| Ultrapetrol (Bahamas) Limited, 9.000%, 11–24–14 | 3,505 | 2,287 |
| Utilities – 0.15% | | |
| CESP – Companhia Energetica de Sao Paulo, 9.750%, 1–15–15 (F)(G) | BRL3,000 | 993 |
| Wireless Telecommunication Service – 0.39% | | |
| Open Joint Stock Company “Vimpel-Communications”, 8.000%, 2–11–10 | \$1,050 | 959 |
| Sprint Capital Corporation, 6.375%, 5–1–09 | 400 | 398 |
| Verizon Wireless Capital LLC, 7.375%, 11–15–13 (F) | 1,200 | 1,266 |
| | | <u>2,623</u> |
| TOTAL CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES – 5.31% | | \$ 36,006 |
| (Cost: \$39,868) | | |

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(In Thousands)

| MUNICIPAL BONDS | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| District Of Columbia – 0.14% | | |
| District of Columbia, University Revenue Bonds (Georgetown University Issue), 5.500%, 4–1–36 | | |
| | \$ 930 | \$ 940 |
| Florida – 0.07% | | |
| Miami-Dade County Industrial Development Authority, Solid Waste Disposal Revenue Bonds (Waste Management Inc. of Florida Project), Series 2008, 5.400%, 8–1–23 | | |
| | 490 | 467 |
| New York – 0.06% | | |
| The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, Consolidated Bonds, One Hundred Fifty-Second Series, 5.750%, 11–1–30 | | |
| | 465 | 430 |
| Ohio – 0.16% | | |
| Ohio Air Quality Development Authority, State of Ohio, Air Quality Revenue Bonds (Ohio Power Company Project), Series 2008A, 7.125%, 6–1–41 | | |
| | 1,095 | 1,095 |
| Texas – 0.25% | | |
| Alliance Airport Authority, Inc., Special Facilities Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2007 (American Airlines, Inc. Project), 5.250%, 12–1–29 | | |
| | 2,440 | 785 |
| Frisco Independent School District (Collin and Denton Counties, Texas), Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2008A, 6.000%, 8–15–38 | | |
| | 465 | 490 |
| Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, Texas, Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2008A, 5.625%, 10–1–38 | | |
| | 465 | 413 |
| | | <u>1,688</u> |

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(In Thousands)

| MUNICIPAL BONDS (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|-----------------|
| West Virginia – 0.18% | | |
| West Virginia Economic Development Authority, Solid Waste Disposal Facilities Revenue Bonds (Appalachian Power Company – Amos Project), Series 2008E, 7.125%, 12–1–38 | \$1,215 | \$ 1,215 |
| TOTAL MUNICIPAL BONDS – 0.86% | | \$ 5,835 |
| (Cost: \$5,652) | | |
| SENIOR LOANS | | |
| Health Care Facilities / Supplies – 0.04% | | |
| HCA Inc., 3.709%, 11–18–13 (H) | 359 | 280 |
| Service – Other – 0.07% | | |
| Education Management LLC, 3.250%, 6–1–13 (H) | 781 | 483 |
| Utilities – 0.05% | | |
| Energy Future Competitive Holdings Company and Texas Competitive Electric Holdings Company, LLC, 5.368%, 10–10–14 (H) | 450 | 310 |
| TOTAL SENIOR LOANS – 0.16% | | \$ 1,073 |
| (Cost: \$1,165) | | |
| UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGENCY OBLIGATIONS | | |
| Agency Obligations – 0.10% | | |
| Federal National Mortgage Association, 2.875%, 12–11–13 | 675 | 691 |

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(In Thousands)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

AGENCY OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Principal

Value

Mortgage-Backed Obligations – 0.65%

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Agency

REMIC/CMO (Interest Only): (I)

| | | | |
|------------------|---------|----|-----|
| 5.500%, 9–15–17 | \$4,343 | \$ | 340 |
| 5.000%, 11–15–17 | 370 | | 31 |
| 5.000%, 4–15–19 | 754 | | 64 |
| 5.000%, 4–15–19 | 370 | | 30 |
| 5.000%, 7–15–21 | 320 | | 5 |
| 5.000%, 11–15–22 | 384 | | 28 |
| 5.000%, 1–15–23 | 7 | | —* |
| 5.500%, 3–15–23 | 745 | | 99 |
| 5.000%, 4–15–23 | 209 | | 5 |
| 5.000%, 5–15–23 | 683 | | 54 |
| 5.000%, 8–15–23 | 524 | | 47 |
| 5.500%, 11–15–23 | 1,179 | | 14 |
| 5.500%, 11–15–23 | 528 | | 9 |
| 5.000%, 9–15–24 | 693 | | 18 |
| 5.500%, 9–15–24 | 314 | | 8 |
| 5.500%, 4–15–25 | 152 | | 11 |
| 5.500%, 4–15–25 | 214 | | 7 |
| 5.000%, 9–15–25 | 1,331 | | 32 |
| 5.500%, 10–15–25 | 1,605 | | 215 |
| 5.000%, 4–15–26 | 1,212 | | 37 |
| 5.000%, 10–15–28 | 459 | | 32 |
| 5.500%, 2–15–30 | 408 | | 30 |
| 5.000%, 8–15–30 | 787 | | 40 |
| 5.500%, 3–15–31 | 642 | | 53 |
| 6.000%, 11–15–35 | 847 | | 105 |

Federal National Mortgage Association Agency

REMIC/CMO (Interest Only): (I)

| | | | |
|------------------|-------|--|-----|
| 5.500%, 11–25–17 | 431 | | 10 |
| 5.000%, 5–25–22 | 402 | | 30 |
| 5.000%, 7–25–23 | 2,082 | | 253 |
| 5.000%, 8–25–23 | 631 | | 54 |
| 5.000%, 11–25–23 | 754 | | 73 |
| 5.500%, 9–25–25 | 235 | | 5 |
| 5.500%, 11–25–25 | 705 | | 11 |
| 5.000%, 9–25–30 | 892 | | 76 |
| 5.500%, 6–25–33 | 886 | | 120 |
| 5.500%, 8–25–33 | 1,384 | | 151 |
| 5.500%, 4–25–34 | 1,937 | | 217 |
| 5.500%, 11–25–36 | 2,298 | | 284 |

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(In Thousands)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

AGENCY OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Principal Value

Mortgage-Backed Obligations (Continued)

Government National Mortgage Association Agency

REMIC/CMO (Interest Only): (I)

| | | |
|------------------------|---------|-------|
| 5.000%, 1-20-30 | \$1,303 | \$ 77 |
| 5.000%, 6-20-31 | 1,399 | 109 |
| 5.500%, 3-20-32 | 818 | 101 |
| 5.000%, 7-20-33 | 406 | 35 |
| 5.500%, 11-20-33 | 1,546 | 191 |
| 5.500%, 6-20-35 | 1,212 | 136 |
| 5.500%, 7-20-35 | 602 | 69 |
| 5.500%, 7-20-35 | 429 | 48 |
| 5.500%, 10-16-35 | 574 | 68 |

Government National Mortgage Association Fixed

Rate Pass-Through Certificates:

| | | |
|------------------------|-----|-----|
| 5.500%, 11-15-16 | 168 | 177 |
| 5.500%, 11-15-16 | 57 | 61 |
| 5.500%, 12-15-16 | 324 | 341 |
| 5.500%, 12-15-16 | 250 | 263 |
| 5.500%, 12-15-16 | 100 | 105 |

4,379

TOTAL UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

AGENCY OBLIGATIONS – 0.75%

\$ 5,070

(Cost: \$6,575)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS – 0.73%

Treasury Obligations

United States Treasury Bonds,

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|
| 4.500%, 5-15-38 (J) | 3,600 | \$ 4,914 |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|

(Cost: \$3,742)

BULLION – 16.13%

Troy
Ounces

| | | |
|------------|-----|-----------|
| Gold | 124 | \$109,413 |
|------------|-----|-----------|

(Cost: \$95,844)

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Commercial Paper – 29.96% | | |
| Alcoa Incorporated: | | |
| 6.450%, 1–5–09 | \$1,683 | \$ 1,682 |
| 6.550%, 2–12–09 | 1,500 | 1,489 |
| 6.450%, 3–17–09 | 3,000 | 2,960 |
| American Honda Finance Corp.: | | |
| 1.150%, 2–3–09 | 2,500 | 2,497 |
| 1.150%, 3–6–09 | 5,000 | 4,990 |
| AT&T Inc.: | | |
| 0.200%, 1–29–09 | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| 1.100%, 2–4–09 | 1,000 | 999 |
| Bemis Company, Inc.: | | |
| 2.150%, 1–6–09 | 4,007 | 4,006 |
| 2.150%, 1–27–09 | 21,042 | 21,009 |
| BP p.l.c., | | |
| 2.100%, 3–11–09 | 500 | 500 |
| Clorox Co.: | | |
| 3.250%, 1–5–09 | 6,600 | 6,598 |
| 3.250%, 1–8–09 | 479 | 479 |
| 2.250%, 1–28–09 | 1,885 | 1,882 |
| 2.850%, 1–30–09 | 2,000 | 1,995 |
| ConAgra Foods, Inc., | | |
| 4.250%, 1–6–09 | 3,000 | 2,998 |
| Credit Suisse Group, New York Branch: | | |
| 3.700%, 1–20–09 | 3,000 | 2,994 |
| 1.950%, 2–27–09 | 2,000 | 1,994 |
| CVS Caremark Corporation, | | |
| 5.500%, 1–20–09 | 1,061 | 1,058 |
| CVS Corp., | | |
| 6.440%, 5–28–09 | 6,600 | 6,426 |
| Deere (John) Capital Corporation: | | |
| 2.300%, 2–27–09 | 3,000 | 2,989 |
| 2.300%, 2–27–09 | 2,000 | 1,993 |
| Diageo Capital plc (Diageo plc), | | |
| 5.500%, 1–21–09 | 450 | 449 |
| General Mills, Inc.: | | |
| 5.000%, 2–12–09 | 4,553 | 4,526 |
| 4.750%, 2–13–09 | 3,000 | 2,983 |
| 4.750%, 2–20–09 | 2,500 | 2,483 |
| Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (The), | | |
| 0.250%, 1–16–09 | 3,000 | 3,000 |

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(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|----------|
| Commercial Paper (Continued) | | |
| Heinz (H.J.) Finance Co. (Heinz (H.J.) Co.): | | |
| 5.000%, 1-14-09 | \$1,500 | \$ 1,497 |
| 5.000%, 1-28-09 | 1,599 | 1,593 |
| 4.020%, 1-29-09 | 3,000 | 2,991 |
| 4.950%, 1-30-09 | 1,530 | 1,524 |
| 5.200%, 1-30-09 | 3,007 | 2,994 |
| Hewlett-Packard Company: | | |
| 0.600%, 3-5-09 | 1,500 | 1,498 |
| 0.450%, 3-6-09 | 3,000 | 2,998 |
| ITT Corporation: | | |
| 6.000%, 1-5-09 | 10,664 | 10,657 |
| 6.450%, 1-20-09 | 3,000 | 2,990 |
| 6.550%, 3-20-09 | 700 | 690 |
| 6.500%, 3-27-09 | 3,000 | 2,954 |
| Kellogg Co.: | | |
| 4.500%, 1-16-09 | 2,000 | 1,996 |
| 4.220%, 1-21-09 | 2,000 | 1,995 |
| 4.050%, 1-30-09 | 846 | 843 |
| 4.300%, 2-20-09 | 4,700 | 4,672 |
| Kitty Hawk Funding Corp.: | | |
| 0.800%, 2-17-09 | 1,500 | 1,498 |
| 0.750%, 3-17-09 | 3,000 | 2,995 |
| Kraft Foods Inc.: | | |
| 2.900%, 1-12-09 | 1,000 | 999 |
| 3.000%, 1-12-09 | 3,000 | 2,997 |
| McCormick & Co. Inc.: | | |
| 1.400%, 1-21-09 | 2,000 | 1,998 |
| 1.420%, 2-19-09 | 2,600 | 2,595 |
| 1.650%, 2-27-09 | 2,000 | 1,995 |
| Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation), | | |
| 2.290%, 1-21-09 (K) | 7,000 | 6,991 |
| Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation), | | |
| 2.290%, 1-22-09 (K) | 3,000 | 2,996 |
| Nokia Corp.: | | |
| 3.050%, 1-16-09 | 2,747 | 2,743 |
| 2.100%, 3-25-09 | 5,000 | 4,976 |
| Procter & Gamble International Funding S.C.A. (Procter & Gamble Company (The)), | | |
| 1.100%, 3-3-09 | 2,000 | 1,996 |

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(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Commercial Paper (Continued) | | |
| Sara Lee Corporation, 3.000%, 1-20-09 | \$3,000 | \$ 2,995 |
| Societe Generale N.A. Inc.: | | |
| 2.280%, 4-7-09 | 3,000 | 2,982 |
| 2.000%, 5-11-09 | 6,000 | 5,957 |
| Staples, Inc.: | | |
| 6.250%, 1-15-09 | 1,738 | 1,734 |
| 6.250%, 2-27-09 | 7,000 | 6,931 |
| Unilever Capital Corporation: | | |
| 0.700%, 4-13-09 | 2,850 | 2,844 |
| 0.700%, 4-14-09 | 2,150 | 2,146 |
| Volkswagen of America Inc.: | | |
| 6.400%, 1-15-09 | 5,000 | 4,988 |
| 6.150%, 1-27-09 | 2,000 | 1,991 |
| 6.350%, 1-28-09 | 6,000 | 5,971 |
| | | <u>203,189</u> |
| Commercial Paper (backed by irrevocable bank letter of credit) – 0.74% | | |
| ED&F Man Treasury Management PLC (Societe Generale N.A.), 0.700%, 1-15-09 | 5,000 | 4,999 |
| Notes – 0.29% | | |
| Credit Suisse First Boston (USA), Inc, 4.700%, 6-1-09 | 2,000 | 1,999 |
| United States Government Obligations – 8.25% | | |
| United States Treasury Bills: | | |
| 2.100%, 1-2-09 | 10,000 | 9,999 |
| 2.110%, 1-2-09 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| 2.040%, 1-8-09 | 5,000 | 4,998 |
| 1.910%, 1-29-09 | 5,000 | 4,993 |
| 1.920%, 2-5-09 | 3,500 | 3,493 |
| 1.910%, 2-12-09 | 10,000 | 9,978 |
| 1.910%, 2-19-09 | 5,000 | 4,987 |
| 1.900%, 2-26-09 | 4,000 | 3,988 |
| 0.950%, 7-30-09 | 8,525 | 8,478 |
| | | <u>55,914</u> |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 39.24% | | \$266,101 |
| (Cost: \$266,101) | | |

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The Investments of Asset Strategy

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

Value

TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.25% **\$673,079**

(Cost: \$691,123)

CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.75% **5,115**

NET ASSETS – 100.00% **\$678,194**

Notes to Schedule of Investments

The following forward currency contracts were outstanding at December 31, 2008:

| Type | Currency | Principal Amount Covered by Contract | Settlement Date | Unrealized Appreciation | Unrealized Depreciation |
|------|--------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Sell | Brazilian Real | 25,800 | 2-3-09 | \$ – | \$ 214 |
| Sell | British Pound | 1,595 | 1-12-09 | 776 | – |
| Buy | British Pound | 874 | 4-8-09 | – | 38 |
| Sell | British Pound | 14,300 | 4-30-09 | 1,414 | – |
| Sell | British Pound | 15,450 | 9-4-09 | 4,269 | – |
| Sell | Euro | 7,000 | 4-30-09 | – | 977 |
| Sell | Euro | 12,000 | 10-8-09 | – | 115 |
| Buy | Japanese Yen | 1,632,130 | 10-8-09 | 1,660 | – |
| Sell | New Taiwan Dollar | 92,100 | 2-4-09 | – | 20 |
| Sell | South Korean Won | 14,800,000 | 1-28-09 | – | 1,315 |
| Buy | United Arab Emirates Dirham | 36,800 | 3-11-10 | – | 654 |
| Buy | United Arab Emirates Dirham | 7,500 | 3-24-10 | – | 158 |
| | | | | <u>\$8,119</u> | <u>\$3,491</u> |

*Not shown due to rounding as amount is less than 500.

(A)No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B>Listed on an exchange outside the United States.

(C)Illiquid restricted security. At December 31, 2008, the following restricted security was owned:

| Security | Acquisition Date | Shares | Cost | Market Value |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------|----------------|-----------------|
| Vietnam Azalea Fund Limited | 6-14-07 | 300 | <u>\$1,740</u> | <u>\$969</u> |

The total value of this security represented approximately 0.14% of net assets at December 31, 2008.

(D)Deemed to be an affiliate due to the Portfolio owning at least 5% of the voting securities. The Portfolio and other mutual funds managed by its investment manager, Waddell & Reed Investment Management Company, or other related parties together own 30% of the outstanding shares of this security at December 31, 2008.

(E)Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be liquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$3,697 or 0.55% of net assets.

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(In Thousands)

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(F) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be illiquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$2,960 or 0.44% of net assets.

(G) Principal amounts are denominated in the indicated foreign currency, where applicable (BRL – Brazilian Real and EUR – Euro).

(H) Variable rate security. Interest rate disclosed is that which is in effect at December 31, 2008.

(I) Amount shown in principal column represents notional amount for computation of interest.

(J) Securities serve as collateral for the following open futures contracts at December 31, 2008:

| Description | Type | Expiration Date | Number of Contracts | Market Value | Unrealized Appreciation |
|--------------------------|------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Hang Seng H-Shares Index | Long | 1–29–09 | —* | <u>\$2,371</u> | <u>\$12</u> |

*Not shown due to rounding

(K) Security is fully guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for both interest and principal under the Debt Guarantee Program of the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program.

The following acronyms are used throughout this portfolio:

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

CMO = Collateralized Mortgage Obligation

REMIC = Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduit

Country Diversification

(as a % of net assets)

| | |
|------------------------|--------|
| United States | 82.16% |
| China | 4.98% |
| Japan | 3.57% |
| Finland | 2.76% |
| South Korea | 1.68% |
| Cayman Islands | 1.34% |
| Switzerland | 1.04% |
| Taiwan | 0.90% |
| Bahamas | 0.34% |
| United Kingdom | 0.29% |
| Brazil | 0.23% |
| Luxembourg | 0.19% |
| Vietnam | 0.14% |
| Russia | 0.11% |
| Poland | 0.10% |
| British Virgin Islands | 0.10% |
| Mexico | 0.07% |

Industry and geographical classifications are unaudited.

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

ASSET STRATEGY

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Investments at value: | |
| Securities (cost – \$593,539) | \$562,697 |
| Bullion (cost - \$95,844) | 109,413 |
| Affiliated companies (cost \$1,740) | 969 |
| | <u>673,079</u> |
| Cash | 350 |
| Restricted Cash | 3,434 |
| Unrealized appreciation on forward currency contracts | 8,119 |
| Receivables: | |
| Investment securities sold and closed forward currency contracts | 5,166 |
| Dividends and interest | 1,827 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 341 |
| Cash denominated in foreign currencies (cost – \$1,128) | 1,103 |
| Prepaid and other assets | 28 |
| Total assets | <u>693,447</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased and closed forward currency contracts | 11,402 |
| Unrealized depreciation on forward currency contracts | 3,491 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 247 |
| Payable for variation margin | 16 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 13 |
| Accrued management fee | 13 |
| Accrued service fee | 5 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | 1 |
| Other | 65 |
| Total liabilities | <u>15,253</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$678,194</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 82 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 672,733 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 2,989 |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain on investment transactions | 16,692 |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (14,302) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$678,194</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 8.2749</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 81,958 |
| Capital shares authorized | 180,000 |

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Statement of Operations

ASSET STRATEGY

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Interest and amortization (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$14) | \$ 9,677 |
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$339) | 7,961 |
| Total income | <u>17,638</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Investment management fee | 6,016 |
| Service fee | 2,146 |
| Custodian fees | 436 |
| Accounting services fee | 201 |
| Legal fees | 36 |
| Audit fees | 24 |
| Shareholder servicing | 8 |
| Other | 195 |
| Total | <u>9,062</u> |
| Less expenses in excess of limit | (94) |
| Total expenses | <u>8,968</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>8,670</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|---------------------------|
| Realized net loss on securities | (52,911) |
| Realized net gain on futures contracts | 71,344 |
| Realized net loss on written options | (2,378) |
| Realized net gain on swap agreements | 5 |
| Realized net gain on forward currency contracts | 1,847 |
| Realized net loss on foreign currency exchange transactions | (5,662) |
| Realized net gain on investments | <u>12,245</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of securities during the period | (274,122) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of affiliated securities during the period | (549) |
| Unrealized appreciation in value of futures contracts during the period | 9,738 |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of forward currency contracts during the period | (1,907) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of foreign currency exchange transactions during the period | (915) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(267,755)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(255,510)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(246,840)</u></u> |

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets

ASSET STRATEGY

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 8,670 | \$ 6,957 |
| Realized net gain on investments | 12,245 | 81,653 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (267,755) | 185,803 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (246,840) | 274,413 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (3,671) | (5,000) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (60,338) | (39,000) |
| | (64,009) | (44,000) |
| Capital share transactions | 76,364 | 80,119 |
| Total increase (decrease) | (234,485) | 310,532 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 912,679 | 602,147 |
| End of period | \$678,194 | \$912,679 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | \$ 2,989 | \$ 3,645 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 12,786 | 9,700 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 7,811 | 3,570 |
| Shares redeemed | (12,698) | (6,104) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | 7,899 | 7,166 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$145,585 | \$101,085 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 64,009 | 44,000 |
| Value redeemed | (133,230) | (64,966) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | \$ 76,364 | \$ 80,119 |

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Financial Highlights

ASSET STRATEGY PORTFOLIO

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$ 12.3237 | \$ 9.0016 | \$ 8.8625 | \$ 7.6926 | \$ 6.9237 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income | 0.1062 | 0.0932 | 0.0958 | 0.0836 | 0.0699 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain (loss) | | | | | |
| on investments | (3.2919) | 3.8531 | 1.7042 | 1.7847 | 0.8508 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (3.1857) | 3.9463 | 1.8000 | 1.8683 | 0.9207 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income | (0.0495) | (0.0709) | (0.0354) | (0.0762) | (0.0990) |
| Capital gains | (0.8136) | (0.5533) | (1.6255) | (0.6222) | (0.0528) |
| Total distributions | (0.8631) | (0.6242) | (1.6609) | (0.6984) | (0.1518) |
| Net asset value, end of | | | | | |
| period | \$ 8.2749 | \$ 12.3237 | \$ 9.0016 | \$ 8.8625 | \$ 7.6926 |
| Total return | -25.79% | 44.11% | 20.15% | 24.27% | 13.30% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$ 678 | \$ 913 | \$ 602 | \$ 416 | \$ 282 |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.04% | 1.03% | 1.02% | 1.03% | 1.06% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.02% | 0.96% | 1.16% | 1.10% | 1.02% |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.05% | 1.04% | 1.03% | 1.03% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.06% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.01% | 0.95% | 1.15% | 1.10% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.02% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 190% | 98% | 148% | 79% | 118% |

(1) There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

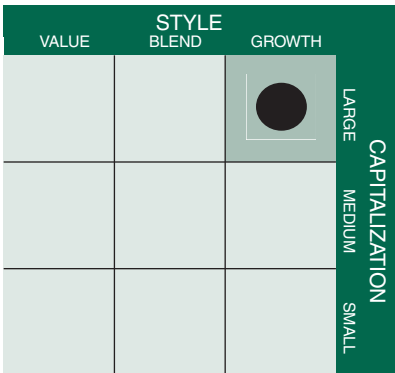
Manager's Discussion of Balanced Portfolio

(Unaudited)

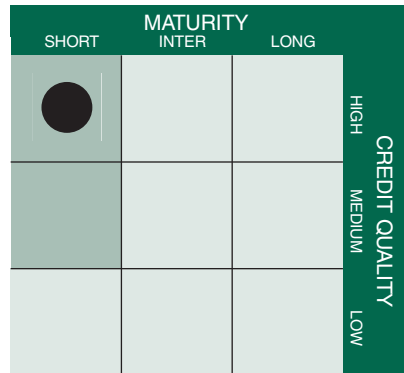
December 31, 2008



Below, Cynthia P. Prince-Fox, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Balanced, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. She has managed the Portfolio for 14 years and has 25 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar



This diagram shows the Portfolio's fixed-income investment style by displaying the average credit quality of the bonds owned and the Portfolio's interest rate sensitivity, as measured by average maturity. Shaded areas show the past three years of quarterly data. Source: Morningstar

For much of the fiscal year, we maintained a sizeable portion of the equity component of the Portfolio in traditional defensive sectors such as health care and consumer staples, and this helped us lose less money than our equity benchmark and our Lipper peer group. Early in the year, we also decided to significantly underweight the financials sector, in light of concerns regarding mortgage and housing markets, and this positioning proved to be a significant positive driver of our relative performance.

Many negative events defined the year, from the Bear Stearns bailout and record high energy prices to the bankruptcy of Lehman Brothers and the collapse of the stock market.

Additional pieces included falling home prices, rising unemployment and plummeting consumer confidence. Meanwhile, as the global economy fell into technical recession territory, governments worldwide stepped up to announce massive fiscal stimulus plans and slash interest rates. As these measures were

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP Balanced **-21.00%**

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

S&P 500 Index **-37.00%**

(generally reflects the performance of large and medium-size U.S. stocks)

Citigroup Treasury/Government Sponsored/Credit Index **6.11%**

(generally reflects the performance of the government bond market)

Lipper Variable Annuity Mixed-Asset Target Allocation Growth Funds Universe Average **-29.87%**

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. Multiple indexes are shown because the Portfolio invests in multiple asset classes.

publicized, sentiment and returns began to improve toward the end of the fourth quarter, though not enough to fully offset earlier losses.

Nowhere to hide

There was no safe place to hide in the equity markets as all industry groups posted negative returns for the fiscal year. In fact, cash and U.S. Treasuries were our only defense during the turbulent fourth quarter. We have been of the belief that Congress and the Federal Reserve will prevail and have begun to position the Portfolio toward that eventuality. It is critical that credit markets begin functioning again, and because financial institutions will be central to that recovery process, we believe that industry will look dramatically different – increased regulation, consolidation and diversified powerhouses (which we seek to own).

For the year, one of the most significant negative impacts to performance came from infrastructure and energy, where we underestimated how quickly the price of energy would decrease. As such, we recently

reduced our oil service exposure; we believe the next phase of the commodity correction likely will be supply destruction to correct an oversupplied market. We expect this to take place as we move through the first quarter of 2009. While the Portfolio remains defensively positioned overall, we are adding companies that we believe are the market share gainers as we enter a possible recovery phase.

Bond Portfolio Characteristics

As of December 31, 2008

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Average maturity | 4.7 years |
| Effective duration | 3.5 years |
| Weighted average bond rating | AAA |

Subprime mortgages: a house of cards

As we look back on the last year, it is clear that the financial system was unprepared for a once-in-a-lifetime decline in housing prices. To compound the problem, regulatory bodies did not keep up with all the new products and structures that were being bought and sold around the world. This helped to create a panic in the financial markets as investors ran toward the safest investment: U.S. Treasuries. After Lehman Brothers filed for bankruptcy, the ensuing fallout in the credit markets was truly unprecedented as even the most creditworthy borrowers found it difficult to fund their day-to-day business activities.

When will the housing crisis end? This is one of the most important questions the market is hoping to answer. While past performance is no guarantee of future results, history may be a useful guide as to when foreclosures might peak. The Federal Reserve Bank of Boston in the spring of 2008 published a paper on the Massachusetts housing market and its history of boom-bust cycles. The analysis discovered that 95 percent of all foreclosures occur when loan-to-value ratios exceed 80 percent. Additionally, this paper concluded that almost 50 percent of home foreclosures occur in the first three years of homeownership and a full 25 percent occur in the first one to two years. Generally speaking, U.S. housing prices peaked in the 2005–2006 timeframe, so it is possible investors (and potentially, taxpayers) may face up to another year of large writeoffs in the financial sector. Even when the wave of

foreclosures has crested, however, the ensuing economic aftershocks in other industries could take many months to clean up.

Our outlook

While the final months of the 2008 fiscal year produced a few glimmers of hope, we expect the economic backdrop to remain challenging. We believe the two most challenging areas will be consumer spending and housing. A broader solution to the housing crisis likely will come after the new administration comes into office and policies are put into place to deal with rising home foreclosures and vacancy rates.

Looking into 2009, the Fed and Treasury efforts are committed to restart the U.S. credit engine by whatever means necessary. Elsewhere, we expect global commodity prices and interest rates to remain low until the economy is on stable footing. The recovery process is likely to be slow, in our view, and forced de-leveraging by many financial institutions should create attractive opportunities to invest in high-quality companies. We recognize that uncertainty creates opportunity, and we remain focused on looking for new ideas to bring to the Portfolio.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| Exxon Mobil Corporation | Energy |
| Colgate-Palmolive Company | Consumer Staples |
| Johnson & Johnson | Health Care |
| Gilead Sciences, Inc. | Health Care |
| Abbott Laboratories | Health Care |
| General Dynamics Corporation | Industrials |
| PepsiCo, Inc. | Consumer Staples |
| Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. | Consumer Staples |
| Northern Trust Corporation | Financials |
| Genentech, Inc. | Health Care |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Fixed-income securities are subject to interest rate risk and, as such, the Portfolio's net asset value may fall as interest rates rise. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

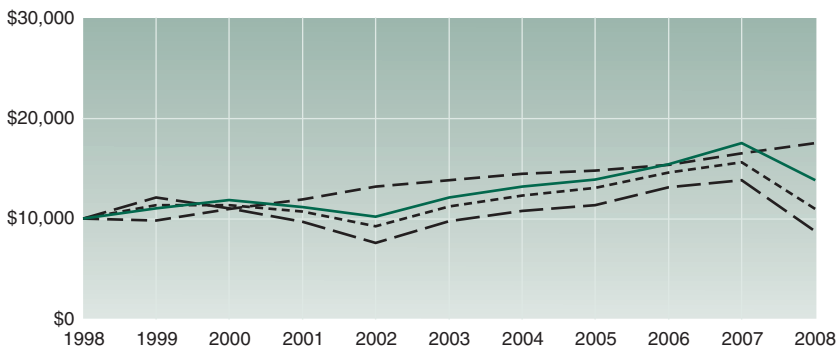
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP Balanced.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|---|-----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Balanced ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 13,831 |
| --- | S&P 500 Index | \$ 8,695 |
| - - - | Citigroup Treasury/Government Sponsored/Credit Index. | \$ 17,483 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Mixed-Asset Target Allocation Growth Funds Universe Average | \$ 10,925 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -21.00% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | 2.70% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 3.30% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF BALANCED

Portfolio Highlights

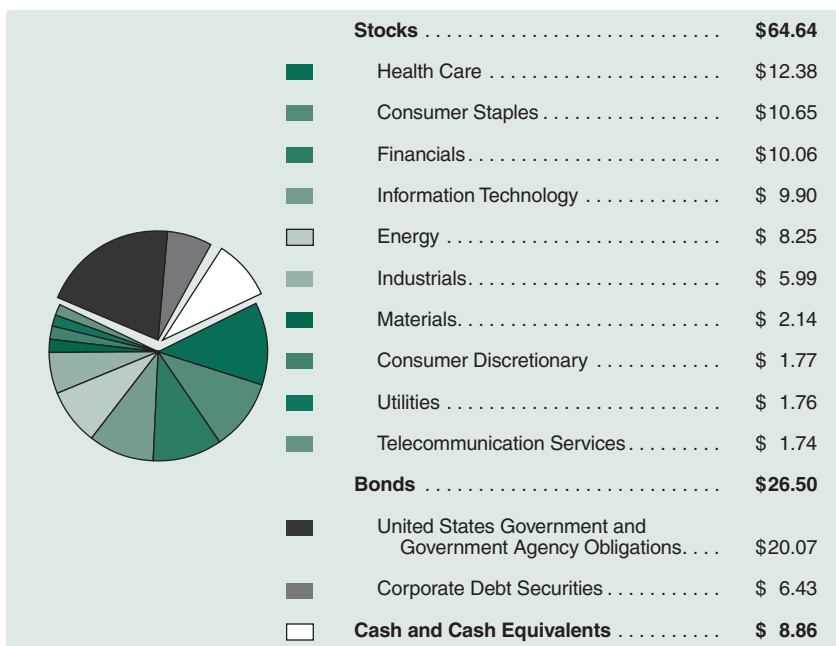
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On December 31, 2008, Balanced had net assets totaling \$378,285 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|--|
| 61.87% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 20.07% | United States Government and Government Agency Obligations |
| 8.86% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 5.43% | Domestic Corporate Debt Securities |
| 2.78% | Foreign Common Stocks |
| 0.99% | Foreign Corporate Debt Securities |

Asset Allocation

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Balanced

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Aerospace & Defense – 2.14% | | |
| General Dynamics Corporation | 141 | \$ 8,120 |
| Air Freight & Logistics – 0.91% | | |
| Expeditors International of Washington, Inc. | 103 | 3,430 |
| Asset Management & Custody Banks – 1.83% | | |
| Northern Trust Corporation | 133 | 6,914 |
| Biotechnology – 4.32% | | |
| Genentech, Inc. (A) | 83 | 6,906 |
| Gilead Sciences, Inc. (A) | 185 | 9,456 |
| | | <u>16,362</u> |
| Communications Equipment – 4.87% | | |
| Cisco Systems, Inc. (A) | 423 | 6,902 |
| Nokia Corporation, Series A, ADR | 340 | 5,296 |
| QUALCOMM Incorporated | 174 | 6,220 |
| | | <u>18,418</u> |
| Computer Hardware – 2.70% | | |
| Apple Inc. (A) | 46 | 3,926 |
| Hewlett-Packard Company | 174 | 6,296 |
| | | <u>10,222</u> |
| Construction & Engineering – 1.62% | | |
| Fluor Corporation | 137 | 6,125 |
| Department Stores – 0.79% | | |
| Kohl's Corporation (A) | 83 | 2,990 |
| Distillers & Vintners – 1.21% | | |
| Brown-Forman Corporation, Class B | 89 | 4,582 |
| Diversified Banks – 1.46% | | |
| Wells Fargo & Company | 188 | 5,548 |
| Diversified Chemicals – 0.96% | | |
| E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company | 143 | 3,628 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 229.

The Investments of Balanced

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|---------------|--------------|
| Electric Utilities – 1.76% | | |
| Exelon Corporation | 120 | \$ 6,662 |
| Electrical Components & Equipment – 1.32% | | |
| Emerson Electric Co. | 137 | 5,001 |
| Footwear – 0.98% | | |
| NIKE, Inc., Class B | 73 | 3,723 |
| Health Care Equipment – 0.71% | | |
| Zimmer Holdings, Inc. (A) | 66 | 2,672 |
| Health Care Supplies – 1.59% | | |
| DENTSPLY International Inc. | 213 | 6,001 |
| Household Products – 2.88% | | |
| Colgate-Palmolive Company | 159 | 10,891 |
| Hypermarkets & Super Centers – 1.97% | | |
| Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. | 133 | 7,450 |
| Industrial Gases – 1.18% | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. | 89 | 4,469 |
| Integrated Oil & Gas – 5.83% | | |
| BP p.l.c., ADR | 111 | 5,202 |
| Chevron Corporation | 80 | 5,903 |
| Exxon Mobil Corporation | 137 | 10,924 |
| | | 22,029 |
| Integrated Telecommunication Services – 1.74% | | |
| AT&T Inc. | 231 | 6,584 |
| Investment Banking & Brokerage – 0.53% | | |
| Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (The) | 24 | 2,000 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 229.

The Investments of Balanced

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|---------------|------------------|
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 0.93% | | |
| Schlumberger Limited | 83 | \$ 3,514 |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 0.66% | | |
| XTO Energy Inc. | 71 | 2,497 |
| Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation – 0.83% | | |
| Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. | 69 | 3,152 |
| Other Diversified Financial Services – 1.57% | | |
| J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. | 188 | 5,940 |
| Pharmaceuticals – 5.76% | | |
| Abbott Laboratories | 166 | 8,870 |
| Allergan, Inc. | 85 | 3,419 |
| Johnson & Johnson | 159 | 9,495 |
| | | 21,784 |
| Property & Casualty Insurance – 4.67% | | |
| Allstate Corporation (The) | 160 | 5,252 |
| Berkshire Hathaway Inc., Class B (A) | 2 | 6,107 |
| Travelers Companies, Inc. (The) | 140 | 6,305 |
| | | 17,664 |
| Semiconductors – 1.09% | | |
| Microchip Technology Incorporated | 211 | 4,115 |
| Soft Drinks – 3.47% | | |
| Coca-Cola Company (The) | 114 | 5,143 |
| PepsiCo, Inc. | 146 | 7,991 |
| | | 13,134 |
| Systems Software – 1.24% | | |
| Microsoft Corporation | 241 | 4,683 |
| Tobacco – 1.12% | | |
| Philip Morris International Inc. | 97 | 4,225 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 64.64% | | \$244,529 |
| (Cost: \$228,176) | | |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 229.

The Investments of Balanced

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| Agricultural Products – 0.38% | | |
| Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, 7.000%, 2–1–31 | \$1,350 | \$ 1,432 |
| Beverage / Bottling – 0.65% | | |
| Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc., 6.700%, 10–15–36 | 500 | 495 |
| Diageo Capital plc, 4.375%, 5–3–10 | 2,000 | 1,981 |
| | | <u>2,476</u> |
| Communications Equipment – 0.55% | | |
| Cisco Systems, Inc., 5.250%, 2–22–11 | 2,000 | 2,076 |
| Department Stores – 0.51% | | |
| Kohl's Corporation, 6.300%, 3–1–11 | 2,000 | 1,938 |
| Diversified Banks – 0.35% | | |
| Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., 7.550%, 6–21–10 | 1,250 | 1,301 |
| Electric – 0.47% | | |
| Hydro-Quebec, 8.000%, 2–1–13 | 1,500 | 1,766 |
| Electric Utilities – 0.25% | | |
| Exelon Corporation, 6.950%, 6–15–11 | 1,000 | 971 |
| Food Processors – 0.68% | | |
| Cargill, Inc., 6.375%, 6–1–12 (B) | 1,150 | 1,120 |
| Unilever Capital Corporation, 5.900%, 11–15–32 | 1,450 | 1,448 |
| | | <u>2,568</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 229.

The Investments of Balanced

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Food Retail – 0.54% | | |
| Kroger Co. (The), 6.200%, 6–15–12 | \$2,000 | \$ 2,035 |
| Home Improvement Retail – 0.52% | | |
| Home Depot, Inc. (The), 5.200%, 3–1–11 | 2,000 | 1,945 |
| Life Insurance – 0.72% | | |
| Principal Life Global, 6.250%, 2–15–12 (B) | 1,500 | 1,490 |
| StanCorp Financial Group, Inc., 6.875%, 10–1–12 | 1,375 | 1,244 |
| | | <u>2,734</u> |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 0.26% | | |
| XTO Energy Inc., 7.500%, 4–15–12 | 1,000 | 989 |
| Other Non-Agency REMIC/CMO – 0.01% | | |
| Banco Hipotecario Nacional: 7.916%, 7–25–09 (C) | 17 | —* |
| 8.000%, 3–31–11 (C) | 207 | 2 |
| Mellon Residential Funding, 6.750%, 6–25–28 | 47 | 48 |
| | | <u>50</u> |
| Pharmaceuticals – 0.54% | | |
| Abbott Laboratories, 3.750%, 3–15–11 | 2,000 | 2,026 |
| TOTAL CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES – 6.43% | | \$ 24,307 |
| (Cost: \$24,253) | | |
| UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT | | |
| AGENCY OBLIGATIONS | | |
| Agency Obligations – 0.28% | | |
| Federal National Mortgage Association, 7.250%, 1–15–10 | 1,000 | 1,068 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 229.

The Investments of Balanced

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGENCY OBLIGATIONS (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Mortgage-Backed Obligations – 3.22% | | |
| Federal National Mortgage Association Fixed Rate | | |
| Pass-Through Certificates: | | |
| 6.000%, 9–1–17 | \$ 416 | \$ 433 |
| 5.000%, 1–1–18 | 337 | 349 |
| 5.500%, 4–1–18 | 117 | 121 |
| 5.000%, 5–1–18 | 154 | 159 |
| 4.500%, 7–1–18 | 2,182 | 2,244 |
| 7.000%, 9–1–25 | 81 | 86 |
| 6.500%, 10–1–28 | 278 | 293 |
| 6.500%, 2–1–29 | 190 | 200 |
| 7.500%, 4–1–31 | 170 | 181 |
| 7.000%, 7–1–31 | 259 | 275 |
| 7.000%, 9–1–31 | 243 | 258 |
| 7.000%, 9–1–31 | 202 | 214 |
| 7.000%, 11–1–31 | 57 | 61 |
| 6.500%, 2–1–32 | 944 | 994 |
| 7.000%, 2–1–32 | 308 | 327 |
| 7.000%, 2–1–32 | 300 | 319 |
| 7.000%, 3–1–32 | 191 | 203 |
| 7.000%, 7–1–32 | 437 | 463 |
| 6.000%, 9–1–32 | 1,819 | 1,880 |
| 6.000%, 2–1–33 | 452 | 467 |
| 5.500%, 5–1–33 | 1,757 | 1,804 |
| 5.500%, 6–1–33 | 637 | 654 |
| Government National Mortgage Association Fixed Rate | | |
| Pass-Through Certificates: | | |
| 6.000%, 8–15–28 | 25 | 26 |
| 6.500%, 8–15–28 | 35 | 37 |
| United States Department of Veterans Affairs, | | |
| Guaranteed REMIC Pass-Through Certificates, | | |
| Vendee Mortgage Trust, 1997-A Class 3-A, | | |
| 8.293%, 12–15–26 | 112 | 133 |
| | | 12,181 |
| TOTAL UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGENCY OBLIGATIONS – 3.50% | | \$ 13,249 |
| (Cost: \$12,956) | | |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 229.

The Investments of Balanced

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Treasury Inflation Protected Obligations – 0.31% | | |
| United States Treasury Notes, | | |
| 3.000%, 7–15–12 (D) | \$1,205 | \$ 1,181 |
| Treasury Obligations – 16.26% | | |
| United States Treasury Bonds: | | |
| 7.500%, 11–15–16 | 1,500 | 2,048 |
| 7.250%, 8–15–22 | 4,000 | 5,816 |
| 6.250%, 8–15–23 | 5,250 | 7,160 |
| 5.250%, 2–15–29 | 1,150 | 1,525 |
| United States Treasury Notes: | | |
| 4.000%, 3–15–10 | 3,200 | 3,344 |
| 4.250%, 10–15–10 | 10,000 | 10,679 |
| 3.875%, 2–15–13 | 3,000 | 3,342 |
| 3.625%, 5–15–13 | 3,000 | 3,296 |
| 4.250%, 8–15–13 | 4,000 | 4,548 |
| 4.250%, 8–15–15 | 17,000 | 19,741 |
| | | <u>61,499</u> |
| TOTAL UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS – 16.57% | | \$ 62,680 |
| (Cost: \$54,161) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | | |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., | | |
| 0.050%, 1–2–09 | 761 | 761 |
| Caterpillar Inc., | | |
| 0.160%, 1–26–09 | 7,000 | 6,999 |
| Heinz (H.J.) Finance Co. (Heinz (H.J.) Co.), | | |
| 4.550%, 1–8–09 | 1,402 | 1,401 |
| Hershey Company (The), | | |
| 0.150%, 1–28–09 | 3,000 | 2,999 |
| ITT Corporation, | | |
| 2.000%, 1–5–09 | 800 | 800 |
| L'Oreal USA, Inc., | | |
| 0.120%, 1–9–09 | 10,057 | 10,057 |
| Siemens Capital Corp., | | |
| 0.150%, 1–8–09 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation, | | |
| 0.550%, 1–28–09 | 4,000 | 3,998 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 8.46% | | \$ 32,015 |
| (Cost: \$32,015) | | |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 229.

The Investments of Balanced

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| | Value |
|--|------------------|
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.60% | \$376,780 |
| (Cost: \$351,561) | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.40% | 1,505 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | \$378,285 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

*Not shown due to rounding as amount is less than 500.

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be liquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$2,610 or 0.69% of net assets.

(C) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be illiquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$2 or 0.00% of net assets.

(D) The interest rate for this security is a stated rate, but the interest payments are determined by multiplying the inflation-adjusted principal by one half of the stated rate for each semiannual interest payment date.

The following acronym is used throughout this portfolio:

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

REMIC = Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduit

Industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

BALANCED

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$351,561) | \$376,780 |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Dividends and interest | 1,710 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 6 |
| Total assets | <u>378,497</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 150 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 10 |
| Accrued management fee | 7 |
| Accrued service fee | 3 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | 1 |
| Other | 41 |
| Total liabilities | <u>212</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$378,285</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|---|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 49 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 343,663 |
| Accumulated undistributed income: | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 7,259 |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain on investment transactions | 2,095 |
| Net unrealized appreciation in value of investments | <u>25,219</u> |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$378,285</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 7.6960</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 49,153 |
| Capital shares authorized | 115,000 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

BALANCED

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$44) | \$ 6,930 |
| Interest and amortization | 5,162 |
| Total income | <u>12,092</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Investment management fee | 3,339 |
| Service fee | 1,192 |
| Accounting services fee | 130 |
| Custodian fees | 19 |
| Legal fees | 19 |
| Audit fees | 13 |
| Shareholder servicing | 5 |
| Other | 84 |
| Total expenses | <u>4,801</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>7,291</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|---------------------------|
| Realized net gain on investments | 4,018 |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(120,303)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(116,285)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(108,994)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

BALANCED
(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|-------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| DECREASE IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 7,291 | \$ 7,841 |
| Realized net gain on investments | 4,018 | 20,298 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (120,303) | 43,790 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (108,994) | 71,929 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (472) | (7,500) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (329) | (10) |
| | (801) | (7,510) |
| Capital share transactions | (71,363) | (69,810) |
| Total decrease | (181,158) | (5,391) |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 559,443 | 564,834 |
| End of period | \$378,285 | \$559,443 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | \$ 7,259 | \$ 439 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 1,515 | 1,713 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 106 | 769 |
| Shares redeemed | (9,774) | (10,058) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital shares | (8,153) | (7,576) |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 13,511 | \$ 16,019 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 801 | 7,510 |
| Value redeemed | (85,675) | (93,339) |
| Decrease in outstanding capital | \$ (71,363) | \$ (69,810) |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

BALANCED

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$9.7624 | \$8.7056 | \$7.9631 | \$7.6783 | \$7.1491 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | 0.1496 | 0.1388 | 0.1224 | 0.0999 | 0.1096 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain | | | | | |
| (loss) on investments. | (2.1997) | 1.0508 | 0.7704 | 0.2851 | 0.5292 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (2.0501) | 1.1896 | 0.8928 | 0.3850 | 0.6388 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.0096) | (0.1326) | (0.1207) | (0.1002) | (0.1096) |
| Capital gains | (0.0067) | (0.0002) | (0.0296) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.0163) | (0.1328) | (0.1503) | (0.1002) | (0.1096) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$7.6960 | \$9.7624 | \$8.7056 | \$7.9631 | \$7.6783 |
| Total return | -21.00% | 13.67% | 11.21% | 5.01% | 8.93% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$378 | \$559 | \$565 | \$582 | \$628 |
| Ratio of expenses to | | | | | |
| average net assets | 1.01% | 1.01% | 1.01% | 1.01% | 1.02% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets | 1.53% | 1.40% | 1.37% | 1.20% | 1.45% |
| Portfolio turnover rate. | 19% | 8% | 28% | 52% | 39% |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

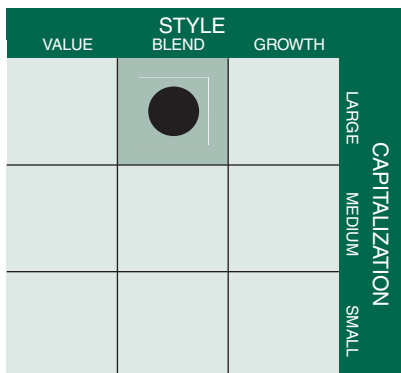
Manager's Discussion of Energy

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, David P. Ginther, CPA, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Energy, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. He has managed the Portfolio since its inception in May 2006 and has 13 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the life of the Portfolio. Source: Morningstar

Drilling stocks, alternative energy hurt results

Our positioning in oil service group stocks and alternative energy were significant sources of underperformance for us this past fiscal year. A very tight credit market had a major effect on the energy stocks, especially on the exploration and production companies that were spending more than their cash flow. As credit became less available for projects, companies had to change their capital spending plans and lowered the number of

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP Energy **-46.15%**

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

S&P 1500 Energy Sector Index **-35.79%**

(generally reflects the performance of stocks that represent the energy market)

**Lipper Variable Annuity
Natural Resources Funds
Universe Average** **-46.99%**

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

rigs drilling for oil and gas. As a result, oil service group stocks lagged the rest of the energy group.

Another sector that underperformed this past year was alternative energy, as funding for new technology disappeared and competitive fuels prices fell lower. Also, refineries were affected by falling demand as gasoline prices approached \$4 a gallon, leading to higher inventory levels. On the other hand, the integrated oil companies were the relative outperformers within the sector, largely due to their strong balance sheets and cash flow.

In addition, exploration and production companies that spent within their cash flow outperformed.

Oil prices collapsed

We think the best way to describe the energy sector this past year was that it was extremely volatile. Volatility in energy prices and equities was driven by the tightening of credit markets, the expectations of falling demand and action of speculators. During the fiscal year, we saw oil reach an all-time high of over \$147 per barrel in mid-July, driven by oil speculators and hedge funds specializing in commodities. Oil's unprecedented collapse to below \$40 per barrel in mid-December was driven by lower demand from the slowing global economies and the unwinding financial positions in the futures market. Also, OPEC decided to cut production again in December. OPEC has now cut production by 4.2 million barrels a day from September levels in an attempt to stabilize oil prices; OPEC has stated that they are comfortable with oil prices in the \$75 range.

Natural gas prices were also volatile as prices reached a high of \$14 per thousand cubic feet at the beginning of July, due to lower gas storage and the lack of liquefied natural gas imports, before retreating to \$5.20 per thousand cubic feet in mid-December. Prices fell due to rising natural gas production from unconventional resources – mainly the Barnett shale in Texas – and lower industry demand, due to the recession in the U.S.

We focused on a smaller number of stocks

Our strategy of focusing on long-term fundamentals has not changed, despite lower oil and natural gas prices. In the short term, we reduced the number of stocks and focused on what we feel are high-quality companies that we believe can manage the downturn in energy prices. Also, we focused on companies with strong balance sheets and cash flow that we feel can maintain production in the current economic environment. In the long term, we continue to focus on the growing production challenges, mainly in non-OPEC countries. We still prefer the oil service sector as they provide equipment and services for finding and developing reserves. We lowered our holdings in alternative energy due to the tight credit markets and weak oil and gas prices.

Our outlook

Oil market volatility and economic uncertainty will be the key drivers of the energy markets, in our opinion. Indeed, we have been focused on how the worldwide recession will affect the energy sector. Considering demand destruction is the first thought in a recession, in the year ahead we likely will see the first major decline in worldwide oil demand since the early 1980s. Clearly, we need the world economies to emerge from the economic slowdown and start to improve before getting more excited about oil demand. One catalyst could be the

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector | Industry |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
| Exxon Mobil Corporation | Energy | Integrated Oil & Gas |
| Southwestern Energy Company | Energy | Oil & Gas Exploration & Production |
| Schlumberger Limited | Energy | Oil & Gas Equipment & Services |
| Occidental Petroleum Corporation | Energy | Integrated Oil & Gas |
| Fluor Corporation | Industrials | Construction & Engineering |
| Apache Corporation | Energy | Oil & Gas Exploration & Production |
| National Oilwell Varco, Inc. | Energy | Oil & Gas Equipment & Services |
| Devon Energy Corporation | Energy | Oil & Gas Exploration & Production |
| First Solar, Inc. | Industrials | Electrical Components & Equipment |
| Halliburton Company | Energy | Oil & Gas Equipment & Services |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

massive economic stimulus package from President Obama and from other governments in Europe and Asia. Meanwhile, we believe that the supply side of oil remains a long-term positive. OPEC recently announced production cuts of 4.2 million barrels per day, and non-OPEC production

growth has been below expectations and likely will be flat in 2008, significantly below the initial estimate of 1.2 million barrels a day of growth. As such, we project non-OPEC production to be down in 2009 as energy companies cut capital spending budgets and delay projects.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Investing in companies involved in one specified sector may be more risky and volatile than an investment with greater diversification. Investing in the energy sector can be riskier than other types of investment activities because of a range of factors, including price fluctuation caused by real and perceived inflationary trends and political developments, and the cost assumed by energy companies in complying with environmental safety regulations. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

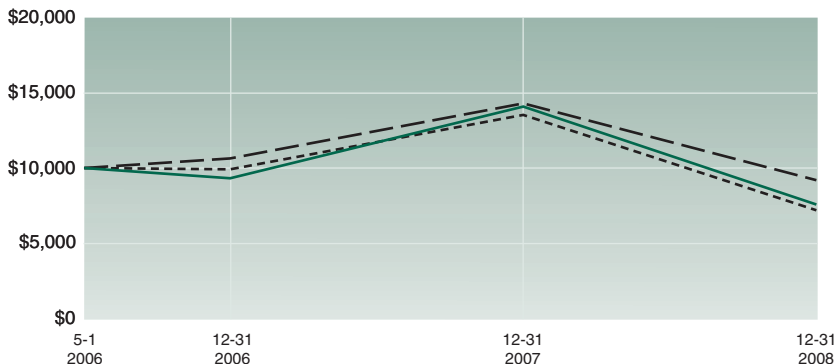
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP Energy.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|---|---------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Energy ⁽¹⁾ | \$7,593 |
| - - - | S&P 1500 Energy Sector Index ⁽²⁾ | \$9,188 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Natural Resources Universe Average ⁽²⁾ | \$7,187 |



(1) The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2) Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the indexes (including income) are not available, investment in the indexes was effected as of April 30, 2006.

Average Annual Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -46.15% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08 | -9.80% |

(3) Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4) 5-1-06 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders)

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF ENERGY

Portfolio Highlights

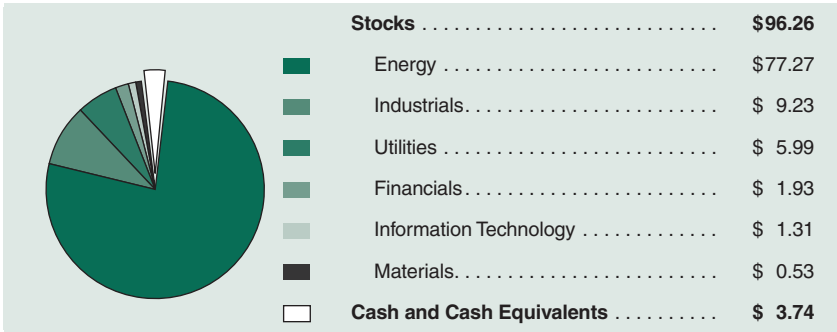
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On December 31, 2008, Energy had net assets totaling \$19,894 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 82.23% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 14.03% | Foreign Common Stocks |
| 3.74% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |

Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Energy

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Coal & Consumable Fuels – 2.86% | | |
| Arch Coal, Inc. | 8 | \$ 122 |
| Cameco Corporation | 5 | 86 |
| CONSOL Energy Inc. | 4 | 119 |
| Foundation Coal Holdings, Inc. | 5 | 65 |
| Peabody Energy Corporation | 8 | 177 |
| | | <u>569</u> |
| Construction & Engineering – 5.38% | | |
| Chicago Bridge & Iron Company N.V., NY Shares | 17 | 173 |
| Fluor Corporation | 13 | 601 |
| Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (A) | 6 | 296 |
| | | <u>1,070</u> |
| Construction & Farm Machinery & Heavy Trucks – 0.83% | | |
| Bucyrus International, Inc., Class A | 9 | 165 |
| Diversified Metals & Mining – 0.53% | | |
| BHP Billiton Limited, ADR | 2 | 105 |
| Electric Utilities – 3.98% | | |
| Entergy Corporation | 5 | 428 |
| Exelon Corporation | 7 | 364 |
| | | <u>792</u> |
| Electrical Components & Equipment – 3.02% | | |
| Energy Conversion Devices, Inc. (A) | 5 | 119 |
| First Solar, Inc. (A) | 4 | 483 |
| | | <u>602</u> |
| Independent Power Producers & Energy Traders – 2.01% | | |
| Mirant Corporation (A) | 9 | 170 |
| NRG Energy, Inc. (A) | 10 | 230 |
| | | <u>400</u> |
| Integrated Oil & Gas – 18.02% | | |
| BP p.l.c., ADR | 10 | 472 |
| ConocoPhillips | 8 | 414 |
| Exxon Mobil Corporation | 12 | 946 |
| Hess Corporation | 7 | 349 |
| Marathon Oil Corporation | 8 | 216 |
| Occidental Petroleum Corporation | 10 | 612 |
| Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. – Petrobras, ADR | 13 | 322 |
| Suncor Energy Inc. | 13 | 254 |
| | | <u>3,585</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 241.

The Investments of Energy

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|--------|
| Oil & Gas Drilling – 6.13% | | |
| ENSCO International Incorporated | 6 | \$ 177 |
| Helmerich & Payne, Inc. | 18 | 406 |
| Nabors Industries Ltd. (A) | 22 | 261 |
| Patterson-UTI Energy, Inc. | 14 | 166 |
| Transocean Inc. (A) | 4 | 210 |
| | | 1,220 |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 20.51% | | |
| Baker Hughes Incorporated | 7 | 211 |
| BJ Services Company | 23 | 263 |
| Cameron International Corporation (A) | 18 | 378 |
| Complete Production Services, Inc. (A) | 28 | 228 |
| FMC Technologies, Inc. (A) | 9 | 204 |
| Halliburton Company | 27 | 483 |
| NATCO Group Inc., Class A (A) | 8 | 127 |
| National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (A) | 24 | 582 |
| Schlumberger Limited | 15 | 624 |
| Smith International, Inc. | 14 | 312 |
| Technip SA, ADR | 3 | 97 |
| Tenaris S.A., ADR | 10 | 212 |
| Weatherford International Ltd. (A) | 33 | 358 |
| | | 4,079 |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 23.55% | | |
| Anadarko Petroleum Corporation | 7 | 262 |
| Apache Corporation | 8 | 600 |
| Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation | 4 | 96 |
| CNOOC Limited, ADR | 2 | 195 |
| Continental Resources, Inc. (A) | 18 | 371 |
| Devon Energy Corporation | 8 | 522 |
| EOG Resources, Inc. | 7 | 466 |
| Newfield Exploration Company (A) | 14 | 279 |
| Noble Energy, Inc. | 9 | 438 |
| Southwestern Energy Company (A) | 27 | 787 |
| Ultra Petroleum Corp. (A) | 7 | 231 |
| XTO Energy Inc. | 12 | 438 |
| | | 4,685 |
| Oil & Gas Refining & Marketing – 2.04% | | |
| Sunoco, Inc. | 5 | 226 |
| Valero Energy Corporation | 8 | 180 |
| | | 406 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 241.

The Investments of Energy

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|------------------|-----------------|
| Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation – 4.16% | | |
| El Paso Corporation | 28 | \$ 217 |
| El Paso Pipeline Partners, L.P. | 15 | 228 |
| Enbridge Inc. | 12 | 383 |
| | | 828 |
| Semiconductor Equipment – 1.31% | | |
| Applied Materials, Inc. | 26 | 261 |
| Specialized Finance – 1.93% | | |
| IntercontinentalExchange, Inc. (A) | 5 | 383 |
| | | 383 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 96.26% | | \$19,150 |
| (Cost: \$29,886) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 3.33% | | |
| | Principal | |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| CVS Caremark Corporation, 5.500%, 1–20–09 | \$664 | \$ 662 |
| | | 662 |
| (Cost: \$662) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.59% | | \$19,812 |
| (Cost: \$30,548) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.41% | | 82 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$19,894 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

The following acronym is used throughout this portfolio:

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

Industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

ENERGY

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$30,548) | \$19,812 |
| Cash | 59 |
| Receivables: | |
| Dividends and interest | 20 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 6 |
| Total assets | <u>19,897</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Accrued accounting services fee | 1 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 1 |
| Accrued service fee | —* |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 1 |
| Total liabilities | <u>3</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$19,894</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 5 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 31,906 |
| Accumulated loss: | |
| Accumulated net investment loss | (2) |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (1,279) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (10,736) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$19,894</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$3.7434</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 5,314 |
| Capital shares authorized | 20,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

ENERGY

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT LOSS

Income:

| | |
|---|------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$5) | \$ 229 |
| Interest and amortization | 64 |
| Total income | <u>293</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Investment management fee | 251 |
| Service fee | 74 |
| Accounting services fee | 22 |
| Audit fees | 18 |
| Custodian fees | 8 |
| Legal fees | 1 |
| Shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 13 |
| Total | <u>387</u> |
| Less expenses in excess of limit | (51) |
| Total expenses | <u>336</u> |
| Net investment loss | <u>(43)</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Realized net loss on securities | (1,407) |
| Realized net gain on written options | 131 |
| Realized net loss on investments | <u>(1,276)</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(16,275)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(17,551)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(17,594)</u></u> |

*Not shown due to rounding.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

ENERGY

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income (loss) | \$ (43) | \$ 106 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (1,276) | 93 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (16,275) | 5,712 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (17,594) | 5,911 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (29) | (78) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (32) | (70) |
| | (61) | (148) |
| Capital share transactions | 11,292 | 13,746 |
| Total increase (decrease) | (6,363) | 19,509 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 26,257 | 6,748 |
| End of period | \$19,894 | \$26,257 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income (loss) | \$ (2) | \$ 29 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 2,610 | 2,530 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 17 | 21 |
| Shares redeemed | (1,078) | (242) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | 1,549 | 2,309 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$17,103 | \$14,976 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 61 | 148 |
| Value redeemed | (5,872) | (1,378) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | \$11,292 | \$13,746 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

ENERGY

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | For the period from 5-1-06 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-06 |
|--|---|----------|---|
| | 2008 | 2007 | |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | \$6.9732 | \$4.6351 | \$5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from investment operations: | | | |
| Net investment income (loss) | (0.0103) | 0.0280 | 0.0248 |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (3.2080) | 2.3497 | (0.3654) |
| Total from investment operations | (3.2183) | 2.3777 | (0.3406) |
| Less distributions from: | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.0055) | (0.0209) | (0.0243) |
| Capital gains | (0.0060) | (0.0187) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.0115) | (0.0396) | (0.0243) |
| Net asset value, end of period | \$3.7434 | \$6.9732 | \$4.6351 |
| Total return | -46.15% | 51.30% | -6.81% |
| Net assets, end of period (in millions) | \$20 | \$26 | \$7 |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets including expense waiver | 1.14% | 0.52% | 0.64% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets including expense waiver | -0.15% | 0.78% | 1.05% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets excluding expense waiver | 1.31% | 1.32% | 1.49% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets excluding expense waiver | -0.32% | -0.02% | 0.20% ⁽²⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 10% | 13% | 12% |

(1) Commencement of operations.

(2) Annualized.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Manager's Discussion of Global Natural Resources

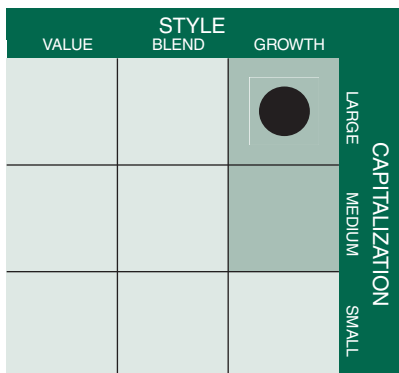
(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Ivy Funds VIP Global Natural Resources is subadvised by Mackenzie Financial Corp. of Canada.

Below, Frederick Sturm, CFA, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Global Natural Resources, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. He has managed the Portfolio for four years and has 28 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

The Portfolio had extremely disappointing results in the second half of calendar year 2008, resulting in severe underperformance for the fiscal year as a whole. We mishandled a one in 50 to 100-year market event as hedge-fund liquidation of emerging market shares and currencies had a particularly negative impact from August to November. As a globally diversified Portfolio, roughly half of the assets were invested outside the U.S., whereas many members of our Lipper peer group are almost exclusively invested in the U.S. The vast majority of the performance

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP Global Natural Resources **-61.46%**

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

MSCI Commodity-Related Index **-42.20%**

(generally representative of an unmanaged group of natural resources stocks)

Lipper Variable Annuity Natural Resources Funds Universe Average **-46.99%**

(generally representative of the performance of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

gap can be explained by this difference. Our weighting in certain overseas energy stocks that fared poorly during the year was greater than their weighting in the MSCI Commodity-Related Index benchmark, and this also contributed to our negative relative results.

For instance, Petrobras Brasileiro S.A. – Petrobras, ADR and Open Joint Stock Company Gazprom, ADR, two international energy industry leaders with superior access to resources that we held, declined on average

by 65 percent, whereas Exxon Mobil Corporation only slipped 13 percent. We remain ever conscious that we have some way to go to recapture value for investors. We are very thankful for the solid support of the Portfolio through this difficult period. While maintaining our core discipline, we have made some important adjustments, as mentioned below, that we expect will prove useful in the years ahead.

A question of patience

We believe there will be more dislocation in 2009 and that any economic recovery will take time. However, history suggests to us that panic modes do not last long. Global central bank response has been unprecedented, and fiscal stimulus will be progressively implemented worldwide throughout the coming year. This gives us hope that the strongest bonds and the strongest stocks have already seen their lows. Rarely in history has investor patience been tested as much as this, and yet we feel this patience will be the key for investors to be in position to capture the potential gains the next bull market in financial assets may bring.

We have adjusted our investment process in an effort to better calibrate global credit market impact to the resource sector for future reference. Thankfully, since the fourth quarter all central banks appear headed in the same direction, and are pumping money into the system. The U.K. has reduced its benchmark interest rate to 1.5 percent, the lowest in 300 years. We feel these are necessary, but perhaps not sufficient steps to offset the current loss of economic velocity. With some lag time, we expect their efforts to play well into financial markets, particularly the corporate bond market.

Utilities and convertibles appeared attractive

With this trend in mind, the Portfolio has been holding utilities and master limited partnerships. We believe the business models for larger diversified energy partnerships will sustain high yields and have the capacity to grow moderately over time. We plan to review opportunities in debt/convertible instruments

for the resource sectors, and during the year may add some positions selectively if they present higher-yielding opportunities.

We also believe that gold has demonstrated an ongoing bull market by continuing to rise in most global currency terms. If central bank and fiscal policy efforts to re-inflate do not take hold, then we believe there could be more buying of gold. We also feel gold could push to new highs if re-inflation proves too successful. For now, the Portfolio is positioned for a more positive turn in the market. We are underweight precious metals given our view that gold/oil valuation ratios are currently favoring oil. As opportunities rise, we may rebuild precious metals positions.

A renewable theme

Addressing a “Made in America” energy requirement is of interest to us as an investment theme. We believe energy security and environment are likely to be multi-year features of fiscal policy spending in the U.S. and around the world. Rather than think in terms of oil and alternatives, we think about new sources of electricity generation. Nuclear, solar, wind farms, and hybrid cars are all about electricity. New technology has improved the potential recovery of natural gas. This can also be fired up for electricity. Engineering and construction contracting companies may be expected to receive extra work. Electric car batteries may push lithium prices higher. We have woven this theme into the Portfolio, but recognize that tight credit markets may result in a few tough quarters before these growth themes gain strength again. We have been invested in renewable energy for several years, and we stand ready to participate more aggressively as opportunities are created.

Our outlook

If markets are indeed forming a bottom, then we think there is potential for gains from sectors that were most distressed during the sell-off. Coming out of the 2002 low it was the beaten down technology sector that posted some of the strongest initial gains. Coming out of the 1998 low, beaten down

emerging market stocks had significant bounces. This time the resource sector was strongly impacted, and we would not be surprised by a recovery period favoring resources. We believe leading resource stocks reached a low during the quarter and could potentially emerge from sustained recession pricing levels into an early recovery zone. We would expect them to trade in that zone awaiting support from renewed global growth.

A career in a year is how some investment professionals would describe fiscal year 2008. Global growth to recession, monetary tightening to unprecedented easing, record

high oil prices to a 75 percent off sale, all within one year. We think the economy will remain tough to start in 2009, but the economy and investment markets are only loosely tied at the hip. As portfolio managers, we must be ready for continued market volatility. However, we think good companies with reasonable results should be rewarded during the coming year. The market is doing its best to get investors to look at the immediate past, instead of into the future. Hidden by a fog of negative headlines, we believe 2009 could bring constructive progress for the base of the next potential bond and stock market advance.

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Country | Sector | Industry |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Inc. | Canada | Materials | Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals |
| Petroleo Brasileiro S.A.-Petrobras, ADR | Brazil | Energy | Integrated Oil & Gas |
| Petrohawk Energy Corporation | United States | Energy | Oil & Gas Exploration & Production |
| Open Joint Stock Company Gazprom, ADR | Russia | Energy | Integrated Oil & Gas |
| Companhia Vale do Rio Doce, ADR | Brazil | Materials | Diversified Metals & Mining |
| Canadian Natural Resources Limited | Canada | Energy | Oil & Gas Exploration & Production |
| Cameron International Corporation | United States | Energy | Oil & Gas Equipment & Services |
| National Oilwell Varco, Inc. | United States | Energy | Oil & Gas Equipment & Services |
| Mosaic Company | United States | Materials | Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals |
| Suncor Energy Inc. | Canada | Energy | Integrated Oil & Gas |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Investing in companies involved in one specified sector may be more risky and volatile than an investment with greater diversification. International investing involves additional risks including currency fluctuations, political or economic conditions affecting the foreign country, and differences in accounting standards and foreign regulations. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

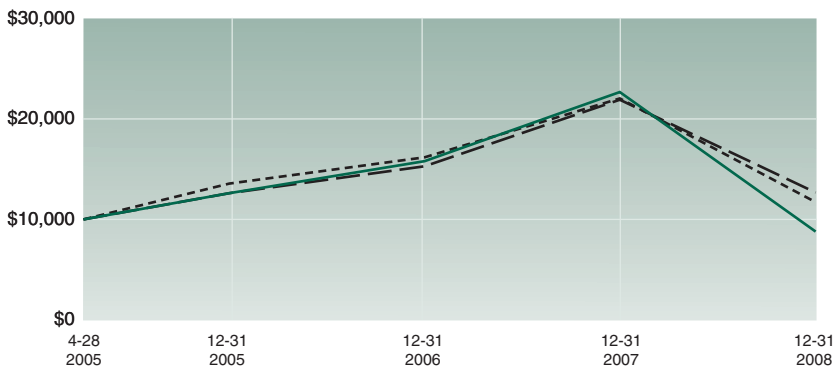
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Ivy Funds VIP Global Natural Resources.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Global Natural Resources ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 8,748 |
| --- | MSCI Commodity-Related Index ⁽²⁾ | \$12,675 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Natural Resources Funds Universe Average ⁽²⁾ | \$11,702 |



(1) The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2) Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the indexes (including income) are not available, investment in the indexes was effected as of April 30, 2005.

Average Annual Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -61.46% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08 | -3.57% |

(3) Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4) 4-28-05 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders)

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES

Portfolio Highlights

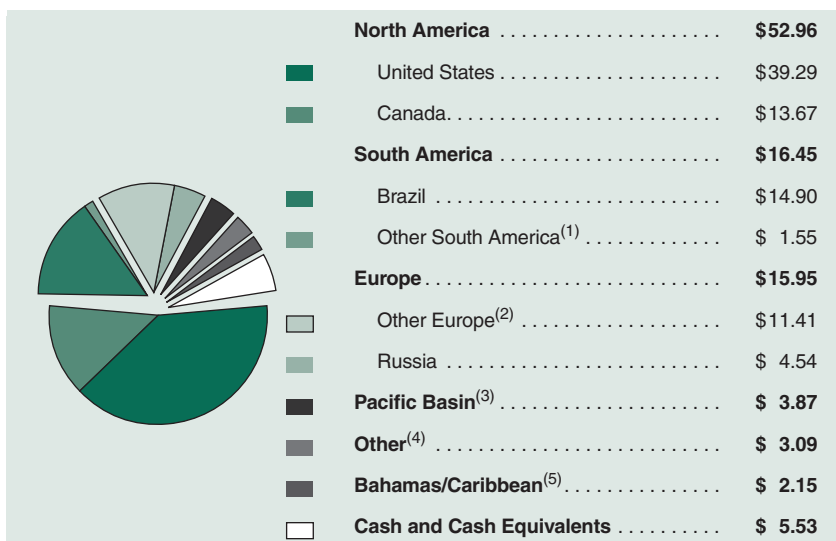
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On December 31, 2008, Global Natural Resources had net assets totaling \$69,461 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|-----------------------------------|
| 52.70% | Foreign Common Stocks |
| 38.69% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 5.53% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 2.19% | Foreign Preferred Stocks |
| 0.59% | Domestic Preferred Stocks |
| 0.30% | Foreign Corporate Debt Securities |

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio was invested by geographic region and by industry, respectively, as follows:

Country Weightings



(1)Includes \$1.55 Chile.

(2)Includes \$0.40 Cyprus, \$0.99 Denmark, \$0.43 France, \$2.33 Germany, \$0.71 Kazakhstan, \$0.29 Luxembourg, \$0.54 Netherlands, \$2.44 Norway, \$1.02 Spain and \$2.26 United Kingdom.

(3)Includes \$1.39 China, \$0.52 Hong Kong, \$0.52 Indonesia, \$0.19 Philippines, \$0.31 Singapore and \$0.94 Thailand.

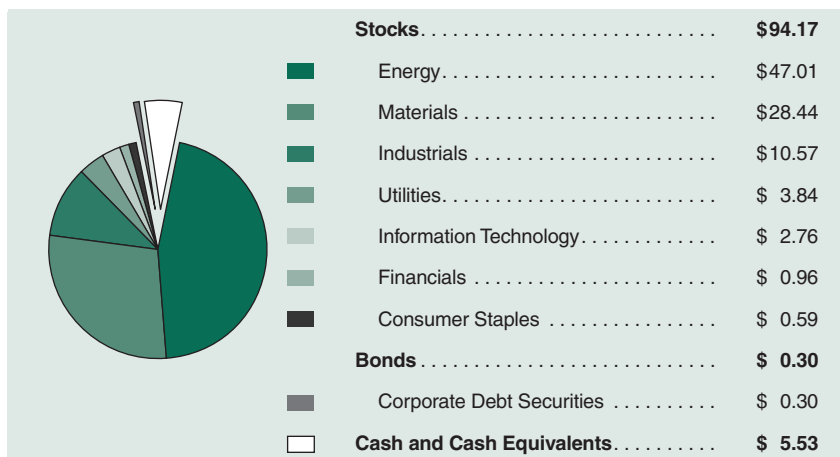
(4)Includes \$0.95 Israel, \$1.24 Panama and \$0.90 South Africa.

(5)Includes \$0.59 Bermuda and \$1.56 Cayman Islands.

Sector Weightings

(Unaudited)

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



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| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Bermuda – 0.59% | | |
| Bunge Limited | 8 | \$ 409 |
| Brazil – 12.60% | | |
| Companhia de Saneamento de Minas Gerais (A) | 109 | 880 |
| Companhia Energetica de Minas Gerais – CEMIG, ADR | 12 | 161 |
| Companhia Vale do Rio Doce, ADR | 234 | 2,493 |
| Petroleo Brasileiro S.A.- Petrobras, ADR | 155 | 3,164 |
| Suzano Bahia Sul Papel E Celulose S.A. (A) | 233 | 1,207 |
| Usinas Siderurgicas de Minas Gerais S.A. – USIMINAS (A) | 23 | 259 |
| Votorantim Celulose e Papel S.A. (A) | 23 | 177 |
| Votorantim Celulose e Papel S.A., ADR | 52 | 408 |
| | | <u>8,749</u> |
| Canada – 13.67% | | |
| Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited | 5 | 236 |
| Aquiline Resources Inc. (A)(B) | 45 | 64 |
| ARISE Technologies Corporation (A)(B) | 105 | 46 |
| Atacama Minerals Corp. (A)(B)(C) | 120 | 24 |
| Cameco Corporation | 12 | 209 |
| Canadian Natural Resources Limited (A)(B) | 55 | 2,213 |
| EnCana Corporation (A)(B) | 10 | 458 |
| First Quantum Minerals Ltd. (A) | 18 | 263 |
| MGM Energy Corp. (A)(B) | 261 | 41 |
| Pason Systems Inc. (A) | 11 | 126 |
| Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Inc. | 54 | 3,939 |
| Sino-Forest Corporation (A)(B)(C) | 39 | 317 |
| Suncor Energy Inc. (A)(B) | 80 | 1,558 |
| | | <u>9,494</u> |
| Cayman Islands – 1.37% | | |
| China High Speed Transmission Equipment Group Co., Ltd. (A) | 273 | 333 |
| JA Solar Holdings Co., Ltd., ADR (B) | 60 | 262 |
| Subsea 7 Inc. (A)(B) | 60 | 356 |
| | | <u>951</u> |
| Chile – 1.55% | | |
| Sociedad Quimica y Minera de Chile S.A., ADR | 44 | 1,078 |
| China – 1.39% | | |
| Yingli Green Energy Holding Company Limited, ADR (B) | 158 | 964 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 257.

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| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|--------|
| Cyprus – 0.40% | | |
| Buried Hill Energy (Cyprus) Public Company Limited (A)(B)(D) . . . | 70 | \$ 280 |
| Denmark – 0.99% | | |
| Vestas Wind Systems A/S (A)(B) | 12 | 689 |
| France – 0.43% | | |
| Vallourec (A) | 3 | 296 |
| Germany – 2.33% | | |
| SGL Carbon AG (A)(B) | 39 | 1,306 |
| Wacker Chemie AG (A)(B) | 3 | 312 |
| | | 1,618 |
| Hong Kong – 0.53% | | |
| Guangdong Investment Limited (A) | 902 | 365 |
| Indonesia – 0.52% | | |
| PT Bumi Resources Tbk (A) | 148 | 12 |
| PT Indo Tambangraya Megah Tbk. (A)(B) | 52 | 50 |
| PT Tambang Batubara Bukit Asam (Persero) Tbk (A)(B) | 469 | 296 |
| | | 358 |
| Israel – 0.95% | | |
| Israel Chemicals Ltd. (A)(B) | 95 | 663 |
| Kazakhstan – 0.71% | | |
| Joint Stock Company KazMunaiGas Exploration Production, GDR (A) | 39 | 493 |
| Luxembourg – 0.29% | | |
| Tenaris S.A., ADR | 10 | 203 |
| Netherlands – 0.54% | | |
| AMG Advanced Metallurgical Group N.V. (A)(B) | 10 | 101 |
| Core Laboratories N.V. | 5 | 275 |
| | | 376 |
| Norway – 2.44% | | |
| Aker Solutions ASA (A) | 68 | 450 |
| Renewable Energy Corporation ASA (A)(B) | 130 | 1,246 |
| | | 1,696 |

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(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|--------------|
| Panama – 1.24% | | |
| McDermott International, Inc. (B) | 87 | \$ 861 |
| Philippines – 0.19% | | |
| Energy Development Corporation (A) | 2,255 | 94 |
| Manila Water Company, Inc. (A)(B) | 135 | 38 |
| | | <u>132</u> |
| Russia – 4.54% | | |
| OAQ TMK, GDR (A) | 7 | 28 |
| Open Joint Stock Company Gazprom, ADR (A)(B) | 176 | 2,530 |
| Uralkali Group, GDR (A)(B) | 66 | 596 |
| | | <u>3,154</u> |
| Singapore – 0.31% | | |
| Straits Asia Resources Limited (A)(B) | 390 | 213 |
| South Africa – 0.90% | | |
| Impala Platinum Holdings Limited (A) | 44 | 625 |
| Spain – 1.02% | | |
| Gamesa Corporacion Tecnologica, S.A. (A) | 39 | 711 |
| Thailand – 0.94% | | |
| Banpu Public Company Limited (A)(B) | 75 | 499 |
| Banpu Public Company Limited, Registered Shares (A)(B) | 23 | 156 |
| | | <u>655</u> |
| United Kingdom – 2.26% | | |
| Eurasian Natural Resources Corporation PLC (A)(B) | 65 | 316 |
| Randgold Resources Limited, ADR | 29 | 1,256 |
| | | <u>1,572</u> |
| United States – 38.69% | | |
| Allegheny Technologies Incorporated | 57 | 1,460 |
| Alpha Natural Resources, Inc. (B) | 27 | 442 |
| Cameron International Corporation (B) | 85 | 1,743 |
| Celanese Corporation, Series A | 65 | 808 |
| Complete Production Services, Inc. (B) | 60 | 487 |
| CONSOL Energy Inc. | 10 | 297 |
| Copano Energy, L.L.C., Units | 26 | 303 |
| DCP Midstream Partners, LP | 7 | 70 |

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(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------------|
| United States (Continued) | | |
| El Paso Corporation | 52 | \$ 407 |
| Enbridge Energy Partners, L.P. | 9 | 224 |
| Energy Recovery, Inc. (B) | 22 | 168 |
| Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. | 26 | 422 |
| Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. | 39 | 1,326 |
| Enterprise Products Partners L.P. | 39 | 809 |
| Foster Wheeler Ltd. (B) | 30 | 699 |
| GrafTech International Ltd. (B) | 125 | 1,039 |
| Halliburton Company | 51 | 918 |
| Magellan Midstream Holdings, L.P. (B) | 13 | 182 |
| MarkWest Energy Partners, L.P. | 12 | 93 |
| Massey Energy Company | 61 | 834 |
| Monsanto Company | 7 | 507 |
| Mosaic Company | 47 | 1,619 |
| National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (B) | 69 | 1,674 |
| Oceaneering International, Inc. (B) | 13 | 379 |
| Peabody Energy Corporation | 65 | 1,479 |
| Petrohawk Energy Corporation (B) | 202 | 3,151 |
| Plains All American Pipeline, L.P. | 26 | 902 |
| Regency Energy Partners L.P. | 17 | 136 |
| Rockwood Holdings, Inc. (B) | 91 | 983 |
| Shaw Group Inc. (The) (B) | 11 | 227 |
| Smith International, Inc. | 14 | 330 |
| Southwestern Energy Company (B) | 11 | 327 |
| Targa Resources Partners LP | 13 | 101 |
| Transocean Inc. (B) | 28 | 1,323 |
| Verso Paper Holdings LLC | 53 | 54 |
| Williams Companies, Inc. (The) | 46 | 666 |
| Williams Partners L.P. | 24 | 289 |
| | | <u>26,878</u> |

TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 91.39%

\$63,483

(Cost: \$106,098)

PREFERRED STOCKS

Brazil – 2.19%

| | | |
|--|-----|--------------|
| Bradespar S.A. (A) | 81 | 668 |
| CESP – Companhia Energetica de Sao Paulo (A) | 104 | 674 |
| Companhia Energetica de Minas Gerais – CEMIG (A) | 13 | 177 |
| | | <u>1,519</u> |

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(In Thousands)

| PREFERRED STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|-----------|-----------------|
| United States – 0.59% | | |
| Konarka Technologies, Inc., 8.0% Cumulative (B)(D) | 68 | \$ 409 |
| TOTAL PREFERRED STOCKS – 2.78% | | \$ 1,928 |
| (Cost: \$2,687) | | |
| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES | Principal | |
| Brazil – 0.11% | | |
| Bahia Sul Celulose S.A., 8.614%, 12–1–12 (C)(E)(F) | BRL180 | 77 |
| Cayman Islands – 0.19% | | |
| Yingli Green Energy Holding Company Limited, Convertible, 0.000%, 12–15–12 | \$256 | 132 |
| TOTAL CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES – 0.30% | | \$ 209 |
| (Cost: \$220) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | | |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., 0.050%, 1–2–09 | 695 | 695 |
| Caterpillar Inc., 0.160%, 1–26–09 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1–5–09 | 700 | 700 |
| Sara Lee Corporation, 1.500%, 1–16–09 | 1,300 | 1,299 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 6.04% | | \$ 4,194 |
| (Cost: \$4,194) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 100.51% | | \$69,814 |
| (Cost: \$113,199) | | |
| LIABILITIES, NET OF CASH AND OTHER ASSETS – (0.51%) | | (353) |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$69,461 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 257.

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December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

Notes to Schedule of Investments

The following forward currency contracts were outstanding at December 31, 2008:

| Type | Currency | Principal Amount Covered by Contract | Settlement Date | Unrealized Appreciation | Unrealized Depreciation |
|------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Sell | British Pound | 49 | 1-15-09 | \$ 5 | \$ - |
| Sell | Euro | 183 | 2-5-09 | - | 21 |
| Sell | Euro | 315 | 3-5-09 | - | 36 |
| Sell | Norwegian Krone | 700 | 1-22-09 | 2 | - |
| Sell | Norwegian Krone | 650 | 2-5-09 | 5 | - |
| Sell | Norwegian Krone | 1,100 | 2-5-09 | - | —* |
| Sell | Norwegian Krone | 3,500 | 2-12-09 | - | 3 |
| Sell | South African Rand | 1,300 | 1-14-09 | - | 13 |
| Sell | South African Rand | 1,810 | 2-11-09 | - | 9 |
| Sell | South African Rand | 1,130 | 2-25-09 | - | 11 |
| Sell | South African Rand | 1,300 | 3-11-09 | - | 13 |
| | | | | <u>\$12</u> | <u>\$106</u> |

*Not shown due to rounding.

(A) Listed on an exchange outside the United States.

(B) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(C) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be illiquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$418 or 0.60% of net assets.

(D) Illiquid restricted securities. At December 31, 2008, the following restricted securities were owned:

| Security | Acquisition Date | Shares | Cost | Market Value |
|--|------------------|--------|--------------|--------------|
| Buried Hill Energy (Cyprus) Public Company Limited | 5-1-07 | 70 | \$117 | \$280 |
| Konarka Technologies, Inc., 8.0% Cumulative | 8-31-07 | 68 | <u>211</u> | <u>409</u> |
| | | | <u>\$328</u> | <u>\$689</u> |

The total value of these securities represented approximately 0.99% of net assets at December 31, 2008.

(E) Variable rate security. Interest rate disclosed is that which is in effect at December 31, 2008.

(F) Principal amounts are denominated in the indicated foreign currency, where applicable (BRL – Brazilian Real).

The following acronyms are used throughout this portfolio:

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

GDR = Global Depositary Receipts

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

Notes to Schedule of Investments (Continued)

Market Industry Diversification

(as a % of net assets)

| | |
|---|--------|
| Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals | 12.09% |
| Integrated Oil & Gas | 10.59% |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services | 10.03% |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production | 9.63% |
| Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation | 8.39% |
| Coal & Consumable Fuels | 6.46% |
| Electrical Components & Equipment | 5.03% |
| Diversified Metals & Mining | 4.59% |
| Paper Products | 2.77% |
| Heavy Electrical Equipment | 2.49% |
| Steel | 2.47% |
| Gold | 2.24% |
| Semiconductors | 2.17% |
| Oil & Gas Drilling | 1.91% |
| Specialty Chemicals | 1.87% |
| Water Utilities | 1.85% |
| Construction & Engineering | 1.33% |
| Industrial Conglomerates | 1.24% |
| Commodity Chemicals | 1.16% |
| Utilities | 0.97% |
| Investment Companies | 0.96% |
| Precious Metals & Minerals | 0.90% |
| Electric Utilities | 0.89% |
| Industrial Machinery | 0.67% |
| Technology | 0.59% |
| Agricultural Products | 0.59% |
| Forest Products | 0.46% |
| Independent Power Producers & Energy Traders | 0.13% |
| Other+ | 5.53% |

+Includes cash and cash equivalents and other assets and liabilities

Geographical and industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|---------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$113,199) | \$ 69,814 |
| Cash | 69 |
| Cash denominated in foreign currencies (cost – \$12) | 12 |
| Unrealized appreciation on forward currency contracts | 12 |
| Receivables: | |
| Investment securities sold | 231 |
| Dividends and interest | 162 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 87 |
| Total assets | <u>70,387</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 781 |
| Unrealized depreciation on forward currency contracts | 106 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 18 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 4 |
| Accrued management fee | 2 |
| Accrued service fee | —* |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 15 |
| Total liabilities | <u>926</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$ 69,461</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 21 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 137,924 |
| Accumulated loss: | |
| Accumulated net investment loss | (29) |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (24,965) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (43,490) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$ 69,461</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 3.3102</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 20,984 |
| Capital shares authorized | 35,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT LOSS

Income:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$152) | \$ 1,800 |
| Interest and amortization (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$2) | 66 |
| Total income | <u>1,866</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Investment management fee | 1,385 |
| Service fee | 346 |
| Custodian fees | 114 |
| Accounting services fee | 59 |
| Audit fees | 18 |
| Legal fees | 6 |
| Shareholder servicing | 1 |
| Other | 44 |
| Total expenses | <u>1,973</u> |
| Net investment loss | <u>(107)</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|---------------------------|
| Realized net loss on securities | (26,934) |
| Realized net gain on written options | 155 |
| Realized net gain on forward currency contracts | 2,699 |
| Realized net loss on foreign currency exchange transactions | (295) |
| Realized net loss on investments | <u>(24,375)</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of securities during the period | (80,301) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of forward currency contracts during the period | (293) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of foreign currency exchange transactions during the period | (16) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(80,610)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(104,985)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(105,092)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income (loss) | \$ (107) | \$ 244 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (24,375) | 18,592 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (80,610) | 26,009 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (105,092) | 44,845 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (1,938) | (33) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (7,876) | (11,800) |
| | (9,814) | (11,833) |
| Capital share transactions | 19,745 | 41,158 |
| Total increase (decrease) | (95,161) | 74,170 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 164,622 | 90,452 |
| End of period | \$ 69,461 | \$ 164,622 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income (loss) | \$ (29) | \$ 198 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 4,707 | 4,071 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 3,097 | 1,174 |
| Shares redeemed | (3,146) | (867) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | 4,658 | 4,378 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 32,047 | \$ 37,170 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 9,814 | 11,833 |
| Value redeemed | (22,116) | (7,845) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | \$ 19,745 | \$ 41,158 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | For the period |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------|-----------|--|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | from 4-28-05 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-05 |
| Net asset value, | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$ 10.0838 | \$ 7.5711 | \$ 6.2719 | \$ 5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | |
| income (loss) | 0.0088 | 0.0148 | 0.0295 | (0.0112) |
| Net realized and | | | | |
| unrealized gain (loss) | | | | |
| on investments | (6.2310) | 3.2797 | 1.5690 | 1.3132 |
| Total from investment | | | | |
| operations | (6.2222) | 3.2945 | 1.5985 | 1.3020 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.1089) | (0.0022) | (0.0235) | (0.0000) |
| Capital gains | (0.4425) | (0.7796) | (0.2758) | (0.0301) |
| Total distributions | (0.5514) | (0.7818) | (0.2993) | (0.0301) |
| Net asset value, | | | | |
| end of period | \$ 3.3102 | \$ 10.0838 | \$ 7.5711 | \$ 6.2719 |
| Total return | -61.46% | 43.50% | 25.49% | 26.04% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$69 | \$165 | \$90 | \$32 |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | |
| net assets | 1.43% | 1.38% | 1.51% | 2.17% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | |
| income (loss) to average | | | | |
| net assets | -0.08% | 0.20% | 0.53% | -0.60% ⁽²⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 206% | 122% | 111% | 66% |

(1)Commencement of operations.

(2)Annualized.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Managers' Discussion of Real Estate Securities

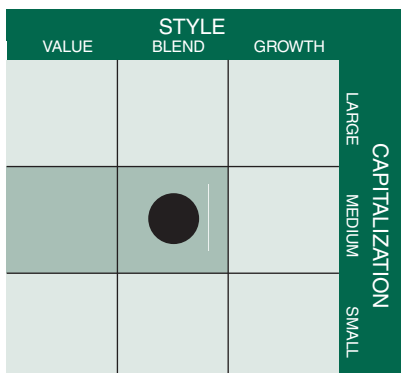
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December 31, 2008



Ivy Funds VIP Real Estate Securities is subadvised by Advantus Capital Management, Inc.

Below, Joseph R. Betlej, CFA, and Lowell R. Bolken, CFA, portfolio managers of Ivy Funds VIP Real Estate Securities, discuss positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. Mr. Betlej has managed the Portfolio since its inception in 2004 and has 24 years of industry experience, while Mr. Bolken has managed the Portfolio for three years and has 19 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

Recession weighed on commercial real estate

It was a volatile year for real estate securities. While these stocks remained strong performers relative to the broader equity markets for the first three quarters of 2008, they plunged in the fourth quarter, resulting

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Ivy Funds VIP Real Estate Securities | -36.04% |
| Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category | |
| Dow Jones Wilshire Real Estate Securities Index | -39.83% |
| (generally reflects stocks of commercial real estate companies) | |
| Lipper Variable Annuity Real Estate Funds Universe Average | -39.90% |
| (generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives) | |

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

in additional negative performance of the Portfolio's benchmark, the Dow Jones Wilshire Real Estate Securities Index. While the Portfolio lost slightly less money than the index and its Lipper peer group, we fully share your disappointment with these extremely negative absolute results.

For most of the year, the largest factor influencing returns was the availability of capital to real estate companies. The year began with sources of debt capital decreasing for real estate, resulting in a short-term decline in stock prices. As capital availability and pricing improved, the stocks bounced back. However, numerous events that influenced the broader financial markets began to weigh on the commercial mortgage debt markets, pressuring stocks after mid-year. The dam appeared to break after Lehman Brothers filed for bankruptcy protection in mid-September, resulting in a precipitous decline in REIT (real estate investment trusts) stocks. Sources of debt for commercial real estate began to dwindle, thereby causing that market to virtually shut down in mid-November. Prices for REITs, at that point, hit their low for the year, before a rally ensued into year-end as the frozen financing markets began to thaw.

Expectations that occupancies and rental rates would decline also put pressure on real estate stocks. For most property types the declines were not evident until later in the year, but weakness in the broader economy caused some declines in stock prices as demand for commercial real estate was expected to diminish.

Cash flow declines made investors nervous

Asset pricing overall was negatively impacted by investor expectations for higher returns. The risk of declining cash flow for real estate companies and a higher cost of capital made

investors nervous, as they began to require higher current and long-term returns to invest in commercial real estate. Investor demand for higher yields on commercial mortgage-backed securities and senior debt for REITs caused valuations of real estate stocks to suffer. One positive factor for the group was the decline in the yield on the 10-year Treasury from roughly 4 percent to 2 percent. With this move, yield-conscious investors began to seek sources of high current yields, increasing the attraction of REITs.

As it became apparent that the weak financial markets would likely weigh on real estate stocks, the Portfolio was positioned more conservatively. Cash positions were raised as the year progressed, with the expectation that better buying opportunities would be made available in the future. Indeed, volatility in real estate stocks allowed us to trade more aggressively. For example, stock price corrections provided the ability to be contrarian investors, and we found opportunities in which stock prices overly discounted our operating fundamental views.

Additions were made to more defensive property types, such as apartment and health care real estate companies, with the expectation that their earnings would be more sustainable in a weakening economy. Exposure to real estate lenders was eliminated and exposure to companies with sizable development pipelines was reduced. At the company level, the Portfolio focused on companies with strong balance sheets and modest debt maturities, reflecting the scarcity

Top 10 Equity Holdings December 31, 2008

| Company | Sector | Industry |
|--------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Simon Property Group, Inc. | Financials | Retail REITs |
| Public Storage, Inc. | Financials | Specialized REITs |
| Vornado Realty Trust | Financials | Diversified REITs |
| Equity Residential | Financials | Residential REITs |
| Health Care Property Investors, Inc. | Financials | Specialized REITs |
| Boston Properties, Inc. | Financials | Office REITs |
| Ventas, Inc. | Financials | Specialized REITs |
| Essex Property Trust, Inc. | Financials | Residential REITs |
| ProLogis | Financials | Industrial REITs |
| AvalonBay Communities, Inc. | Financials | Residential REITs |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

of debt capital in the market. Additionally, the Portfolio favored experienced management teams deemed capable of leading their companies through tougher economic scenarios.

Our outlook

We believe the market for real estate securities will continue to be negatively impacted by declining occupancy and rental rate growth. Headline risk likely will remain high as this weakness becomes more apparent. While commercial mortgage loan delinquencies are expected to increase as the year progresses, signs indicate that the finance markets should become more consistent, albeit at more conservative terms. As such, we believe that the financing market visibility should help stabilize real estate valuations. Nonetheless, as these factors

merge, volatility will continue to impact this market, in our opinion.

We feel that public real estate companies should be better prepared than many other sectors of the economy to weather the tough economic headwinds, due to the diversity of their portfolios and long-term, predictable cash flow nature of their leases. The average REIT's cash flow is twice as much as its fixed expenses, allowing REITs to potentially distinguish themselves from their private market peers that have substantially higher debt levels. Additionally, there has been the relative absence of overbuilding due to credit market constraints, diminishing the deleterious effects of oversupply that typically accompany an economic downturn. Should there be reports of favorable news for real estate and the economy, or if the economic bailout begins to produce results, we believe that REITs could rally strongly.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Investment risks associated with real estate securities, in addition to other risks, include rental income fluctuation, depreciation, property tax value changes and differences in real estate market values. Real estate securities are subject to interest rate risk and, as such, the Portfolio's net asset value may fall as interest rates rise. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

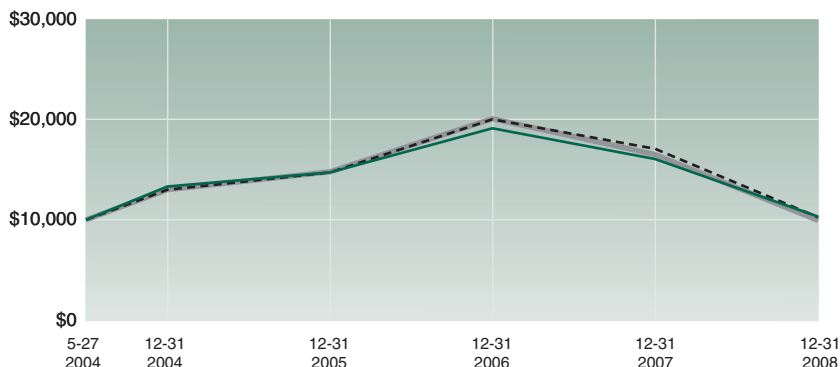
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio managers and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The managers' views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Real Estate Securities.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|---|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Real Estate Securities ⁽¹⁾ | \$10,269 |
| — | Dow Jones Wilshire Real Estate Securities Index ⁽²⁾ | \$ 9,935 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Real Estate Funds Universe Average ⁽²⁾ . . . | \$10,246 |



(1) The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2) Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the indexes (including income) are not available, investment in the indexes was effected as of May 31, 2004.

Average Annual Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -36.04% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08 | 0.58% |

(3) Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4) 5-27-04 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders)

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF REAL ESTATE SECURITIES

Portfolio Highlights

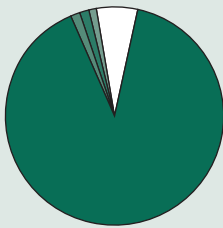
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On December 31, 2008, Real Estate Securities had net assets totaling \$28,934 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 93.29% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 5.98% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 0.73% | Foreign Common Stocks |

Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



| | |
|--|----------------|
| Stocks | \$94.02 |
| Financials | \$93.19 |
| Telecommunication Services | \$ 0.45 |
| Health Care | \$ 0.23 |
| Consumer Discretionary | \$ 0.15 |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | \$ 5.98 |

The Investments of Real Estate Securities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Diversified REITs – 9.73% | | |
| Liberty Property Trust | 10 | \$ 219 |
| PS Business Parks, Inc. | 9 | 389 |
| Vornado Realty Trust | 26 | 1,587 |
| Washington Real Estate Investment Trust | 22 | 620 |
| | | <u>2,815</u> |
| Health Care Facilities – 0.23% | | |
| Sun Healthcare Group, Inc. (A) | 8 | 66 |
| Hotels, Resorts & Cruise Lines – 0.15% | | |
| Marriott International, Inc., Class A | 2 | 45 |
| Industrial REITs – 4.92% | | |
| AMB Property Corporation | 10 | 242 |
| EastGroup Properties, Inc. | 9 | 313 |
| ProLogis | 63 | 868 |
| | | <u>1,423</u> |
| Office REITs – 16.47% | | |
| Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc. | 6 | 374 |
| Boston Properties, Inc. | 22 | 1,215 |
| Corporate Office Properties Trust | 22 | 672 |
| Cousins Properties Incorporated | 15 | 213 |
| Digital Realty Trust, Inc. | 24 | 802 |
| Douglas Emmett, Inc. | 43 | 558 |
| Highwoods Properties, Inc. | 3 | 85 |
| Kilroy Realty Corporation | 19 | 619 |
| SL Green Realty Corp. | 9 | 228 |
| | | <u>4,766</u> |
| Real Estate Management & Development – 0.73% | | |
| Brookfield Properties Corporation | 16 | 122 |
| CB Richard Ellis Group, Inc., Class A (A) | 21 | 90 |
| | | <u>212</u> |
| Residential REITs – 16.08% | | |
| American Campus Communities, Inc. | 11 | 215 |
| AvalonBay Communities, Inc. | 14 | 836 |
| BRE Properties, Inc., Class A | 16 | 439 |
| Camden Property Trust | 7 | 225 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 270.

The Investments of Real Estate Securities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|----------|
| Residential REITs (Continued) | | |
| Equity Residential | 44 | \$ 1,318 |
| Essex Property Trust, Inc. | 12 | 906 |
| Home Properties, Inc. | 5 | 207 |
| Mid-America Apartment Communities, Inc. | 10 | 383 |
| UDR, Inc. | 9 | 123 |
| | | 4,652 |
| Retail REITs – 22.60% | | |
| Acadia Realty Trust | 21 | 298 |
| Federal Realty Investment Trust | 12 | 720 |
| General Growth Properties, Inc. | 49 | 64 |
| Kimco Realty Corporation | 44 | 803 |
| Kite Realty Group Trust | 16 | 91 |
| Macerich Company (The) | 22 | 396 |
| National Retail Properties, Inc. | 20 | 339 |
| Regency Centers Corporation | 15 | 701 |
| Saul Centers, Inc. | 7 | 292 |
| Simon Property Group, Inc. | 41 | 2,162 |
| Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. | 9 | 327 |
| Taubman Centers, Inc. | 14 | 346 |
| | | 6,539 |
| Specialized REITs – 22.40% | | |
| Cogdell Spencer Inc. | 9 | 85 |
| Entertainment Properties Trust | 3 | 95 |
| Health Care Property Investors, Inc. | 45 | 1,253 |
| Health Care REIT, Inc. | 19 | 793 |
| Healthcare Realty Trust Incorporated | 12 | 291 |
| Hersha Hospitality Trust | 35 | 105 |
| Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. | 48 | 364 |
| LaSalle Hotel Properties | 14 | 151 |
| Nationwide Health Properties, Inc. | 19 | 543 |
| Public Storage, Inc. | 23 | 1,797 |
| Ventas, Inc. | 30 | 1,004 |
| | | 6,481 |
| Wireless Telecommunication Service – 0.45% | | |
| American Tower Corporation, Class A (A) | 4 | 129 |
| | | \$27,128 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 93.76% | | |
| (Cost: \$38,966) | | |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 270.

The Investments of Real Estate Securities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| INVESTMENT FUNDS – 0.26% | Shares | Value |
|--|-----------|-----------------|
| Sector Fund-Real Estate | | |
| ProShares UltraShort Real Estate | 2 | \$ 76 |
| (Cost: \$101) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | | |
| | Principal | |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., | | |
| 0.050%, 1–2–09 | \$655 | 655 |
| ITT Corporation, | | |
| 2.000%, 1–5–09 | 800 | 800 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 5.03% | | \$ 1,455 |
| (Cost: \$1,455) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.05% | | \$28,659 |
| (Cost: \$40,522) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.95% | | 275 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$28,934 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

Industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

REAL ESTATE SECURITIES

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$40,522) | \$ 28,659 |
| Cash | 3 |
| Receivables: | |
| Dividends and interest | 208 |
| Investment securities sold | 93 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 5 |
| Total assets | <u>28,968</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 27 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 2 |
| Accrued management fee | 1 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 1 |
| Accrued service fee | —* |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 3 |
| Total liabilities | <u>34</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$ 28,934</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 7 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 45,843 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 876 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (5,929) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (11,863) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$ 28,934</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 4.3040</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 6,722 |
| Capital shares authorized | 20,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

Statement of Operations

REAL ESTATE SECURITIES

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$3) | \$ 1,260 |
| Interest and amortization | 58 |
| Total income | <u>1,318</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Investment management fee | 391 |
| Service fee | 109 |
| Accounting services fee | 28 |
| Custodian fees | 15 |
| Audit fees | 9 |
| Legal fees | 3 |
| Shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 14 |
| Total expenses | <u>569</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>749</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Realized net loss on investments | (5,660) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | (12,764) |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(18,424)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(17,675)</u></u> |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

REAL ESTATE SECURITIES

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| DECREASE IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 749 | \$ 643 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (5,660) | 2,097 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (12,764) | (12,974) |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | (17,675) | (10,234) |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (253) | (310) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (730) | (2,186) |
| | (983) | (2,496) |
| Capital share transactions | (711) | 1,261 |
| Total decrease | (19,369) | (11,469) |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 48,303 | 59,772 |
| End of period | \$28,934 | \$48,303 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | \$ 876 | \$ 380 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 1,306 | 1,647 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 248 | 357 |
| Shares redeemed | (1,745) | (1,900) |
| Increase (decrease) in outstanding capital shares | (191) | 104 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 8,526 | \$14,670 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 983 | 2,496 |
| Value redeemed | (10,220) | (15,905) |
| Increase (decrease) in outstanding capital | \$ (711) | \$ 1,261 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

REAL ESTATE SECURITIES

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | For the period |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | from 5-27-04 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-04 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$6.9867 | \$8.7770 | \$6.9610 | \$6.5176 | \$5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income | 0.1143 | 0.0938 | 0.0367 | 0.0779 | 0.0396 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain (loss) | | | | | |
| on investments | (2.6453) | (1.5033) | 2.0572 | 0.6278 | 1.5935 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (2.5310) | (1.4095) | 2.0939 | 0.7057 | 1.6331 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income | (0.0390) | (0.0473) | (0.0607) | (0.0954) | (0.0349) |
| Capital gains | (0.1127) | (0.3335) | (0.2172) | (0.1669) | (0.0806) |
| Total distributions | (0.1517) | (0.3808) | (0.2779) | (0.2623) | (0.1155) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$4.3040 | \$6.9867 | \$8.7770 | \$6.9610 | \$6.5176 |
| Total return | -36.04% | -16.07% | 30.08% | 10.83% | 32.66% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$29 | \$48 | \$60 | \$33 | \$19 |
| Ratio of expenses to | | | | | |
| average net assets | | | | | |
| including expense | | | | | |
| waiver | 1.31% | 1.30% | 1.31% | 1.38% | 1.21% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average net | | | | | |
| assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.73% | 1.08% | 1.03% | 1.26% | 2.14% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of expenses to | | | | | |
| average net assets | | | | | |
| excluding expense | | | | | |
| waiver | 1.31% ⁽³⁾ | 1.30% ⁽³⁾ | 1.31% ⁽³⁾ | 1.38% ⁽³⁾ | 1.55% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average net | | | | | |
| assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.73% ⁽³⁾ | 1.08% ⁽³⁾ | 1.03% ⁽³⁾ | 1.26% ⁽³⁾ | 1.80% ⁽²⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 45% | 50% | 32% | 48% | 53% |

(1) Commencement of operations.

(2) Annualized.

(3) There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

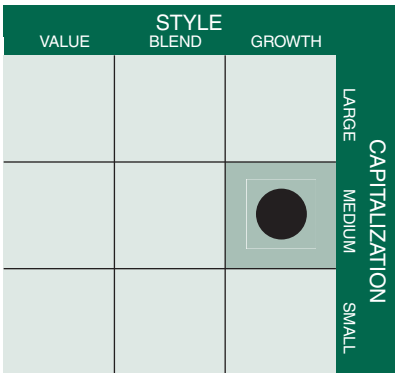
Manager's Discussion of Science and Technology

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, Zachary H. Shafran, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Science and Technology, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. He has managed the Portfolio for eight years and has 20 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's equity investment style and the size of companies in the Portfolio, as measured by market capitalization. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

We are disappointed that the Portfolio lost money this past fiscal year. However, given the extremes of the financial markets and the world economy, we did lose less money than our benchmark and less than our Lipper peer group.

We outpaced our benchmark for two primary reasons: First, entering the year and throughout the course of the year, we

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP Science and Technology **-33.89%**

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

S&P North American Technology Sector Index **-43.32%**

(generally reflects the performance of science and technology U.S. stocks)

Lipper Variable Annuity Science & Technology Funds Universe Average **-45.46%**

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. The S&P North American Technology Sector Index changed its name this past year from the S&P GSTI Composite Index.

maintained a larger-than-normal cash reserve. Second, stock selection and defensive positioning in some areas allowed the Portfolio to preserve more capital than the benchmark. Fiscal year 2008 was highly unusual in many respects, and frustrating. On an industry basis, we did well in biotechnology, but many areas of focus were both absolute and relative underperformers.

An economic and market meltdown

The most challenging part of the year began in mid-September when a real confluence of macroeconomic and financial market events negatively impacted all financial markets. The collapse in the U.S. housing market, near collapse in the U.K. and Spanish housing markets, and tighter credit conditions brought economic activity around the globe to a virtual standstill.

We've long held that a prudent aspect of investment analysis across multiple sectors is to never underestimate the power of bad management. Last year we learned just how damaging and widespread incompetence could be. Problems in the banking sector spread rapidly throughout the entire global economy. Our areas of focus have not been immune. There has been a precipitous decline in capital investment on the part of business and consumer alike, even to the extent where governments, businesses, and individuals have just stopped spending. We believe this is likely temporary. We think the path out includes a focus on technology and innovation that improve energy efficiency and productivity across many industries – from meter reading to highway traffic control to health care record automation.

We have boosted our position in biotechnology to the highest level in several years. We like this area now for two reasons:

- there have been substantial clinical advances and unique products that appear likely to come to market within the next 12 to 24 months and
- we feel valuations are compelling given the sharp pullback in stock prices.

We have also researched and have started to invest in convertible securities of several companies where we already held the underlying equity and thoroughly understand the business. During the debt boom earlier in the decade, some companies in science and technology took advantage of cheap money to issue debt convertible into common stock. Liquidity issues in the fourth quarter of 2008 for some of these debt securities resulted in sharp price drops. Such securities became not

only appealing on a fundamental basis, but in some instances much more appealing as an investment than the underlying common stock.

A research driven process

The foundation of what we do, that is to seek to identify what we feel are the world's leading science and technology companies through a largely bottom-up, that is company by company, fundamentally driven research process with an overarching top down perspective remains unchanged. Given the more cautious, obviously not cautious enough, view we held throughout the year, our cash position remained higher than normal, in excess of 10 percent of assets throughout much of the year. We looked to sectors and companies that we believed would be relatively better prepared to weather a difficult economic environment; those companies that were more attractively valued and whose businesses were more stable, and were largely self-sufficient when it came to the need for capital.

Our outlook

We continue to believe the economic and financial market environment will remain challenging. Our plan is to stick with our stock selection philosophy, which has two main tenets. First, we aim to identify what we feel are the strongest secular trends within industries. Second, we then apply bottom-up research to specific companies in order to identify what we believe to be the right stocks within which to invest.

We are encouraged by the actions both taken and currently being contemplated on an individual and coordinated basis by major governments and central banks alike around the globe. While we ultimately believe these, as well as other actions, will set the stage for a return to growth, the more immediate focus remains stability, confidence, and improved liquidity. We plan to remain relatively defensive and most selective in our efforts for the foreseeable future.

**Top 10 Equity Holdings
December 31, 2008**

| Company | Sector | Industry |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Cerner Corporation | Health Care | Health Care Technology |
| Noble Energy, Inc. | Energy | Oil & Gas Exploration & Production |
| ESCO Technologies Inc. | Industrials | Industrial Machinery |
| Archer Daniels Midland Company | Consumer Staples | Agricultural Products |
| Cree, Inc. | Information Technology | Semiconductors |
| Genzyme Corporation | Health Care | Biotechnology |
| Aspen Technology, Inc. | Information Technology | Application Software |
| Bunge Limited | Consumer Staples | Agricultural Products |
| ACI Worldwide, Inc. | Information Technology | Application Software |
| Research In Motion Limited | Information Technology | Communications Equipment |

See your advisor for more information on the Portfolio's most recently published Top 10 Equity Holdings.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Investing in companies involved in one specified sector may be more risky and volatile than an investment with greater diversification. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

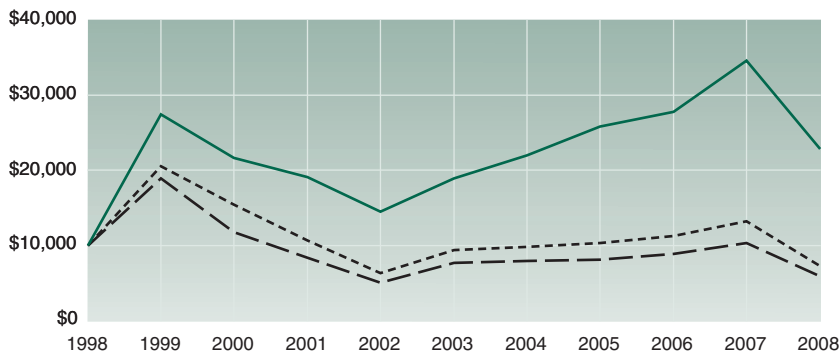
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Science and Technology.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Science and Technology ⁽¹⁾ | \$22,869 |
| --- | S&P North American Technology Sector Index | \$ 5,858 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Science & Technology Funds Universe Average | \$ 7,216 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -33.89% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | 3.87% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 8.62% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Portfolio Highlights

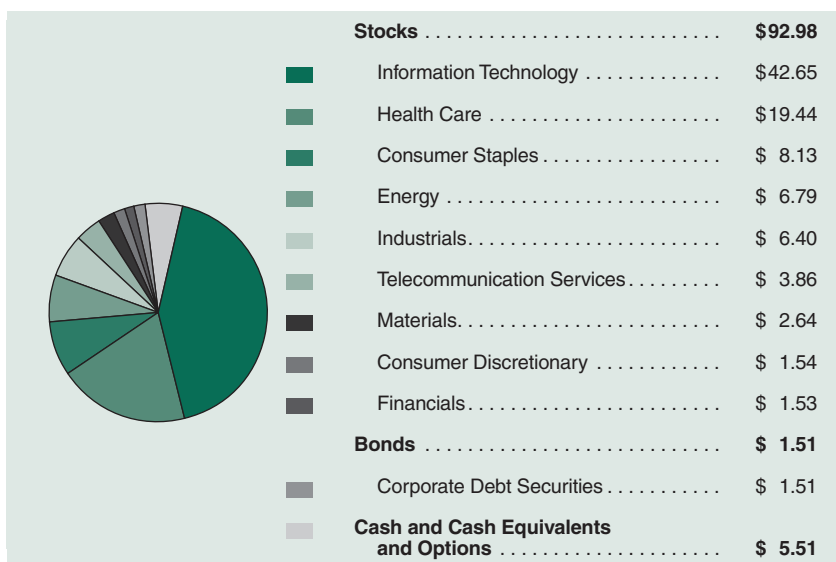
(Unaudited)

On December 31, 2008, Science and Technology had net assets totaling \$226,153 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|---|
| 81.29% | Domestic Common Stocks |
| 11.69% | Foreign Common Stocks |
| 5.51% | Cash and Cash Equivalents and Put Options |
| 1.51% | Domestic Corporate Debt Securities |

Asset Allocation

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Science and Technology

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|--|--------|---------------|
| Agricultural Products – 8.13% | | |
| Archer Daniels Midland Company | 343 | \$ 9,886 |
| Bunge Limited | 164 | 8,511 |
| | | <u>18,397</u> |
| Application Software – 10.11% | | |
| ACI Worldwide, Inc. (A) | 515 | 8,182 |
| Aspen Technology, Inc. (A) | 1,158 | 8,592 |
| Lawson Software, Inc. (A) | 1,286 | 6,093 |
| | | <u>22,867</u> |
| Biotechnology – 7.81% | | |
| Amgen Inc. (A) | 112 | 6,468 |
| Genzyme Corporation (A)(B) | 135 | 8,987 |
| Isis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (A) | 155 | 2,202 |
| | | <u>17,657</u> |
| Communications Equipment – 4.97% | | |
| QUALCOMM Incorporated | 116 | 4,164 |
| Research In Motion Limited (A) | 175 | 7,081 |
| | | <u>11,245</u> |
| Computer Hardware – 0.94% | | |
| Apple Inc. (A) | 25 | 2,125 |
| | | <u>2,125</u> |
| Computer Storage & Peripherals – 1.02% | | |
| Data Domain, Inc. (A) | 66 | 1,235 |
| Netezza Corporation (A) | 162 | 1,074 |
| | | <u>2,309</u> |
| Consumer Electronics – 1.15% | | |
| Garmin Ltd. | 136 | 2,615 |
| | | <u>2,615</u> |
| Data Processing & Outsourced Services – 6.56% | | |
| Alliance Data Systems Corporation (A)(B) | 66 | 3,057 |
| Euronet Worldwide, Inc. (A) | 341 | 3,956 |
| Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. | 185 | 3,010 |
| Lender Processing Services, Inc. | 163 | 4,800 |
| | | <u>14,823</u> |
| Diversified Chemicals – 2.64% | | |
| E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company | 128 | 3,236 |
| FMC Corporation | 61 | 2,724 |
| | | <u>5,960</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 284.

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Electrical Components & Equipment – 1.50% | | |
| POWER-ONE, INC. (A) | 860 | \$ 1,023 |
| Ultralife Corporation (A) | 177 | 2,374 |
| | | <u>3,397</u> |
| Electronic Equipment & Instruments – 0.49% | | |
| IPG Photonics Corporation (A) | 85 | 1,114 |
| | | <u>1,114</u> |
| General Merchandise Stores – 0.39% | | |
| Conn's, Inc. (A) | 104 | 878 |
| | | <u>878</u> |
| Health Care Distributors – 0.34% | | |
| Animal Health International, Inc. (A) | 359 | 764 |
| | | <u>764</u> |
| Health Care Equipment – 0.27% | | |
| Insulet Corporation (A) | 79 | 609 |
| | | <u>609</u> |
| Health Care Facilities – 2.00% | | |
| HealthSouth Corporation (A) | 307 | 3,366 |
| LifePoint Hospitals, Inc. (A) | 50 | 1,146 |
| | | <u>4,512</u> |
| Health Care Supplies – 0.48% | | |
| TranS1 Inc. (A) | 151 | 1,091 |
| | | <u>1,091</u> |
| Health Care Technology – 8.06% | | |
| Cerner Corporation (A)(B) | 434 | 16,703 |
| Eclipsys Corporation (A) | 108 | 1,534 |
| | | <u>18,237</u> |
| Home Entertainment Software – 2.81% | | |
| Nintendo Co., Ltd. (C) | 17 | 6,344 |
| | | <u>6,344</u> |
| Industrial Machinery – 4.90% | | |
| ESCO Technologies Inc. (A) | 247 | 10,131 |
| Pentair, Inc. | 40 | 944 |
| | | <u>11,075</u> |
| Integrated Telecommunication Services – 3.86% | | |
| AT&T Inc. | 176 | 5,013 |
| CenturyTel, Inc. | 41 | 1,118 |
| Embarq Corporation | 72 | 2,600 |
| | | <u>8,731</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 284.

The Investments of Science and Technology

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS (Continued) | Shares | Value |
|---|--------|------------------|
| Internet Software & Services – 1.96% | | |
| SAVVIS, Inc. (A) | 214 | \$ 1,472 |
| Yahoo! Inc. (A) | 243 | 2,960 |
| | | <u>4,432</u> |
| IT Consulting & Other Services – 1.85% | | |
| Telvent GIT, S.A. (C)(D) | 108 | 1,424 |
| Telvent GIT, S.A. | 190 | 2,768 |
| | | <u>4,192</u> |
| Life & Health Insurance – 0.59% | | |
| Amil Participacoes S.A. (C) | 436 | 1,345 |
| Managed Health Care – 0.48% | | |
| WellCare Health Plans, Inc. (A) | 85 | 1,089 |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 0.43% | | |
| ION Geophysical Corporation (A) | 285 | 977 |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 6.36% | | |
| Noble Energy, Inc. (B) | 292 | 14,377 |
| Semiconductor Equipment – 0.15% | | |
| EMCORE Corporation (A) | 257 | 333 |
| Semiconductors – 10.43% | | |
| Cree, Inc. (A) | 593 | 9,403 |
| Marvell Technology Group Ltd. (A) | 49 | 327 |
| Maxim Integrated Products, Inc. | 167 | 1,907 |
| Microsemi Corporation (A) | 77 | 976 |
| ON Semiconductor Corporation (A) | 326 | 1,107 |
| PMC-Sierra, Inc. (A) | 853 | 4,143 |
| Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. (C) | 16 | 5,724 |
| | | <u>23,587</u> |
| Specialized Finance – 0.94% | | |
| CME Group Inc. | 10 | 2,123 |
| Systems Software – 1.36% | | |
| Microsoft Corporation | 158 | 3,074 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 92.98% | | \$210,279 |
| (Cost: \$264,523) | | |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 284.

The Investments of Science and Technology

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES – 1.51% | Principal | Value |
|--|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Health Care Facilities | | |
| LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., Convertible, 3.250%, 8–15–25 | \$4,750 | <u>\$ 3,414</u> |
| (Cost: \$3,018) | | |
| | Number of Contracts | |
| PUT OPTIONS | | |
| Alliance Data Systems Corporation, Mar \$38.00, Expires 3–23–09 | 1 | 177 |
| Cerner Corporation: Mar \$34.00, Expires 3–23–09 | 2 | 291 |
| Jun \$31.50, Expires 6–22–09 | 2 | <u>513</u> |
| TOTAL PUT OPTIONS – 0.43% | | \$ 981 |
| (Cost: \$1,169) | | |
| | Principal | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | | |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Campbell Soup Co., 0.050%, 1–28–09 | \$2,000 | 2,000 |
| Diageo Capital plc (Diageo plc), 5.500%, 1–21–09 | 2,500 | 2,492 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1–5–09 | 1,942 | 1,942 |
| McCormick & Co. Inc., 0.150%, 1–2–09 | 500 | 500 |
| Praxair Inc., 0.120%, 2–17–09 | 2,000 | <u>2,000</u> |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 3.95% | | \$ 8,934 |
| (Cost: \$8,934) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 98.87% | | \$223,608 |
| (Cost: \$277,644) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 1.13% | | 2,545 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$226,153 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 284.

The Investments of Science and Technology

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Securities serve as cover for the following written options outstanding at December 31, 2008:

| Underlying Security | Contracts Subject to Call | Expiration Month/ Exercise Price | Premium Received | Market Value |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Alliance Data Systems Corporation | 1 | February/45.0 | \$ 319 | \$ 350 |
| Cerner Corporation | 2 | March/42.5 | 379 | 260 |
| | 2 | June/41.5 | 561 | 650 |
| Genzyme Corporation | 1 | January/82.5 | 442 | 2 |
| Noble Energy, Inc. | 1 | January/50.0 | 673 | 196 |
| | | | <u>\$2,374</u> | <u>\$1,458</u> |

(C) Listed on an exchange outside the United States.

(D) Illiquid restricted security. At December 31, 2008, the following restricted security was owned:

| Security | Acquisition Date | Shares | Cost | Market Value |
|-------------------|------------------|--------|----------------|----------------|
| Telvent GIT, S.A. | 9-15-08 | 108 | <u>\$2,301</u> | <u>\$1,424</u> |

The total value of this security represented approximately 0.63% of net assets at December 31, 2008.

Industry classifications are unaudited

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$277,644) | \$223,608 |
| Cash | 2 |
| Cash denominated in foreign currencies (cost – \$4,187). | 3,873 |
| Receivables: | |
| Investment securities sold | 633 |
| Dividends and interest | 90 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 54 |
| Total assets | <u>228,260</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Outstanding written options – at value (premium received – \$2,374) | 1,458 |
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 492 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 111 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 7 |
| Accrued management fee | 5 |
| Accrued service fee | 2 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 32 |
| Total liabilities | <u>2,107</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$226,153</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 20 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 265,934 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated net investment loss | (24) |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain | |
| on investment transactions | 13,657 |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (53,434) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$226,153</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$11.4251</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 19,794 |
| Capital shares authorized | 45,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT LOSS

Income:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$50) | \$ 1,556 |
| Interest and amortization | 1,427 |
| Total income | <u>2,983</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Investment management fee | 2,686 |
| Service fee | 790 |
| Accounting services fee | 103 |
| Custodian fees | 39 |
| Audit fees | 16 |
| Legal fees | 10 |
| Shareholder servicing | 3 |
| Other | 62 |
| Total | <u>3,709</u> |
| Less expenses in excess of limit | (64) |
| Total expenses | <u>3,645</u> |
| Net investment loss | <u>(662)</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|--|---------------------------|
| Realized net gain on securities | 10,296 |
| Realized net gain on written options | 4,686 |
| Realized net loss on foreign currency exchange transactions | (16) |
| Realized net gain on investments | <u>14,966</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of securities during the period | <u>(139,456)</u> |
| Unrealized appreciation in value of written options during the period | 916 |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of foreign currency exchange transactions during the period | (315) |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | <u>(138,855)</u> |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(123,889)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(124,551)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment loss | \$ (662) | \$ (1,573) |
| Realized net gain on investments | 14,966 | 78,040 |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (138,855) | 5,303 |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (124,551) | 81,770 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | — | — |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (8,411) | (73,000) |
| | (8,411) | (73,000) |
| Capital share transactions | (37,315) | 35,441 |
| Total increase (decrease) | (170,277) | 44,211 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 396,430 | 352,219 |
| End of period | <u>\$226,153</u> | <u>\$396,430</u> |
| Accumulated net investment loss | \$ (24) | \$ (25) |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 1,167 | 1,208 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 768 | 4,061 |
| Shares redeemed | (4,192) | (3,098) |
| Increase (decrease) in outstanding capital shares | (2,257) | 2,171 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 17,258 | \$ 24,507 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 8,411 | 73,000 |
| Value redeemed | (62,984) | (62,066) |
| Increase (decrease) in outstanding capital | <u>\$ (37,315)</u> | <u>\$ 35,441</u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$17.9777 | \$17.7170 | \$16.8844 | \$14.4014 | \$12.3883 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment loss | (0.0336) | (0.0712) | (0.1178) | (0.1145) | (0.0751) |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain (loss) | | | | | |
| on investments | (6.0778) | 4.3892 | 1.4468 | 2.5975 | 2.0882 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (6.1114) | 4.3180 | 1.3290 | 2.4830 | 2.0131 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment | | | | | |
| income | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Capital gains | (0.4412) | (4.0573) | (0.4964) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.4412) | (4.0573) | (0.4964) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$11.4251 | \$17.9777 | \$17.7170 | \$16.8844 | \$14.4014 |
| Total return | -33.89% | 24.37% | 7.87% | 17.25% | 16.25% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$226 | \$396 | \$352 | \$361 | \$322 |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.16% | 1.15% | 1.17% | 1.17% | 1.17% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| loss to average net | | | | | |
| assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | -0.21% | -0.42% | -0.65% | -0.74% | -0.59% |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 1.18% | 1.17% | 1.18% | 1.17% ⁽¹⁾ | 1.17% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| loss to average net | | | | | |
| assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | -0.23% | -0.44% | -0.66% | -0.74% ⁽¹⁾ | -0.59% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 62% | 73% | 71% | 104% | 107% |

(1) There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

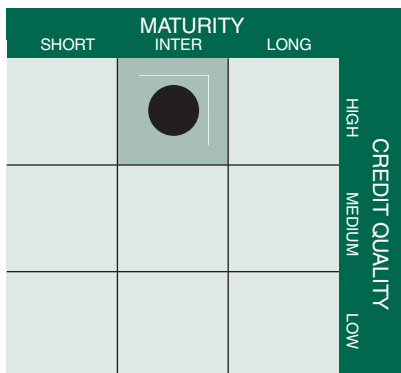
Manager's Discussion of Bond Portfolio

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, Mark J. Otterstrom, CFA, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Bond, discusses positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. He has managed the Portfolio for four months and has 22 years of industry experience. Mr. Otterstrom succeeded James C. Cusser, who had managed the Portfolio for 16 years.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's fixed-income investment style by displaying the average credit quality of the bonds owned and the Portfolio's interest rate sensitivity, as measured by average maturity. Shaded areas show the past three years of quarterly data.

A quality upgrade helped

Early last year, we made a concerted effort to increase the credit quality of the Portfolio. We began to underweight lower quality corporate credits and significantly underweight conventional mortgage loans. As a result, the Portfolio's duration was short its benchmark through the third quarter, then lengthened early in the fourth quarter of 2008. This strategy helped us outpace our Lipper peer group this past fiscal year, but resulted in a

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP Bond 0.31%

Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category

Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index 7.02%

(generally reflects the performance of securities representing the bond market)

Lipper Variable Annuity Corporate Debt Funds A Rated Universe Average -5.43%

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

return that was significantly less than the benchmark. The benchmark also had a higher proportion of government securities such as Treasuries than the Portfolio, and these performed better than corporate securities.

Meanwhile, we were overweight agency debt and heavily overweight in high-grade corporate bonds. Lower rated corporate bonds were one of the worst-performing sectors in this space. Due to the collapse of the financial markets bonds issued by

financial institutions performed very poorly since September 2008. However, the few financials we owned were issued by some of the best-performing companies.

The Portfolio also avoided the major losses suffered by many funds in our Lipper peer group. Due to the total collapse of the housing market over the last 12 months, conventional mortgage loan pools and collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs) collectively were the worst-performing sector in the taxable bond market. However, we made a conscious effort more than a year ago to underweight this sector, and the Portfolio had low exposure to these types of securities. Finally, our overweighting of government sponsored-enterprise-backed mortgages has led to more stable returns over the last 12 months.

Treasuries performed well

Treasuries have been the star performer the past year. The Federal Reserve began its 325 basis points of tightening back in September 2007, when the current credit crisis was in its infancy. Then throughout 2008, the Fed cut rates frequently in an effort to help provide liquidity for the financial system and to try to prevent a deep recessionary period from taking hold. Given this, the yield curve has changed dramatically this past year; Treasury yields are lower across all maturities, and the curve has steepened dramatically.

Elsewhere, corporate bond issuance was heavily weighted in the first half of the year as companies wanted to take advantage of the low interest-rate environment. In addition, companies wanted to issue debt in advance of the election cycle and the uncertainty surrounding the policies of a new administration.

Credit spreads on agency debt were fairly wide most of the year. Agency spreads first widened due to the uncertainty over the viability and survivability of FNMA (Fannie Mae) and FHLMC (Freddie Mac). Once the Treasury put them into conservatorship this past summer, agency spreads widened again. However, during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year, agency spreads narrowed

dramatically. As such, the Portfolio benefited from having an overweight position in agency debt.

Credit spreads began to look unsustainably tight to us over a year ago. Due to these tight spreads we actively avoided lower-rated, higher-yielding corporate bonds. As it became more apparent that the housing crisis could become a much more important and damaging event to our economy, we began to sell mortgages that were not issued by government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs). As a result of these actions, the Portfolio was underweight conventional mortgage loans. This turned out to be a very good strategy. We were also short duration versus our Lipper peer group and underweight lower quality corporate bonds throughout most of this year. This, too, has turned out to be a very good decision.

Bond Portfolio Characteristics

As of December 31, 2008

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Average maturity | 4.8 years |
| Effective duration | 3.7 years |
| Weighted average bond rating | AA+ |

Our outlook

The credit market has been challenging, especially for those financials with exposure to sub-prime mortgage-backed securities. We have consciously been underweight financials and instead have concentrated on buying what we feel are highly rated, well-managed corporate names. The financials we did own have performed relatively well, given the state of the U.S. financial crisis. We also have added a few positions in agency pass-through bonds. We continue to feel high-quality mortgage-backed securities will outperform other fixed-income products over the next 12 months.

With our capital markets in disarray, we believe it is more important than ever to have a balanced, conservative Portfolio. We intend to remain overweight Treasuries and GSE debt. We also intend to remain underweight conventional mortgages and spread product. We anticipate this strategy to continue until we feel there is a clear and sustainable foundation to our credit markets. We believe

we should begin to see some normalcy to the short-term credit markets as central banks worldwide make coordinated efforts to improve bank solvency. The VIX index, a measure of equity market volatility, has fallen dramatically over the last three months; and

we believe that financial asset price volatility should continue to fall throughout 2009. As credit markets begin to stabilize, we expect to add selectively to our exposure to spread product and begin to lower our exposure to Treasury and agency debt.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Fixed-income securities are subject to interest rate risk and, as such, the Portfolio's net asset value may fall as interest rates rise. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

Certain U.S. government securities in which the Portfolio may invest, such as Treasury securities and securities issued by the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae), are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government. However, other U.S. government securities in which the Portfolio may invest, such as securities issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae), the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) and the Federal Home Loan Banks (FHLB) are not backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, are not insured or guaranteed by the U.S. government and, instead, may be supported only by the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury or by the credit of the issuer.

On Sept. 7, 2008, the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA), an agency of the U.S. government, placed Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac into conservatorship, a statutory process with the objective of returning the entities to normal business operations. FHFA will act as the conservator to operate Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac until they are stabilized. It is unclear what effect this conservatorship will have on the securities issued or guaranteed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac.

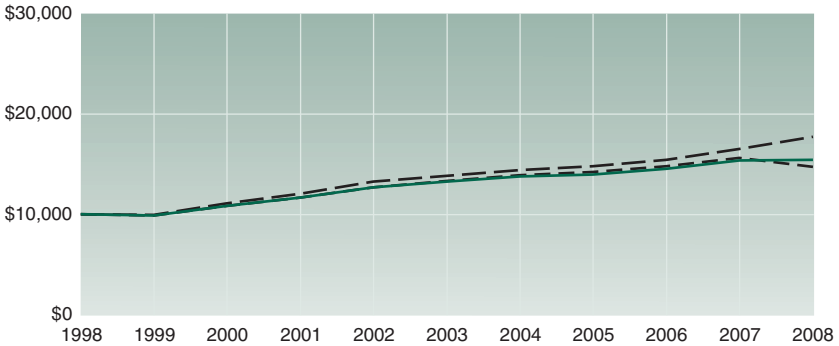
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Bond.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Bond ⁽¹⁾ | \$15,408 |
| - - - | Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Index | \$17,674 |
| - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity Corporate Debt Funds A-Rated Universe Average | \$14,719 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | 0.31% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | 3.13% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 4.42% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF BOND

Portfolio Highlights

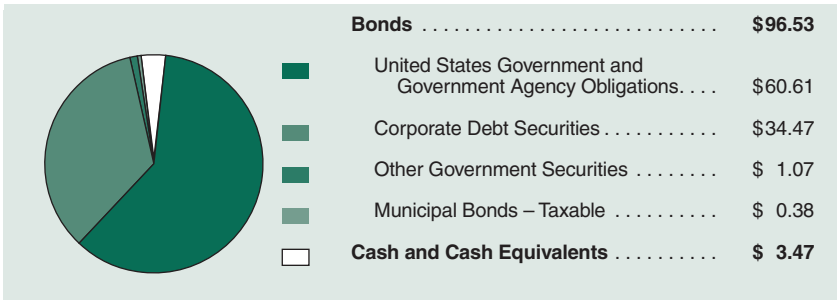
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On December 31, 2008, Bond had net assets totaling \$334,139 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|--|
| 60.61% | United States Government and Government Agency Obligations |
| 30.98% | Domestic Corporate Debt Securities |
| 3.49% | Foreign Corporate Debt Securities |
| 3.47% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 1.07% | Other Government Securities |
| 0.38% | Municipal Bonds Taxable |

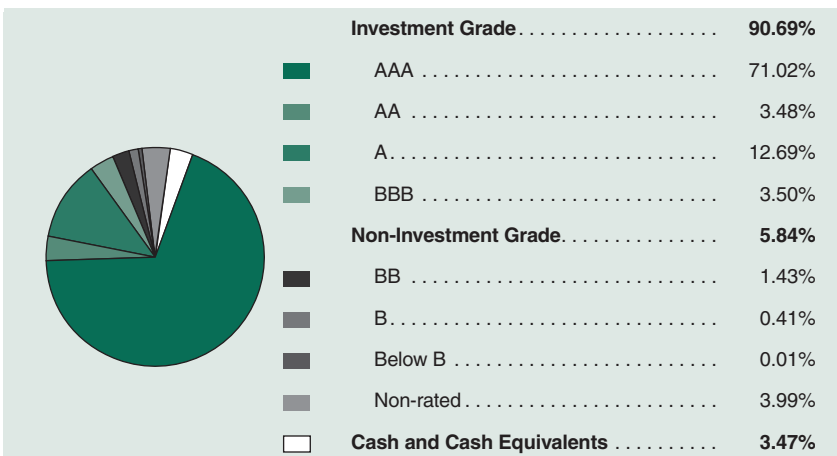
Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



Quality Weightings

On December 31, 2008, the breakdown of bonds (by ratings) held by the Portfolio was as follows:



Ratings reflected in the wheel are taken from Standard & Poor's.

The Investments of Bond

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|--------------|
| Aerospace & Defense – 0.96% | | |
| United Technologies Corporation, 6.125%, 2–1–19 | \$3,000 | \$ 3,210 |
| Banking – 1.98% | | |
| Sovereign Bank (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation), 2.750%, 1–17–12 (A) | 5,000 | 5,130 |
| Wells Fargo Financial, Inc., 5.500%, 8–1–12 | 1,500 | 1,499 |
| | | <u>6,629</u> |
| Beverage / Bottling – 0.73% | | |
| Coca-Cola Company (The), 5.350%, 11–15–17 | 2,250 | 2,428 |
| Biotechnology – 0.32% | | |
| Amgen Inc., 6.150%, 6–1–18 | 1,000 | 1,061 |
| Building Products – 0.30% | | |
| Hanson PLC, 7.875%, 9–27–10 | 2,500 | 1,010 |
| Cable / Media – 1.09% | | |
| Comcast Cable Communications, Inc., 8.500%, 5–1–27 | 1,250 | 1,409 |
| EchoStar DBS Corporation, 6.375%, 10–1–11 | 750 | 697 |
| Walt Disney Company (The), 4.700%, 12–1–12 | 1,500 | 1,544 |
| | | <u>3,650</u> |
| Chemicals – 0.61% | | |
| E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, 5.000%, 1–15–13 | 2,000 | 2,018 |
| Coal & Consumable Fuels – 0.28% | | |
| Peabody Energy Corporation, 6.875%, 3–15–13 | 1,000 | 947 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 305.

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|---------------|
| Computer Hardware – 0.97% | | |
| Hewlett-Packard Company, 6.500%, 7–1–12 | \$3,000 | \$ 3,228 |
| Conglomerate / Diversified Mfg – 0.13% | | |
| Westinghouse Electric Corporation, 8.875%, 6–14–14 | 500 | 435 |
| Diversified Metals & Mining – 0.30% | | |
| BHP Billiton Finance (USA) Limited, 5.000%, 12–15–10 | 1,030 | 1,013 |
| Electric – 0.75% | | |
| Duke Energy Corporation, 6.250%, 1–15–12 | 1,000 | 1,036 |
| HQI Transelec Chile S.A., 7.875%, 4–15–11 | 750 | 744 |
| Peppco Holdings, Inc., 4.000%, 5–15–10 | 750 | 721 |
| | | <u>2,501</u> |
| Finance – Other – 4.45% | | |
| CHYPS CBO 1997–1 Ltd., 6.720%, 1–15–10 (B) | 146 | 15 |
| COMM 2005-C6, 5.144%, 6–10–44 | 6,000 | 4,865 |
| First Horizon Alternative Mortgage Securities Trust 2005-FA6, 5.500%, 9–25–35 | 2,265 | 1,764 |
| General Electric Capital Corporation: 4.644%, 4–10–12 (C) | 2,000 | 1,696 |
| 5.250%, 10–19–12 | 1,750 | 1,763 |
| 5.625%, 5–1–18 | 2,000 | 2,014 |
| Student Loan Marketing Association, 0.000%, 10–3–22 | 3,000 | 1,771 |
| TIAA Global Markets, Inc., 5.125%, 10–10–12 (B) | 1,000 | 986 |
| | | <u>14,874</u> |
| Finance Companies – 0.14% | | |
| ISA Capital do Brasil S.A., 7.875%, 1–30–12 (D) | 500 | 472 |

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|---------------|
| Food Processors – 0.15% | | |
| ConAgra, Inc., 6.700%, 8–1–27 | \$ 500 | \$ 501 |
| Gas Pipe Lines – 0.46% | | |
| Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, 7.000%, 3–15–27 | 2,000 | 1,544 |
| Household Appliances – 0.27% | | |
| Controladora Mabe, S.A. de C.V., 6.500%, 12–15–15 (B) | 1,000 | 900 |
| Household Products – 1.73% | | |
| Procter & Gamble Company (The): | | |
| 4.950%, 8–15–14 | 3,000 | 3,163 |
| 8.000%, 9–1–24 | 2,000 | 2,625 |
| | | <u>5,788</u> |
| Information / Data Technology – 1.03% | | |
| IBM International Group Capital LLC, 5.050%, 10–22–12 | 1,000 | 1,044 |
| International Business Machines Corporation, 7.625%, 10–15–18 | 2,000 | 2,398 |
| | | <u>3,442</u> |
| Integrated Telecommunication Services – 0.22% | | |
| AT&T Inc., 4.950%, 1–15–13 | 750 | 754 |
| Investment Banking & Brokerage – 3.38% | | |
| Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (The) (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation), 3.250%, 6–15–12 (A) | 4,000 | 4,173 |
| Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc., 5.450%, 7–15–14 | 3,000 | 2,966 |
| Morgan Stanley (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation), 3.250%, 12–1–11 (A) | 4,000 | 4,168 |
| | | <u>11,307</u> |
| Leasing – 0.37% | | |
| International Lease Finance Corporation, 5.000%, 4–15–10 | 1,500 | 1,217 |

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|---------------|
| Multi-Utilities – 0.70% | | |
| Dominion Resources, Inc., 5.250%, 8–1–33 | 2,500 | \$ 2,329 |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 0.44% | | |
| Halliburton Company, 6.750%, 2–1–27 | 1,400 | 1,472 |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 0.32% | | |
| Chesapeake Energy Corporation, 7.500%, 9–15–13 | 1,250 | 1,075 |
| Other Diversified Financial Services – 0.95% | | |
| JPMorgan Chase & Co., 6.000%, 1–15–18 | 3,000 | 3,167 |
| Other Mortgage-Backed Securities – 3.23% | | |
| Alternative Loan Trust 2005-J4, 5.500%, 11–25–35 | 1,750 | 924 |
| Banc of America Commercial Mortgage Inc., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005–2, 4.783%, 7–10–43 (C) | 2,500 | 2,256 |
| CHL Mortgage Pass-Through Trust 2005–28, 5.250%, 1–25–19 | 2,620 | 2,089 |
| J.P. Morgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-C1, 4.719%, 1–15–38 | 2,000 | 1,652 |
| Merrill Lynch Mortgage Trust 2005-CIP1, 4.949%, 7–12–38 (C) | 2,000 | 1,610 |
| Wells Fargo Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2003–10, 4.500%, 9–25–18 | 2,500 | 2,259 |
| | | <u>10,790</u> |
| Other Non-Agency REMIC/CMO – 1.19% | | |
| GSR Mortgage Loan Trust 2004–2F, 7.000%, 1–25–34 | 843 | 796 |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004–1, 5.275%, 2–25–34 (C) | 851 | 521 |

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|--------------|
| Other Non-Agency REMIC/CMO (Continued) | | |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-12, 5.142%, 9-25-34 (C) | \$2,196 | \$ 132 |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-18, 5.424%, 12-25-34 (C) | 3,082 | 154 |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-3AC, 4.978%, 3-25-34 (C) | 1,376 | 457 |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-5, 4.667%, 5-25-34 (C) | 1,464 | 132 |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-21, 5.679%, 11-25-35 (C) | 1,232 | 31 |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2005-22, 5.591%, 12-25-35 (C) | 1,270 | 51 |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2006-1, 6.016%, 2-25-36 (C) | 1,289 | 8 |
| Structured Asset Securities Corporation Trust 2005-16, 5.500%, 9-25-35 | 3,000 | 1,698 |
| | | <u>3,980</u> |
| Paper / Forest Products – 0.09% | | |
| Westvaco Corporation, 7.500%, 6-15-27 | 328 | 297 |
| Pharmaceuticals – 2.66% | | |
| Abbott Laboratories: 3.750%, 3-15-11 | 2,000 | 2,026 |
| 5.600%, 5-15-11 | 1,000 | 1,056 |
| GlaxoSmithKline Capital Inc., 5.650%, 5-15-18 | 2,500 | 2,626 |
| Johnson & Johnson, 5.150%, 7-15-18 | 2,000 | 2,202 |
| Merck & Co., Inc., 4.750%, 3-1-15 | 1,000 | 988 |
| | | <u>8,898</u> |

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(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Property & Casualty Insurance – 1.38% | | |
| Berkshire Hathaway Finance Corporation: | | |
| 4.750%, 5–15–12 | \$2,000 | \$ 2,053 |
| 5.000%, 8–15–13 (B) | 2,500 | 2,543 |
| | | <u>4,596</u> |
| Publishing – 0.00% | | |
| Quebecor World Capital Corporation, | | |
| 4.875%, 11–15–08 (E) | 425 | <u>12</u> |
| Service – Other – 0.11% | | |
| HCA – The Healthcare Company, | | |
| 8.750%, 9–1–10 | 381 | <u>366</u> |
| Support – 0.09% | | |
| MASTR Adjustable Rate Mortgages Trust 2005–1, | | |
| 5.442%, 3–25–35 (C) | 2,751 | <u>289</u> |
| Telecommunications – 2.16% | | |
| British Telecommunications plc, | | |
| 5.150%, 1–15–13 | 3,500 | 3,334 |
| Deutsche Telekom International Finance B.V., | | |
| 8.000%, 6–15–10 | 1,500 | 1,545 |
| New York Telephone Company, | | |
| 6.700%, 11–1–23 | 750 | 641 |
| Pacific Bell, | | |
| 7.250%, 11–1–27 | 750 | 679 |
| Telecom Italia Capital, | | |
| 6.999%, 6–4–18 | 1,250 | 1,014 |
| | | <u>7,213</u> |
| Wireless Telecommunication Service – 0.53% | | |
| AT&T Wireless Services, Inc., | | |
| 7.875%, 3–1–11 | 1,700 | <u>1,760</u> |
| TOTAL CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES – 34.47% | | \$115,173 |
| (Cost: \$134,681) | | |

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The Investments of Bond

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| MUNICIPAL BONDS – TAXABLE – 0.38% | Principal | Value |
|--|------------------|-----------------|
| Massachusetts | | |
| Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Harvard University Issue, Series C (2008), 5.260%, 10–1–18 | | |
| (Cost: \$1,250) | \$1,250 | <u>\$ 1,276</u> |
| OTHER GOVERNMENT SECURITIES | | |
| Brazil – 0.17% | | |
| Federative Republic of Brazil (The), 9.250%, 10–22–10 | | |
| | 500 | <u>548</u> |
| Canada – 0.59% | | |
| Province de Quebec, 7.140%, 2–27–26 | | |
| | 1,500 | <u>1,983</u> |
| Supranational – 0.31% | | |
| Inter-American Development Bank, 8.400%, 9–1–09 | | |
| | 1,000 | <u>1,042</u> |
| TOTAL OTHER GOVERNMENT SECURITIES – 1.07% | | \$ 3,573 |
| (Cost: \$3,067) | | |
| UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGENCY OBLIGATIONS | | |
| Agency Obligations – 11.58% | | |
| Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation Guaranteed Notes Trust 2006–1, 4.875%, 1–14–11 (D) | | |
| | 7,500 | 7,714 |
| Federal Farm Credit Bank: | | |
| 3.750%, 12–6–10 | 1,225 | 1,283 |
| 4.050%, 9–29–11 | 2,000 | 2,041 |
| 4.350%, 9–2–14 | 4,400 | 4,812 |
| 5.200%, 11–28–16 | 5,000 | 5,744 |

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(In Thousands)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

AGENCY OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Principal

Value

Agency Obligations (Continued)

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation:

| | | |
|------------------------|---------|----------|
| 5.375%, 1-9-14 | \$5,250 | \$ 5,254 |
| 5.000%, 12-14-18 | 2,554 | 2,647 |
| 5.200%, 3-5-19 | 2,500 | 2,516 |

Federal National Mortgage Association:

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|
| 5.125%, 11-2-12 | 4,000 | 4,124 |
| 4.000%, 1-18-13 | 2,500 | 2,577 |

38,712

Mortgage-Backed Obligations – 33.19%

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Adjustable

Rate Participation Certificates:

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|
| 5.666%, 7-1-36 (C) | 978 | 1,001 |
| 5.452%, 12-1-36 (C) | 2,280 | 2,323 |

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Agency

REMIC/CMO:

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|
| 4.000%, 5-15-16 | 890 | 894 |
| 5.000%, 5-15-19 | 1,000 | 1,008 |
| 5.000%, 7-15-19 | 958 | 959 |
| 5.000%, 5-15-23 | 1,500 | 1,509 |
| 5.000%, 3-15-25 | 4,000 | 4,059 |
| 7.500%, 9-15-29 | 434 | 465 |
| 4.250%, 3-15-31 | 825 | 825 |
| 5.000%, 5-15-31 | 3,388 | 3,438 |
| 5.000%, 9-15-32 | 1,500 | 1,525 |
| 5.500%, 5-15-34 | 661 | 686 |

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Agency

REMIC/CMO (Interest Only): (F)

| | | |
|------------------------|-------|-----|
| 5.500%, 12-15-13 | 659 | 46 |
| 5.500%, 10-15-23 | 546 | 5 |
| 5.500%, 4-15-24 | 802 | 13 |
| 5.500%, 4-15-24 | 151 | 3 |
| 5.000%, 6-15-24 | 887 | 17 |
| 5.000%, 7-15-29 | 1,213 | 81 |
| 5.000%, 9-15-31 | 2,104 | 177 |
| 5.500%, 10-15-31 | 2,125 | 297 |

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December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

AGENCY OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Principal

Value

Mortgage-Backed Obligations (Continued)

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Fixed Rate

Participation Certificates:

| | | |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|
| 4.000%, 6-1-14 | \$ 819 | \$ 832 |
| 4.500%, 1-1-18 | 778 | 801 |
| 4.500%, 4-1-18 | 802 | 829 |
| 4.500%, 3-1-19 | 1,086 | 1,115 |
| 5.000%, 6-1-21 | 1,393 | 1,433 |
| 6.000%, 9-1-21 | 1,480 | 1,535 |
| 5.000%, 11-1-21 | 2,091 | 2,151 |
| 5.500%, 3-1-22 | 808 | 834 |
| 5.500%, 6-1-22 | 724 | 747 |
| 6.000%, 8-1-22 | 2,489 | 2,581 |
| 5.000%, 7-1-25 | 2,013 | 2,068 |
| 6.000%, 2-1-27 | 2,116 | 2,183 |
| 5.000%, 3-1-35 | 1,437 | 1,470 |
| 5.500%, 10-1-35 | 1,131 | 1,160 |
| 5.500%, 8-1-36 | 1,583 | 1,623 |

Federal National Mortgage Association Adjustable Rate

Pass-Through Certificates,

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|
| 5.371%, 12-1-36 (C) | 1,377 | 1,383 |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|

Federal National Mortgage Association Agency

REMIC/CMO:

| | | |
|------------------------|-------|-------|
| 5.000%, 3-25-18 | 3,500 | 3,531 |
| 5.000%, 6-25-18 | 2,173 | 2,214 |
| 5.500%, 6-25-18 | 2,965 | 3,085 |
| 5.000%, 9-25-18 | 500 | 508 |
| 5.000%, 3-25-29 | 5,100 | 5,171 |
| 5.500%, 2-25-32 | 1,500 | 1,524 |
| 5.500%, 10-25-32 | 3,500 | 3,580 |
| 4.000%, 11-25-32 | 493 | 496 |
| 4.000%, 3-25-33 | 488 | 490 |
| 3.500%, 8-25-33 | 1,195 | 1,142 |

Federal National Mortgage Association Agency

REMIC/CMO (Interest Only): (F)

| | | |
|------------------------|-------|-------|
| 5.000%, 3-25-18 | 386 | 10 |
| 5.500%, 1-25-33 | 2,085 | 228 |
| 5.500%, 11-25-36 | 9,029 | 1,115 |
| 5.500%, 8-25-37 | 3,353 | 407 |

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December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

AGENCY OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Principal

Value

Mortgage-Backed Obligations (Continued)

Federal National Mortgage Association Fixed Rate

Participation Certificates (Interest Only), (F)

5.750%, 8-25-32 \$1,859 \$ 214

Federal National Mortgage Association Fixed Rate

Pass-Through Certificates:

5.500%, 1-1-17 597 619

5.000%, 3-1-18 1,494 1,543

5.000%, 3-1-18 734 758

4.000%, 11-1-18 886 909

4.500%, 6-1-19 2,571 2,638

4.500%, 8-1-19 3,538 3,630

5.000%, 12-1-19 2,451 2,526

5.000%, 6-1-20 764 786

5.500%, 11-1-22 3,228 3,330

5.500%, 10-1-23 587 611

5.000%, 4-1-24 2,060 2,111

4.500%, 7-25-24 1,000 999

5.000%, 5-1-28 4,549 4,658

5.500%, 9-25-31 1,000 1,025

5.000%, 6-25-32 5,000 5,031

5.500%, 2-1-33 2,786 2,866

6.000%, 4-1-33 893 923

5.500%, 6-1-33 1,879 1,931

5.000%, 9-1-33 3,527 3,610

5.000%, 5-1-35 1,725 1,764

6.500%, 11-1-37 888 910

5.500%, 1-25-39 830 847

Government National Mortgage Association Agency

REMIC/CMO (Interest Only): (F)

5.000%, 7-16-22 1,297 143

5.500%, 6-20-28 1,194 26

Government National Mortgage Association Fixed Rate

Pass-Through Certificates,

5.000%, 12-15-17 495 520

United States Department of Veterans Affairs,

Guaranteed REMIC Pass-Through Certificates,

Vendee Mortgage Trust, 2003-2 Class E,

5.000%, 12-15-25 413 413

110,918

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 305.

The Investments of Bond

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

| AGENCY OBLIGATIONS (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Non-Agency REMIC/CMO – 3.10% | | |
| Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Non-Agency REMIC/CMO: | | |
| 5.500%, 3–15–31 | \$ 2,530 | \$ 2,629 |
| 5.500%, 9–15–31 | 3,675 | 3,745 |
| Federal National Mortgage Association Non-Agency REMIC/CMO, | | |
| 4.500%, 12–25–34 | 1,926 | 1,942 |
| Government National Mortgage Association Non-Agency REMIC/CMO, | | |
| 4.585%, 8–16–34 | 2,000 | 2,021 |
| | | <u>10,337</u> |
| TOTAL UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGENCY OBLIGATIONS – 47.87% | | \$159,967 |

(Cost: \$156,714)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS

Treasury Obligations

| | | |
|---|--------|--------|
| United States Treasury Bond Principal STRIPS, | | |
| 0.000%, 11–15–21 | 3,050 | 1,978 |
| United States Treasury Bonds, | | |
| 8.000%, 11–15–21 | 1,000 | 1,516 |
| 6.125%, 11–15–27 | 10,000 | 14,339 |
| United States Treasury Notes: | | |
| 4.125%, 8–31–12 | 7,000 | 7,741 |
| 4.250%, 8–15–13 | 8,950 | 10,176 |
| 4.000%, 2–15–14 | 6,000 | 6,801 |

TOTAL UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS – 12.74%

\$ 42,551

(Cost: \$36,843)

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 305.

The Investments of Bond

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Campbell Soup Co., 0.050%, 1-28-09 | \$1,500 | \$ 1,500 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1-5-09 | 2,158 | 2,158 |
| McCormick & Co. Inc., 0.200%, 1-2-09 | 570 | 570 |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation, 0.550%, 1-28-09 | 4,000 | 3,998 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 2.46% | | \$ 8,226 |
| (Cost: \$8,226) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 98.99% | | \$330,766 |
| (Cost: \$340,781) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 1.01% | | 3,373 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$334,139 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

- (A) Security is fully guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for both interest and principal under the Debt Guarantee Program of the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program.
- (B) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be illiquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$4,444 or 1.33% of net assets.
- (C) Variable rate security. Interest rate disclosed is that which is in effect at December 31, 2008.
- (D) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be liquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$8,186 or 2.45% of net assets.
- (E) Non-income producing as the issuer has either missed its most recent interest payment or declared bankruptcy.
- (F) Amount shown in principal column represents notional amount for computation of interest.

The following acronyms are used throughout this portfolio:

CMO = Collateralized Mortgage Obligation

REMIC = Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduit

STRIPS = Separate Trading of Registered Interest and Principal Securities

Industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

BOND

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$340,781) | \$330,766 |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Dividends and interest | 3,210 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 275 |
| Investment securities sold | 58 |
| Prepaid and other assets | —* |
| Total assets | <u>334,310</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 125 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 8 |
| Accrued management fee | 4 |
| Accrued service fee | 2 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | 1 |
| Other | 31 |
| Total liabilities | <u>171</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$334,139</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 63 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 332,702 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 13,651 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (2,262) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (10,015) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$334,139</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 5.3372</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 62,606 |
| Capital shares authorized | 130,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

BOND

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Income: | |
| Interest and amortization | \$16,192 |
| Expenses: | |
| Investment management fee | 1,479 |
| Service fee | 785 |
| Accounting services fee | 95 |
| Custodian fees | 18 |
| Legal fees | 16 |
| Audit fees | 15 |
| Shareholder servicing | 3 |
| Other | 83 |
| Total expenses | <u>2,494</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>13,698</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Realized net gain on investments | 818 |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | (13,278) |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(12,460)</u> |
| Net increase in net assets resulting from operations | <u>\$ 1,238</u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

BOND

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|-----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 13,698 | \$ 11,191 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | 818 | (253) |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (13,278) | 3,418 |
| Net increase in net assets resulting from operations | 1,238 | 14,356 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (306) | (11,081) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | — | — |
| | (306) | (11,081) |
| Capital share transactions | 36,967 | 80,061 |
| Total increase | 37,899 | 83,336 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 296,240 | 212,904 |
| End of period | \$334,139 | \$296,240 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | \$ 13,651 | \$ 259 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 17,868 | 7,352 |
| Shares issued in connection with merger of W&R Target Limited-Term Bond Portfolio | — | 12,209 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 57 | 2,106 |
| Shares redeemed | (10,946) | (6,399) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | 6,979 | 15,268 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 94,325 | \$ 39,137 |
| Value issued in connection with merger of W&R Target Limited-Term Bond Portfolio | — | 63,828 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 306 | 11,081 |
| Value redeemed | (57,664) | (33,985) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | \$ 36,967 | \$ 80,061 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

BOND

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$5.3255 | \$5.2752 | \$5.2928 | \$5.4762 | \$5.5710 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | 0.2183 | 0.2428 | 0.2434 | 0.2356 | 0.2463 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain | | | | | |
| (loss) on investments. | (0.2017) | 0.0489 | (0.0182) | (0.1464) | (0.0302) |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | 0.0166 | 0.2917 | 0.2252 | 0.0892 | 0.2161 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.0049) | (0.2414) | (0.2411) | (0.2464) | (0.2463) |
| Capital gains | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0017) | (0.0262) | (0.0646) |
| Total distributions | (0.0049) | (0.2414) | (0.2428) | (0.2726) | (0.3109) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$5.3372 | \$5.3255 | \$5.2752 | \$5.2928 | \$5.4762 |
| Total return | 0.31% | 5.67% | 4.24% | 1.61% | 3.88% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$334 | \$296 | \$213 | \$212 | \$218 |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.79% | 0.82% | 0.84% | 0.86% | 0.85% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 4.38% | 4.57% | 4.49% | 4.17% | 4.16% |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.79% ⁽¹⁾ | 0.85% | 0.85% | 0.86% ⁽¹⁾ | 0.85% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 4.38% ⁽¹⁾ | 4.54% | 4.48% | 4.17% ⁽¹⁾ | 4.16% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 29% | 42% | 54% | 43% | 47% |

(1)There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

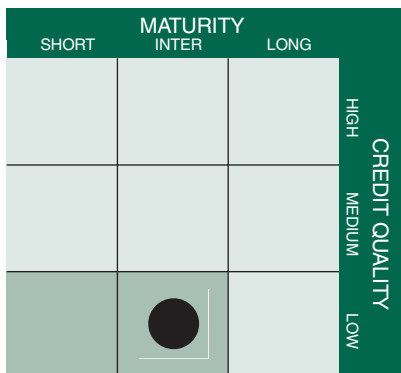
Manager's Discussion of High Income

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, William M. Nelson, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP High Income, discusses the Portfolio's positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. He has managed the Portfolio for ten years and has 20 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's fixed-income investment style by displaying the average credit quality of the bonds owned and the Portfolio's interest rate sensitivity, as measured by average maturity. Shaded areas show the past three years of quarterly data. Source: Morningstar.

Fiscal Year Performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

Ivy Funds VIP High Income **-21.82%**

Benchmark/Lipper Category:

Citigroup High Yield Market Index **-25.91%**

(generally reflects the performance of securities representing the high yield bond market)

Lipper Variable Annuity High Current Yield Funds Universe Average **-26.95%**

(generally reflects the performance of the universe of funds with similar investment objectives)

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

Spreads widened to extreme levels

The Portfolio had a very negative return for the year, but outperformed its benchmark and Lipper peer group. Returns for the Portfolio and its benchmark were especially weak since September and throughout the fourth quarter. In mid-December, with the government bailout of GMAC and government loans extended to both GM and Chrysler, credit markets rallied strong into year-end.

Looking back, massive spread-widening occurred in 2008 with the occurrence of multiple, large negative credit events. The dramatic widening in the high-yield market started with the bankruptcy of Lehman Brothers, and the credit crunch caused spreads and yields to widen to record levels. Finally, the anticipation of defaults by issuers and a declining economy pushed spreads even wider.

Overall, our performance was helped in relation to our benchmark and Lipper peer group in a number of respects. The Portfolio maintained a shorter duration than that of its peer group. Also, we were overweight health care, which significantly outperformed the index. Conversely, we were underweight in large benchmark broadcasting, media and gaming bonds, which significantly underperformed the index. From time to time, the Portfolio also held larger-than-average cash positions in an effort to help cushion the downturn. Going forward, we may look to invest in service industries, and ultimately may turn our focus to industries that we feel could benefit from a recovering economy.

Bond Portfolio Characteristics

As of December 31, 2008

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Average maturity | 5.1 years |
| Effective duration | 2.9 years |
| Weighted average bond rating | B+ |

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

Fixed-income securities are subject to interest rate risk and, as such, the Portfolio's net asset value may fall as interest rates rise. Investing in high income securities may carry a greater risk of non-payment of interest or principal than higher-rated bonds. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of High Income.

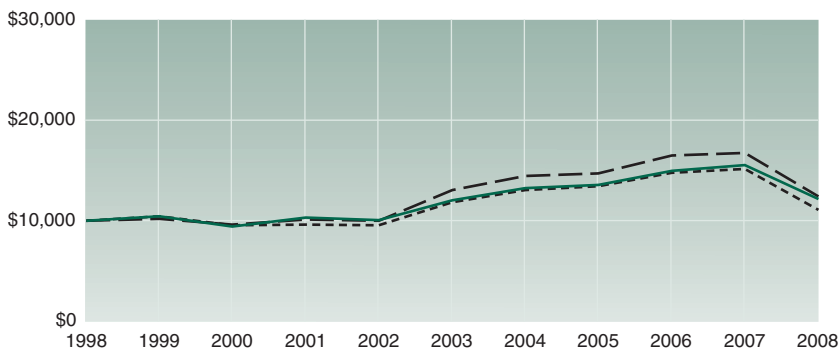
Our outlook

Our view is still one of caution. While there was some significant spread tightening that occurred in mid-December and has spilled over into early 2009, the economy still remains the focus of our attention. The Portfolio has been positioned for the past few years with durations and maturities shorter than the benchmark. As the year unfolds and the economy shows signs of potential recovery, we expect to take a more aggressive stance in lengthening maturities for recovery in the high-yield market. As for now, yields remain high and attractive, and we believe investors are being compensated for risk levels in the market. We will look opportunistically to invest in what we feel are mispriced securities. Meanwhile, we expect some volatility in the market as investors "read" or "misread" signals from the economy.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-----------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP High Income ⁽¹⁾ | \$12,155 |
| - - - | Citigroup High Yield Market Index | \$12,421 |
| - - - - - | Lipper Variable Annuity High Current Yield Funds Universe Average | \$11,072 |



(1)The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

Average Annual Total Return⁽²⁾

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -21.82% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | 0.17% |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | 1.97% |

(2)Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF HIGH INCOME

Portfolio Highlights

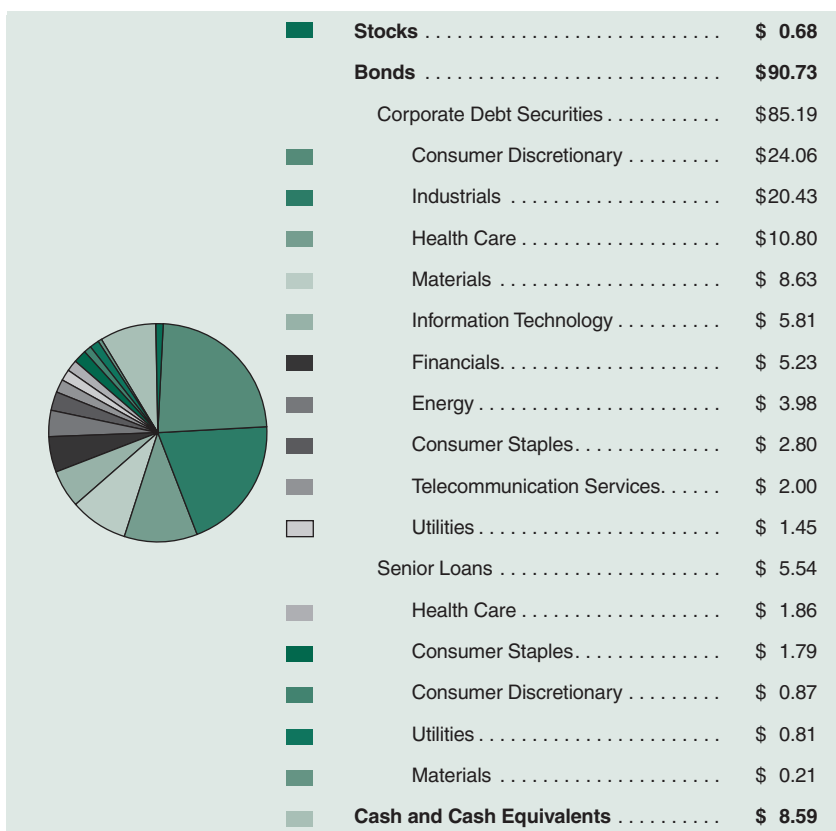
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On December 31, 2008, High Income had net assets totaling \$146,733 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| 89.55% | Domestic Corporate Debt Securities |
| 8.59% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |
| 1.18% | Foreign Corporate Debt Securities |
| 0.68% | Domestic Common Stocks |

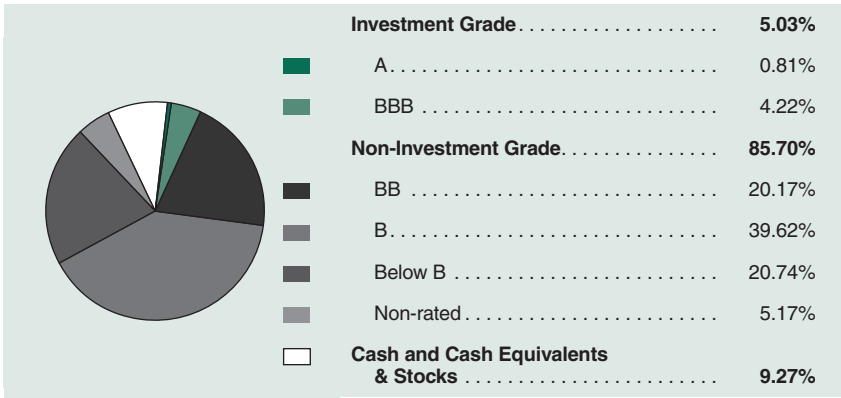
Sector Weightings

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



Quality Weightings

On December 31, 2008, the breakdown of bonds (by ratings) held by the Portfolio was as follows:



Ratings reflected in the wheel above are taken from Standard & Poor's.

The Investments of High Income

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| COMMON STOCKS | Shares | Value |
|--|-----------|---------------|
| Broadcasting – 0.00% | | |
| Citadel Broadcasting Corporation (A) | 15 | \$ 3 |
| Casinos & Gaming – 0.07% | | |
| Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. (A) | 13 | 96 |
| Movies & Entertainment – 0.19% | | |
| RHI Entertainment, Inc. (A) | 35 | 284 |
| Oil & Gas Equipment & Services – 0.25% | | |
| Baker Hughes Incorporated | 5 | 160 |
| Schlumberger Limited | 5 | 212 |
| | | 372 |
| Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation – 0.12% | | |
| Inergy, L.P. | 10 | 170 |
| Wireless Telecommunication Service – 0.05% | | |
| NII Holdings, Inc. (A) | 4 | 64 |
| TOTAL COMMON STOCKS – 0.68% | | \$ 989 |
| (Cost: \$1,887) | | |
| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES | Principal | |
| Aerospace – 0.44% | | |
| Esterline Technologies Corporation, 7.750%, 6–15–13 | \$ 750 | 652 |
| Airlines – 0.46% | | |
| Delta Air Lines, Inc.: | | |
| 8.954%, 8–10–14 | 581 | 308 |
| 8.021%, 8–10–22 | 719 | 374 |
| | | 682 |
| Aluminum – 0.09% | | |
| Aleris International, Inc.: | | |
| 9.000%, 12–15–14 | 750 | 45 |
| 10.000%, 12–15–16 | 500 | 81 |
| | | 126 |
| Apparel, Accessories & Luxury Goods – 0.41% | | |
| Perry Ellis International, Inc., 8.875%, 9–15–13 | 1,000 | 600 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 324.

The Investments of High Income

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|--------------|
| Automobile Manufacturers – 0.91% | | |
| Ford Motor Company, 7.450%, 7–16–31 | \$ 500 | \$ 140 |
| General Motors Corporation, 7.200%, 1–15–11 | 1,500 | 315 |
| UCI Holdco, Inc., 9.996%, 12–15–13 (B)(C) | 2,512 | 415 |
| United Auto Group, Inc., 7.750%, 12–15–16 | 1,000 | 465 |
| | | <u>1,335</u> |
| Automotive Retail – 1.14% | | |
| Group 1 Automotive, Inc., 8.250%, 8–15–13 | 2,500 | 1,675 |
| Building Products – 4.81% | | |
| CPG International I Inc., 10.500%, 7–1–13 | 2,000 | 1,120 |
| Interface, Inc., 9.500%, 2–1–14 | 3,000 | 2,400 |
| Norcraft Companies, L.P. and Norcraft Finance Corp., 9.750%, 9–1–12 (D) | 1,600 | 1,192 |
| Nortek, Inc., 10.000%, 12–1–13 | 400 | 272 |
| PIH Acquisition Co., 10.750%, 10–1–13 | 475 | 190 |
| Ply Gem Industries, Inc.: 9.000%, 2–15–12 | 4,500 | 1,080 |
| 11.750%, 6–15–13 | 1,500 | 810 |
| | | <u>7,064</u> |
| Cable & Satellite – 4.53% | | |
| Cablevision Systems Corporation, 8.334%, 4–1–09 (B) | 2,905 | 2,898 |
| CSC Holdings Inc, 8.500%, 6–15–15 (E) | 600 | 528 |
| DirecTV Holdings LLC and DirecTV Financing Co., 7.625%, 5–15–16 | 2,000 | 1,940 |
| EchoStar DBS Corporation, 7.750%, 5–31–15 | 1,500 | 1,275 |
| | | <u>6,641</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 324.

The Investments of High Income

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|--------|
| Capital Goods – 0.84% | | |
| RBS Global, Inc. and Rexnord LLC: | | |
| 9.500%, 8–1–14 | \$1,025 | \$ 764 |
| 11.750%, 8–1–16 | 500 | 284 |
| 8.875%, 9–1–16 | 310 | 181 |
| | | 1,229 |
| Casinos & Gaming – 4.02% | | |
| Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort and Casino, | | |
| 12.000%, 11–15–10 | 1,750 | 578 |
| MGM MIRAGE: | | |
| 8.500%, 9–15–10 | 2,600 | 2,184 |
| 7.625%, 1–15–17 | 500 | 322 |
| Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc.: | | |
| 8.250%, 3–15–12 | 2,465 | 1,873 |
| 8.750%, 10–1–13 | 500 | 395 |
| 7.500%, 6–15–15 | 250 | 145 |
| Shingle Springs Tribal Gaming Authority, | | |
| 9.375%, 6–15–15 (E) | 800 | 400 |
| | | 5,897 |
| Chemicals – 1.78% | | |
| Compass Minerals International, Inc., | | |
| 12.000%, 6–1–13 | 1,247 | 1,253 |
| Momentive Performance Materials Inc.: | | |
| 9.750%, 12–1–14 | 2,500 | 1,063 |
| 11.500%, 12–1–16 | 1,000 | 295 |
| | | 2,611 |
| Consumer Finance – 4.68% | | |
| ASG Consolidated LLC and ASG Finance, Inc., | | |
| 11.500%, 11–1–11 | 3,325 | 2,826 |
| Ford Motor Credit Company: | | |
| 9.750%, 9–15–10 | 1,000 | 800 |
| 9.875%, 8–10–11 | 1,000 | 738 |
| 7.569%, 1–13–12 (B) | 350 | 228 |
| 8.000%, 12–15–16 | 1,000 | 651 |
| Ford Motor Credit Company LLC, | | |
| 12.000%, 5–15–15 | 500 | 373 |
| Global Cash Access, L.L.C. and Global Cash Access Finance Corporation, | | |
| 8.750%, 3–15–12 | 1,564 | 1,251 |
| | | 6,867 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 324.

The Investments of High Income

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| Consumer Products – 2.86% | | |
| Ames True Temper, Inc., 8.753%, 1–15–12 (B) | \$1,650 | \$ 1,007 |
| Visant Holding Corp., 8.750%, 12–1–13 | 3,325 | 2,460 |
| Wm. Wrigley Jr. Company, 4.650%, 7–15–15 | 1,000 | 740 |
| | | <u>4,207</u> |
| Containers – 2.89% | | |
| Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.: 8.875%, 12–15–14 | 1,260 | 555 |
| 9.125%, 12–15–14 | 500 | 115 |
| Graham Packaging Company, L.P. and GPC Capital Corp. I: 8.500%, 10–15–12 | 750 | 534 |
| 9.875%, 10–15–14 | 1,000 | 615 |
| Huntsman International LLC, 7.375%, 1–1–15 | 1,550 | 814 |
| Solo Cup Company, 8.500%, 2–15–14 | 2,500 | 1,600 |
| | | <u>4,233</u> |
| Diversified Metals & Mining – 1.21% | | |
| Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc.: 7.084%, 4–1–15 (B) | 1,000 | 660 |
| 8.250%, 4–1–15 | 825 | 701 |
| 8.375%, 4–1–17 | 500 | 410 |
| | | <u>1,771</u> |
| Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals – 0.82% | | |
| Mosaic Company (The): 7.375%, 12–1–14 (E) | 500 | 410 |
| 7.625%, 12–1–16 (E) | 1,000 | 800 |
| | | <u>1,210</u> |
| Health Care Facilities – 3.00% | | |
| HealthSouth Corporation: 8.323%, 6–15–14 (B) | 3,500 | 2,800 |
| 10.750%, 6–15–16 | 1,750 | 1,606 |
| | | <u>4,406</u> |

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The Investments of High Income

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|---------------|
| Health Care Facilities / Supplies – 7.47% | | |
| Bausch & Lomb Incorporated, 9.875%, 11–1–15 (E) | \$ 400 | \$ 300 |
| Biomet, Inc.: | | |
| 10.000%, 10–15–17 | 750 | 720 |
| 11.625%, 10–15–17 | 850 | 727 |
| HCA Inc.: | | |
| 6.750%, 7–15–13 | 2,000 | 1,260 |
| 9.125%, 11–15–14 | 475 | 441 |
| 9.250%, 11–15–16 | 575 | 528 |
| 9.625%, 11–15–16 | 1,000 | 780 |
| ReAble Therapeutics Finance LLC and ReAble Therapeutics Finance Corporation: | | |
| 10.875%, 11–15–14 | 1,000 | 720 |
| 11.750%, 11–15–14 | 1,500 | 990 |
| Rural/Metro Corporation, 0.000%, 3–15–16 (F) | 1,415 | 729 |
| United Surgical Partners International, Inc., 8.875%, 5–1–17 | 2,000 | 1,370 |
| US Oncology, Inc.: | | |
| 9.000%, 8–15–12 | 1,295 | 1,178 |
| 10.750%, 8–15–14 | 1,500 | 1,222 |
| | | <u>10,965</u> |
| Homebuilding – 0.55% | | |
| Toll Corp., 8.250%, 12–1–11 | 890 | 810 |
| Hotels, Resorts & Cruise Lines – 0.32% | | |
| Gaylord Entertainment Company, 6.750%, 11–15–14 | 750 | 465 |
| Household Products – 0.48% | | |
| Simmons Bedding Company, 7.875%, 1–15–14 | 1,225 | 355 |
| Simmons Company, 0.000%, 12–15–14 (F) | 3,000 | 345 |
| | | <u>700</u> |
| Leisure – 1.06% | | |
| AMC Entertainment Inc., 11.000%, 2–1–16 | 1,500 | 1,048 |
| Marquee Holdings Inc., 9.505%, 8–15–14 (D) | 1,000 | 510 |
| | | <u>1,558</u> |

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The Investments of High Income

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production – 1.75% | | |
| Petrohawk Energy Corporation: | | |
| 9.125%, 7–15–13 | \$2,250 | \$ 1,823 |
| 7.875%, 6–1–15 (E) | 1,000 | 740 |
| | | <u>2,563</u> |
| Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation – 1.38% | | |
| Copano Energy, L.L.C., | | |
| 8.125%, 3–1–16 | 650 | 471 |
| Inergy, L.P. and Inergy Finance Corp., | | |
| 8.250%, 3–1–16 | 2,000 | 1,560 |
| | | <u>2,031</u> |
| Packaged Foods & Meats – 1.41% | | |
| Central Garden & Pet Company, | | |
| 9.125%, 2–1–13 | 3,500 | 2,065 |
| Paper & Forest Products – 1.93% | | |
| Buckeye Technologies Inc.: | | |
| 8.000%, 10–15–10 | 2,645 | 2,407 |
| 8.500%, 10–1–13 | 500 | 425 |
| | | <u>2,832</u> |
| Pharmaceuticals – 0.33% | | |
| Warner Chilcott Corporation, | | |
| 8.750%, 2–1–15 | 533 | 474 |
| Publishing – 1.23% | | |
| Lamar Advertising Company, | | |
| 6.625%, 8–15–15 | 2,000 | 1,445 |
| Lamar Media Corp., | | |
| 6.625%, 8–15–15 | 500 | 361 |
| | | <u>1,806</u> |
| Railroads – 4.59% | | |
| Kansas City Southern de Mexico, S.A. de C.V.: | | |
| 7.625%, 12–1–13 | 350 | 287 |
| 7.375%, 6–1–14 | 500 | 409 |
| Kansas City Southern Railway Company (The): | | |
| 7.500%, 6–15–09 | 2,500 | 2,506 |
| 13.000%, 12–15–13 | 2,500 | 2,506 |
| TFM, S.A. de C.V., | | |
| 9.375%, 5–1–12 | 1,125 | 1,030 |
| | | <u>6,738</u> |

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The Investments of High Income

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| Restaurants – 1.80% | | |
| NPC International, Inc., 9.500%, 5–1–14 | \$3,650 | \$ 2,646 |
| Retail Stores – 6.69% | | |
| Dollar General Corporation: | | |
| 10.625%, 7–15–15 | 3,750 | 3,581 |
| 11.875%, 7–15–17 | 750 | 641 |
| Jostens IH Corp., 7.625%, 10–1–12 | 1,500 | 1,230 |
| Pantry, Inc. (The), 7.750%, 2–15–14 | 975 | 673 |
| Sally Holdings LLC and Sally Capital Inc.: | | |
| 9.250%, 11–15–14 | 1,750 | 1,505 |
| 10.500%, 11–15–16 | 1,000 | 680 |
| Sonic Automotive, Inc., 8.625%, 8–15–13 | 1,353 | 504 |
| Stater Bros. Holdings Inc., 8.125%, 6–15–12 | 1,100 | 996 |
| | | <u>9,810</u> |
| Secondary Oil & Gas Producers – 0.85% | | |
| Denbury Resources Inc.: | | |
| 7.500%, 4–1–13 | 250 | 190 |
| 7.500%, 12–15–15 | 500 | 355 |
| EXCO Resources, Inc., 7.250%, 1–15–11 | 900 | 702 |
| | | <u>1,247</u> |
| Service – Other – 9.64% | | |
| Allied Waste Industries, Inc., 6.500%, 11–15–10 | 1,500 | 1,447 |
| Allied Waste North America, Inc.: | | |
| 7.125%, 5–15–16 | 1,000 | 910 |
| 6.875%, 6–1–17 | 500 | 465 |
| Carriage Services, Inc., 7.875%, 1–15–15 | 150 | 118 |
| Corrections Corporation of America, 7.500%, 5–1–11 | 1,000 | 990 |
| Education Management LLC and Education Management Finance Corp., 8.750%, 6–1–14 | 3,500 | 2,660 |

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The Investments of High Income

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|---------------|
| Service – Other (Continued) | | |
| Expedia, Inc., | | |
| 8.500%, 7–1–16 (E) | \$ 750 | \$ 559 |
| Iron Mountain Incorporated, | | |
| 8.625%, 4–1–13 | 750 | 705 |
| KAR Holdings, Inc.: | | |
| 7.193%, 5–1–14 (B) | 1,750 | 744 |
| 8.750%, 5–1–14 | 160 | 70 |
| 10.000%, 5–1–15 | 160 | 53 |
| Laureate Education, Inc.: | | |
| 10.000%, 8–15–15 (E) | 1,000 | 651 |
| 11.000%, 8–15–15 (C)(E) | 771 | 400 |
| 11.750%, 8–15–17 (E) | 375 | 211 |
| Reddy Ice Holdings, Inc., | | |
| 10.500%, 11–1–12 | 2,850 | 1,254 |
| Tube City IMS Corporation, | | |
| 9.750%, 2–1–15 | 640 | 224 |
| West Corporation: | | |
| 9.500%, 10–15–14 | 1,500 | 825 |
| 11.000%, 10–15–16 | 4,000 | 1,860 |
| | | <u>14,146</u> |
| Technology – 5.37% | | |
| L–3 Communications Corporation: | | |
| 6.125%, 1–15–14 | 200 | 182 |
| 5.875%, 1–15–15 | 1,000 | 900 |
| SunGard Data Systems Inc.: | | |
| 9.125%, 8–15–13 | 625 | 541 |
| 10.250%, 8–15–15 | 3,500 | 2,310 |
| Viasystems, Inc., | | |
| 10.500%, 1–15–11 | 500 | 362 |
| Xerox Capital Trust I, | | |
| 8.000%, 2–1–27 | 5,250 | 3,585 |
| | | <u>7,880</u> |
| Utilities – 1.45% | | |
| Dynegy Holdings Inc., | | |
| 8.375%, 5–1–16 | 1,500 | 1,065 |
| Texas Competitive Electric Holdings Company LLC and TCEH Finance, Inc., | | |
| 10.250%, 11–1–15 (E) | 1,500 | 1,065 |
| | | <u>2,130</u> |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 324.

The Investments of High Income

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Wireless Telecommunication Service – 2.00% | | |
| MetroPCS Communications, Inc., | | |
| 9.250%, 11–1–14 | \$1,000 | \$ 895 |
| Sprint Capital Corporation: | | |
| 6.375%, 5–1–09 | 1,000 | 994 |
| 7.625%, 1–30–11 | 1,250 | 1,044 |
| | | <u>2,933</u> |
| TOTAL CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES – 85.19% | | \$125,005 |
| (Cost: \$177,708) | | |
| SENIOR LOANS | | |
| Casinos & Gaming – 0.63% | | |
| Las Vegas Sands, LLC: | | |
| 2.220%, 5–23–14 (B) | 1,655 | 767 |
| 2.220%, 5–23–14 (B) | 334 | 155 |
| | | <u>922</u> |
| Consumer Products – 1.79% | | |
| Wm. Wrigley Jr. Company, | | |
| 7.750%, 7–17–14 (B) | 2,750 | 2,626 |
| Containers – 0.21% | | |
| Huntsman International LLC, | | |
| 2.221%, 4–19–14 (B) | 500 | 308 |
| Health Care Facilities / Supplies – 1.86% | | |
| CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc.: | | |
| 4.439%, 7–25–14 (B) | 290 | 226 |
| 1.000%, 7–25–14 (B) | 81 | 63 |
| 4.446%, 7–25–14 (B) | 2,088 | 1,626 |
| Community Health Systems Inc., | | |
| 3.404%, 7–25–14 (B) | 41 | 32 |
| HCA Inc., | | |
| 3.709%, 11–18–13 (B) | 996 | 777 |
| | | <u>2,724</u> |
| Leisure – 0.24% | | |
| Cinemark USA, Inc., | | |
| 3.990%, 10–5–13 (B) | 500 | 360 |

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The Investments of High Income

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| SENIOR LOANS (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Utilities – 0.81% | | |
| Energy Future Competitive Holdings Company and Texas Competitive Electric Holdings Company, LLC: | | |
| 3.961%, 10–10–14 (B) | \$ 13 | \$ 9 |
| 5.367%, 10–10–14 (B) | 982 | 677 |
| 5.888%, 10–10–14 (B) | 738 | 508 |
| | | 1,194 |
| TOTAL SENIOR LOANS – 5.54% | | \$ 8,134 |
| (Cost: \$10,104) | | |
| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | | |
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Diageo Capital plc (Diageo plc), 5.500%, 1–21–09 | | |
| | 2,500 | 2,492 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1–5–09 | | |
| | 1,362 | 1,362 |
| Siemens Capital Corp., 0.150%, 1–8–09 | | |
| | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Sonoco Products Co., 2.100%, 1–5–09 | | |
| | 2,000 | 1,999 |
| | | 8,853 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 6.03% | | \$ 8,853 |
| (Cost: \$8,853) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 97.44% | | \$142,981 |
| (Cost: \$198,552) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 2.56% | | 3,752 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$146,733 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) No dividends were paid during the preceding 12 months.

(B) Variable rate security. Interest rate disclosed is that which is in effect at December 31, 2008.

(C) Payment in kind bonds.

(D) This security currently pays the stated rate but this rate will increase in the future.

(E) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be liquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$6,064 or 4.13% of net assets.

(F) Securities do not bear interest for an initial period of time and subsequently become interest bearing.

Industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

HIGH INCOME

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$198,552) | \$142,981 |
| Cash | 468 |
| Receivables: | |
| Dividends and interest | 4,014 |
| Investment securities sold | 513 |
| Portfolio shares sold | 19 |
| Prepaid and other assets | 1 |
| Total assets | <u>147,996</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 1,180 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 54 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 5 |
| Accrued management fee | 2 |
| Accrued service fee | 1 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 21 |
| Total liabilities | <u>1,263</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$146,733</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 59 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 223,236 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 16,619 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (37,610) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (55,571) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$146,733</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 2.4841</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 59,070 |
| Capital shares authorized | 140,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

Statement of Operations

HIGH INCOME

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Interest and amortization | \$ 18,393 |
| Dividends | 1 |
| Total income | <u>18,394</u> |

Expenses:

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investment management fee | 1,195 |
| Service fee | 479 |
| Accounting services fee | 76 |
| Audit fees | 18 |
| Custodian fees | 9 |
| Legal fees | 8 |
| Shareholder servicing | 2 |
| Other | 42 |
| Total | <u>1,829</u> |
| Less expenses in excess of limit | (94) |
| Total expenses | <u>1,735</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>16,659</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Realized net loss on securities | (13,036) |
| Realized net gain on swap agreements | 663 |
| Realized net loss on investments | <u>(12,373)</u> |
| Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period | (48,052) |
| Net loss on investments | <u>(60,425)</u> |
| Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations | <u><u>\$(43,766)</u></u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

HIGH INCOME

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 16,659 | \$ 16,814 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (12,373) | 1,275 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (48,052) | (10,302) |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (43,766) | 7,787 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (1,165) | (16,300) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | — | — |
| | (1,165) | (16,300) |
| Capital share transactions | (22,090) | 18,721 |
| Total increase (decrease) | (67,021) | 10,208 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 213,754 | 203,546 |
| End of period | \$ 146,733 | \$ 213,754 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | \$ 16,619 | \$ 662 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 4,317 | 8,109 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 477 | 5,088 |
| Shares redeemed | (12,457) | (7,410) |
| Increase (decrease) in outstanding capital shares | (7,663) | 5,787 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 13,202 | \$ 28,064 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 1,165 | 16,300 |
| Value redeemed | (36,457) | (25,643) |
| Increase (decrease) in outstanding capital | \$ (22,090) | \$ 18,721 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

HIGH INCOME

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$3.2031 | \$3.3398 | \$3.2521 | \$3.4276 | \$3.3375 |
| Income (loss) from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | 0.2834 | 0.2717 | 0.2518 | 0.2626 | 0.2391 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain (loss) | | | | | |
| on investments | (0.9826) | (0.1440) | 0.0827 | (0.1749) | 0.0901 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | (0.6992) | 0.1277 | 0.3345 | 0.0877 | 0.3292 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.0198) | (0.2644) | (0.2468) | (0.2632) | (0.2391) |
| Capital gains | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.0198) | (0.2644) | (0.2468) | (0.2632) | (0.2391) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$2.4841 | \$3.2031 | \$3.3398 | \$3.2521 | \$3.4276 |
| Total return | -21.82% | 3.86% | 10.27% | 2.55% | 9.86% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$147 | \$214 | \$204 | \$186 | \$190 |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.91% | 0.90% | 0.94% | 0.95% | 0.96% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets including | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 8.72% | 7.90% | 7.48% | 7.35% | 7.13% |
| Ratio of expenses to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 0.96% | 0.95% | 0.95% | 0.95% ⁽¹⁾ | 0.96% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets excluding | | | | | |
| expense waiver | 8.67% | 7.85% | 7.47% | 7.35% ⁽¹⁾ | 7.13% ⁽¹⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 37% | 74% | 71% | 54% | 83% |

(1)There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

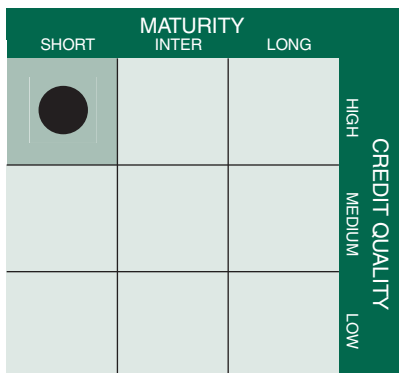
Manager's Discussion of Money Market

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2008



Below, Mira Stevovich, CFA, portfolio manager of Ivy Funds VIP Money Market, discusses the Portfolio's positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. She has managed the Portfolio for 10 years and has 21 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's fixed-income investment style by displaying the average credit quality of the bonds owned and the Portfolio's interest rate sensitivity, as measured by average maturity. Shaded areas show the past three years of quarterly data. Source: Morningstar

The Portfolio's returns were competitive with peer group money market funds for the 12 months ended Dec. 31, 2008. The year started with the federal funds rate at 4.25 percent, although it was lowered to 2.0 percent by April 30, 2008. The federal funds rate remained at 2.0 percent until the Federal Reserve meeting in October, when the rate was further lowered to 1.5 percent. By year end, the Federal Reserve had lowered the target rate to an unprecedented range of between 0 and 0.25 percent.

Lower rates present challenges

The drastic lowering of the federal funds rate throughout the fiscal year affected our performance. As the federal funds rate was reduced, so too were the rates on all money market instruments. We maintained the Portfolio's yield initially by purchasing longer-dated maturities prior to the lowering of rates.

Overall, credit quality remains an important factor in the management and performance of the Portfolio. We have been especially mindful of this as the subprime mortgage market negatively affected the money market sector. As always, we are vigilant in our review of the companies and securities in which we invest. We select investments that we believe to be of the highest credit quality, based on our strict credit risk constraints. However, these securities do not always pay the highest interest rates, meaning the overall yield can be limited somewhat by the higher-quality bias.

Credit crisis hits entire market

As the subprime mortgage problem became more widespread across world financial markets in 2008, the money market sector also was affected. Being aware of this problem, and based on our conservative investment policy, we attempted to avoid securities with exposure to this market. We focused on higher-quality securities that were

issued at rates below the federal funds rate, causing our overall returns to decrease.

In an effort to ease the pressure on the money markets, the Federal Reserve has injected liquidity into the market. It has also provided various facilities whereby banks, broker/dealers, and even money market funds can submit securities to the Federal Reserve and obtain liquidity. In addition, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) guaranteed the payment of qualifying debt securities issued by eligible U.S. bank holding companies under the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program.

As the fiscal year ended, the credit markets remained unsettled, but less panic driven. The markets found support in the various forms of government assistance. It was officially declared that the economy entered a recession in December 2007, and by December 2008, investment grade money market rates were at historic lows.

Finding quality in the turmoil

As always, we carefully select securities that we feel are of the highest credit quality. This approach ultimately affects the Portfolio's yield, because high-quality securities are issued at premium rates of interest (lower-yielding securities). However, this conservative approach has helped to keep us out of many of the problems that developed in the money markets.

As the crisis unfolded, we took an even more conservative approach, and invested a substantial portion of the Portfolio in U.S. Treasury obligations and U.S. Treasury bills. This move caused the Portfolio yield to decrease. However, in that environment, we

Please remember that an investment in the Portfolio is neither insured nor guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency. Although the Portfolio seeks to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, it is possible to lose money by investing in the Portfolio.

The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The manager's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The Portfolio is participating in the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Guarantee Program for money market funds (program) which is effective until April 30, 2009. Please refer to the Portfolio's prospectus for additional information regarding the program.

felt that this was a prudent strategy that would help preserve the value of the Portfolio. As the money markets were calmed by government measures of support, we moved out of Treasury bills and back into corporate securities and commercial paper.

To attempt to compensate for the lower yields, we have purchased some longer-dated (higher-yielding) high-quality securities, as opportunities presented themselves. Floating rate corporate debt and taxable municipal securities have proved to be excellent investment vehicles for the portfolio, especially in the current environment, as LIBOR rates remain substantially above the federal funds rate. However, until just recently, we had removed our exposure to floating rate securities related to the banking sector.

Portfolio Characteristics

As of December 31, 2008

| | |
|------------------|------------|
| Average maturity | 61.95 days |
|------------------|------------|

Our outlook

We emphasized investments of the highest credit quality during the fiscal year, from all industries and sectors, and we intend to continue to do so in the year ahead. Because banks have been especially negatively impacted by the subprime mortgage crisis, we have been very selective in our investments in the banking sector.

We invested in floating rate securities during the year, and we may do so in the coming fiscal year, pending future developments in the money markets. We anticipate continuing to include U.S. Treasury and government agency securities in an effort to preserve the value of the Portfolio, as necessary.

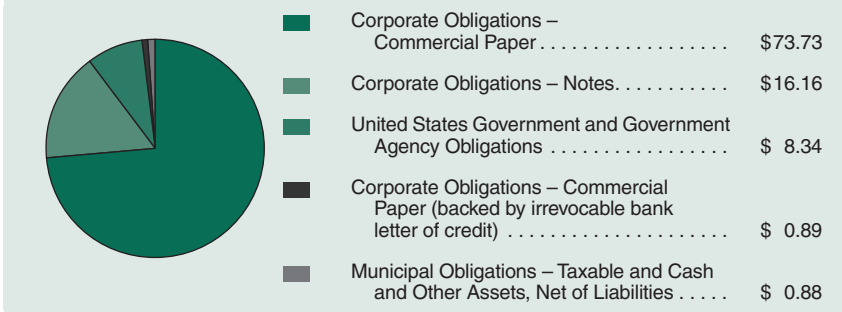
SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF MONEY MARKET

Portfolio Highlights

(Unaudited)

On December 31, 2008, Money Market had net assets totaling \$200,763 (in thousands).

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, for every \$100 you had invested on December 31, 2008, your Portfolio owned:



The Investments of Money Market

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE OBLIGATIONS | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|----------|
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., 0.050%, 1-2-09 | \$1,720 | \$ 1,720 |
| American Honda Finance Corp.: 1.500%, 1-28-09 | 5,000 | 4,994 |
| 1.500%, 2-18-09 | 300 | 300 |
| 1.050%, 3-3-09 | 1,000 | 998 |
| AT&T Inc., 2.100%, 1-20-09 | 2,000 | 1,998 |
| Baxter International Inc.: 2.000%, 1-20-09 | 2,400 | 2,397 |
| 2.000%, 1-27-09 | 2,400 | 2,397 |
| BellSouth Corporation (AT&T Inc.), 4.973%, 4-26-09 (A) | 4,050 | 4,065 |
| BP p.l.c., 2.100%, 3-11-09 | 8,000 | 8,000 |
| Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation, 2.259%, 3-10-09 (A) | 1,000 | 998 |
| Caterpillar Inc., 2.200%, 1-22-09 | 3,500 | 3,495 |
| Coca-Cola Company (The), 2.250%, 2-12-09 | 2,000 | 1,995 |
| Deere (John) Capital Corporation: 2.900%, 1-26-09 | 2,000 | 1,996 |
| 2.750%, 1-27-09 | 1,500 | 1,497 |
| 2.250%, 2-5-09 | 1,350 | 1,347 |
| 2.300%, 2-27-09 | 350 | 349 |
| Genentech, Inc., 0.650%, 1-9-09 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| General Electric Capital Corporation (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation), 1.450%, 4-2-09 (B) | 3,000 | 2,989 |
| Hewlett-Packard Company, 2.200%, 2-18-09 | 3,500 | 3,490 |
| Honeywell International Inc., 0.850%, 3-10-09 | 4,500 | 4,493 |
| IBM International Group Capital LLC (International Business Machines Corporation): 3.848%, 1-29-09 (A) | 5,000 | 4,989 |
| 2.389%, 2-26-09 (A) | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| Illinois Tool Works Inc., 0.970%, 2-23-09 | 2,020 | 2,017 |

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The Investments of Money Market

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE OBLIGATIONS (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|--------|
| Commercial Paper (Continued) | | |
| Kitty Hawk Funding Corp.: | | |
| 1.450%, 1-21-09 | \$1,000 | \$ 999 |
| 1.000%, 2-24-09 | 1,233 | 1,231 |
| 1.500%, 2-24-09 | 379 | 378 |
| L'Oreal USA, Inc.: | | |
| 2.280%, 1-20-09 | 4,000 | 3,995 |
| 1.500%, 1-27-09 | 3,650 | 3,646 |
| 1.380%, 1-29-09 | 1,200 | 1,199 |
| McDonald's Corporation, | | |
| 1.500%, 1-15-09 | 2,500 | 2,498 |
| Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation), | | |
| 2.290%, 1-22-09 (B) | 8,500 | 8,489 |
| Nestle Capital Corp., | | |
| 2.390%, 3-12-09 | 3,000 | 2,986 |
| NIKE, Inc.: | | |
| 2.100%, 1-22-09 | 5,000 | 4,994 |
| 1.150%, 2-23-09 | 3,000 | 2,995 |
| Nokia Corp.: | | |
| 3.050%, 1-23-09 | 3,000 | 2,995 |
| 3.100%, 1-29-09 | 4,000 | 3,990 |
| 2.100%, 3-24-09 | 2,300 | 2,289 |
| Pfizer Inc.: | | |
| 2.150%, 2-17-09 | 2,000 | 1,994 |
| 2.170%, 4-8-09 | 2,800 | 2,784 |
| Praxair Inc., | | |
| 2.550%, 1-21-09 | 2,100 | 2,097 |
| Procter & Gamble Company (The), | | |
| 2.309%, 2-19-09 (A) | 750 | 750 |
| Procter & Gamble International Funding S.C.A. (Procter & Gamble Company (The)): | | |
| 2.459%, 2-19-09 (A) | 4,300 | 4,290 |
| 1.100%, 3-3-09 | 2,866 | 2,861 |
| SBC Communications Inc., | | |
| 4.125%, 9-15-09 | 1,600 | 1,593 |
| Shell International Finance B.V. and Royal Dutch Shell plc (Royal Dutch Shell plc): | | |
| 2.150%, 1-26-09 | 5,000 | 4,992 |
| 2.250%, 2-20-09 | 2,800 | 2,791 |
| 2.350%, 2-26-09 | 1,200 | 1,196 |
| 1.600%, 4-2-09 | 500 | 498 |

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The Investments of Money Market

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE OBLIGATIONS (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|----------------|
| Commercial Paper (Continued) | | |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation: | | |
| 1.650%, 1-5-09 | \$2,000 | \$ 2,000 |
| 1.700%, 1-8-09 | 3,000 | 2,999 |
| 2.200%, 2-5-09 | 2,750 | 2,744 |
| Unilever Capital Corporation: | | |
| 4.000%, 1-5-09 | 3,300 | 3,298 |
| 1.439%, 1-12-09 (A) | 350 | 350 |
| 1.300%, 3-16-09 | 3,000 | 2,992 |
| 1.350%, 3-26-09 | 2,300 | 2,293 |
| Walgreen Co., | | |
| 1.300%, 1-23-09 | 750 | 749 |
| Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., | | |
| 5.748%, 6-1-09 | 3,000 | 3,037 |
| Total Commercial Paper – 73.73% | | 148,016 |
| Commercial Paper (backed by irrevocable bank letter of credit) – 0.89% | | |
| ED&F Man Treasury Management PLC (Royal Bank of Scotland PLC (The)), | | |
| 0.850%, 1-23-09 | 1,800 | 1,799 |
| Notes | | |
| 3M Company, | | |
| 7.139%, 12-14-09 | 7,500 | 7,809 |
| BP Capital Markets p.l.c., | | |
| 2.284%, 3-11-09 (A) | 1,400 | 1,400 |
| Bear Stearns Companies, Inc. (The), | | |
| 1.558%, 3-30-09 (A) | 400 | 399 |
| Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation: | | |
| 4.370%, 1-9-09 (A) | 2,500 | 2,429 |
| 4.500%, 6-15-09 | 1,000 | 1,002 |
| Citigroup Inc., | | |
| 3.505%, 1-30-09 (A) | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Deere (John) Capital Corporation: | | |
| 3.750%, 1-13-09 | 650 | 650 |
| 4.925%, 1-16-09 (A) | 1,000 | 972 |
| 2.243%, 3-2-09 (A) | 3,000 | 2,920 |
| 4.625%, 4-15-09 | 800 | 804 |

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The Investments of Money Market

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE OBLIGATIONS (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| Notes (Continued) | | |
| General Electric Capital Corporation, 1.888%, 1-9-09 (A) | \$1,200 | \$ 1,200 |
| Honeywell International Inc., 3.585%, 1-27-09 (A) | 1,000 | 997 |
| International Business Machines Corporation: 1.901%, 1-5-09 (A) | 750 | 750 |
| 1.906%, 1-8-09 (A) | 1,250 | 1,250 |
| Procter & Gamble International Funding S.C.A. (Procter & Gamble Company (The)), 5.300%, 7-6-09 | 550 | 558 |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation, 2.921%, 3-18-09 (A) | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| Verizon Communications Inc., 4.200%, 1-5-09 (A) | 1,800 | 1,791 |
| Wachovia Bank, N.A., 1.538%, 3-23-09 (A) | 1,000 | 996 |
| Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., 6.875%, 8-10-09 | 1,695 | 1,739 |
| Wells Fargo & Company, 1.668%, 3-23-09 (A) | 1,800 | 1,780 |
| Total Notes – 16.16% | | 32,446 |
| TOTAL CORPORATE OBLIGATIONS – 90.78% | | \$182,261 |
| (Cost: \$182,261) | | |
| MUNICIPAL OBLIGATIONS – TAXABLE – 0.50% | | |
| Maryland | | |
| Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Anne Arundel Health Systems Issue, Series 2009A, 2.000%, 1-7-09 (A) | 1,000 | \$ 1,000 |
| (Cost: \$1,000) | | |

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND GOVERNMENT AGENCY OBLIGATIONS | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| United States Government Agency Obligations | | |
| Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 0.650%, 2-19-09 (A) | \$1,395 | \$ 1,395 |
| Totem Ocean Trailer Express, Inc. (United States Government Guaranteed Ship Financing Obligations), 2.399%, 4-15-09 (A) | 2,463 | 2,463 |
| Total United States Government Agency Obligations – 1.92% | | 3,858 |
| United States Government Obligations | | |
| United States Treasury Bills: | | |
| 0.700%, 1-2-09 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| 0.770%, 1-2-09 | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| 1.550%, 1-8-09 | 2,000 | 1,999 |
| 1.600%, 1-8-09 | 2,000 | 1,999 |
| 1.920%, 2-5-09 | 1,900 | 1,897 |
| 1.900%, 2-26-09 | 2,000 | 1,994 |
| 1.330%, 7-2-09 | 2,000 | 1,987 |
| Total United States Government Obligations – 6.42% | | 12,876 |
| TOTAL UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND GOVERNMENT AGENCY OBLIGATIONS – 8.34% | | \$ 16,734 |
| (Cost: \$16,734) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 99.62% | | \$199,995 |
| (Cost: \$199,995) | | |
| CASH AND OTHER ASSETS, NET OF LIABILITIES – 0.38% | | 768 |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$200,763 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) Variable rate security. Interest rate disclosed is that which is in effect at December 31, 2008.

(B) Security is fully guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for both interest and principal under the Debt Guarantee Program of the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

MONEY MARKET

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$199,995) | \$199,995 |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Portfolio shares sold | 957 |
| Interest | 544 |
| Prepaid and other assets | 21 |
| Total assets | <u>201,518</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 415 |
| Income payable | 320 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 6 |
| Accrued management fee | 2 |
| Accrued service fee | 1 |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Other | 11 |
| Total liabilities | <u>755</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$200,763</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|---|------------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 201 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 200,554 |
| Accumulated undistributed income: | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | — |
| Accumulated undistributed net realized gain on investment transactions | 8 |
| Net unrealized appreciation in value of investments | — |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$200,763</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$ 1.0000</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | <u>200,755</u> |
| Capital shares authorized | 340,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

MONEY MARKET

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Income: | |
| Interest and amortization | \$3,843 |
| Expenses: | |
| Investment management fee | 558 |
| Service fee | 349 |
| Accounting services fee | 61 |
| Custodian fees | 14 |
| Legal fees | 14 |
| Audit fees | 7 |
| Shareholder servicing | 1 |
| Other | 36 |
| Total expenses | <u>1,040</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>2,803</u> |

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN ON INVESTMENTS

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Realized net gain on investments | 36 |
| Net increase in net assets resulting from operations | <u>\$2,839</u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

MONEY MARKET

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 2,803 | \$ 3,607 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | 36 | (3) |
| Unrealized appreciation | — | — |
| Net increase in net assets resulting from operations | 2,839 | 3,604 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (2,799) | (3,611) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | (26) | — |
| | (2,825) | (3,611) |
| Capital share transactions | 111,528 | 19,196 |
| Total increase | 111,542 | 19,189 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 89,221 | 70,032 |
| End of period | \$200,763 | \$89,221 |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income (loss) | \$ — | \$ (4) |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 177,389 | 71,001 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 2,825 | 3,596 |
| Shares redeemed | (68,686) | (55,401) |
| Increase in outstanding capital shares | 111,528 | 19,196 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$177,389 | \$71,001 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 2,825 | 3,596 |
| Value redeemed | (68,686) | (55,401) |
| Increase in outstanding capital | \$111,528 | \$19,196 |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

MONEY MARKET

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| beginning of period | \$1.0000 | \$1.0000 | \$1.0000 | \$1.0000 | \$1.0000 |
| Income from | | | | | |
| investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | 0.0215 | 0.0451 | 0.0424 | 0.0247 | 0.0070 |
| Net realized and | | | | | |
| unrealized gain | | | | | |
| on investments | 0.0001 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 |
| Total from investment | | | | | |
| operations | 0.0216 | 0.0451 | 0.0424 | 0.0247 | 0.0070 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.0215) | (0.0451) | (0.0424) | (0.0247) | (0.0070) |
| Capital gains | (0.0001) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) |
| Total distributions | (0.0216) | (0.0451) | (0.0424) | (0.0247) | (0.0070) |
| Net asset value, | | | | | |
| end of period | \$1.0000 | \$1.0000 | \$1.0000 | \$1.0000 | \$1.0000 |
| Total return | 2.18% | 4.60% | 4.32% | 2.50% | 0.70% |
| Net assets, end of period | | | | | |
| (in millions) | \$201 | \$89 | \$70 | \$52 | \$55 |
| Ratio of expenses to | | | | | |
| average net assets | 0.75% | 0.76% | 0.77% | 0.79% | 0.76% |
| Ratio of net investment | | | | | |
| income to average | | | | | |
| net assets | 2.01% | 4.51% | 4.29% | 2.46% | 0.69% |

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Managers' Discussion of Mortgage Securities

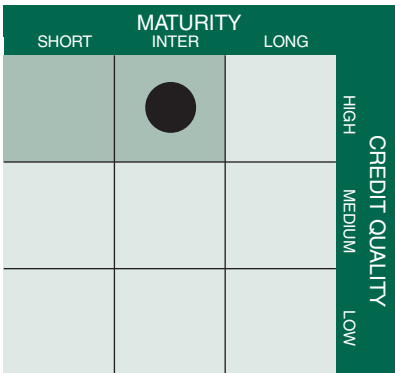
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December 31, 2008



Ivy Funds VIP Mortgage Securities is subadvised by Advantus Capital Management, Inc.

Below, Christopher R. Sebald, CFA, and David W. Land, CFA, portfolio managers of Ivy Funds VIP Mortgage Securities, discuss the Portfolio's positioning, performance and results for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2008. They have each managed the Portfolio for four years. Mr. Sebald has 20 years of industry experience while Mr. Land has 18 years of industry experience.



This diagram shows the Portfolio's fixed-income investment style by displaying the average credit quality of the bonds owned and the Portfolio's interest rate sensitivity, as measured by average maturity. Shaded areas reflect quarterly data for the past three years. Source: Morningstar

Government agencies drove results

The Portfolio's exposure to commercial mortgage-backed securities and non-agency mortgage securities was the primary driver of our weak and very disappointing performance this fiscal year. An

Fiscal year performance

For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2008

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Ivy Funds VIP Mortgage Securities | -10.95% |
| Benchmark(s)/Lipper Category | |
| Barclays Capital Mortgage-Backed Securities Index | 8.34% |
| (generally reflects the performance of securities that represent the mortgage-backed securities market) | |
| Lipper Variable Annuity U.S. Mortgage Funds Universe Average | -0.62% |
| (generally reflects the universe of funds with similar investment objectives) | |

Please note that the Portfolio returns include applicable investment fees and expenses, whereas the index returns do not include any such fees. Also, the Portfolio's performance data does not take into account any product expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life or annuity policy, which is invested in Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. During the fiscal year, Barclays Capital acquired the index operations of Lehman Brothers and renamed Lehman's products, including the Portfolio's benchmark.

unprecedented credit crunch enveloped financial markets in 2008, and this resulted in a large disparity between the various sectors in which the Portfolio has typically focused and government-related securities that historically have not produced returns as competitive.

Securities issued by government agencies (Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, for example) offered the best performance during the year, and we were underweighted in this area for much of the year. Non-agency mortgage securities fell 5 to 20 percent, while agencies rose, in general, 8 to 13 percent.

Higher-quality mortgage bonds performed better than lower quality securities in 2008. Until recently, the Portfolio had a lower proportion of high-quality bonds than the index, a decision that negatively affected the Portfolio's return. That said, performance was affected primarily by our sector allocation, rather than our selection of individual securities.

Finally, we increased the Portfolio's overall quality significantly during the year and increased exposure to securities that are guaranteed or supported by the federal government; this includes agency mortgage-backed securities, in particular.

Bond Portfolio Characteristics

As of December 31, 2008

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Average maturity | 2.5 years |
| Effective duration | 2.6 years |
| Weighted average bond rating | AAA |

Our outlook

We feel that the markets have priced in a significant decline in the economy, including falling corporate profits, slower growth and very high bond defaults. In the fixed-income market, the rise in yields on non-government securities can only be compared with those of the 1930s. While such a rise in yields seems in excess of expected losses, it is too soon to know whether government actions will be adequate to forestall a severe recession or worse. We feel that the economy could suffer greater losses in the coming quarters in the event that companies and consumers continue to cut back on spending and investment. The unemployment rate is likely to rise throughout the better part of 2009, and corporate earnings are bound to see significant disappointment, in our opinion. Before the fourth quarter of 2008, we increased quality in the Portfolio by increasing exposure to agency mortgage-backed securities, while reducing commercial mortgage-backed securities; we are now looking to further increase holdings of agency mortgage-backed securities. We intend to remain in higher-quality securities, since we expect rising defaults in the coming quarters as the recession and severe credit cycle play out.

As with any mutual fund, the value of the Portfolio's shares will change, and you could lose money on your investment.

The risks incurred by mortgage securities include, but are not limited to, reinvestment of pre-paid loans at lower rates of return. In addition, the net asset value of mortgage securities may fluctuate in response to changes in interest rates and are not guaranteed. Fixed-income securities are subject to interest rate risk and, as such, the Portfolio's net asset value may fall as interest rates rise. These and other risks are more fully described in the Portfolio's prospectus.

Certain U.S. government securities in which the Portfolio may invest, such as Treasury securities and securities issued by the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae), are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government. However, other U.S. government securities in which the Portfolio may invest, such as securities issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae), the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) and the Federal Home Loan Banks (FHLB) are not backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, are not insured or guaranteed by the U.S. government and, instead, may be supported only by the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury or by the credit of the issuer.

On Sept. 7, 2008, the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA), an agency of the U.S. government, placed Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac into conservatorship, a statutory process with the objective of returning the entities to normal business operations. FHFA will act as the conservator to operate Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac until they are stabilized. It is unclear what effect this conservatorship will have on the securities issued or guaranteed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac.

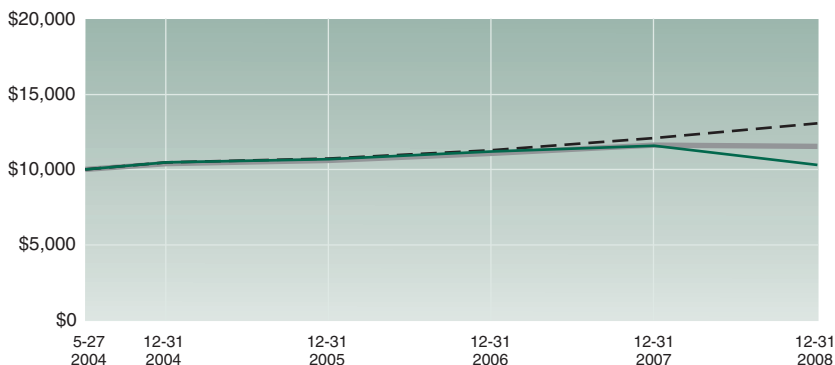
The opinions expressed in this report are those of the portfolio managers and are current only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The managers' views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions, and no forecasts can be guaranteed.

The index (indexes) noted are unmanaged and include reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of Mortgage Securities.

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment

(Unaudited)

| | | |
|-------|--|----------|
| — | Ivy Funds VIP Mortgage Securities ⁽¹⁾ | \$10,330 |
| - - - | Barclays Capital Mortgage-Backed Securities Index ⁽²⁾ | \$13,088 |
| — | Lipper Variable Annuity U.S. Mortgage Funds Universe Average ⁽²⁾ | \$11,564 |



(1) The value of the investment in the Portfolio is impacted by the ongoing expenses of the Portfolio and assumes reinvestment of dividends and distributions.

(2) Because the Portfolio commenced operations on a date other than at the end of a month, and partial month calculations of the performances of the indexes (including income) are not available, investment in the indexes was effected as of May 31, 2004.

Average Annual Total Return⁽³⁾

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1-year period ended 12-31-08 | -10.95% |
| 5-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| 10-year period ended 12-31-08 | — |
| Since inception of Portfolio ⁽⁴⁾ through 12-31-08 | 0.71% |

(3) Data quoted is past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate and shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please call 1.888.WADDELL for the Portfolio's most recent month-end performance. Performance data quoted does not reflect any expenses or charges associated with owning a variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract that invests in the Portfolio's shares. When such charges are deducted, actual investment performance in a variable policy or contract will be lower.

(4) 5-27-04 (the date on which shares were first acquired by shareholders)

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Indexes are unmanaged.

SHAREHOLDER SUMMARY OF MORTGAGE SECURITIES

Portfolio Highlights

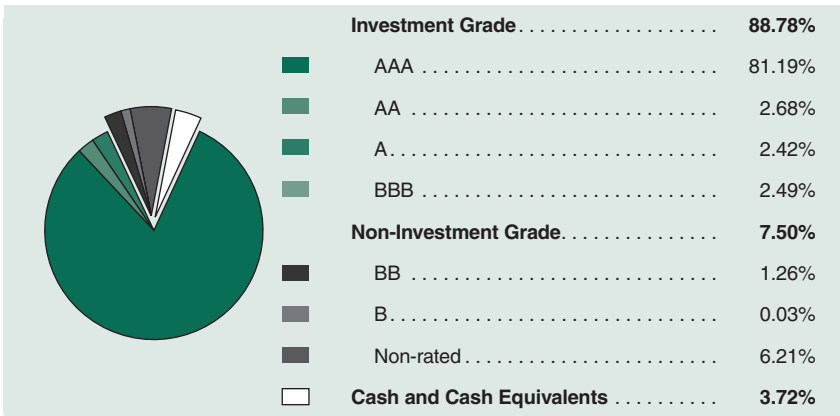
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On December 31, 2008, Mortgage Securities had net assets totaling \$27,282 (in thousands) invested in a diversified portfolio of:

| | |
|--------|--|
| 70.09% | United States Government and Government Agency Obligations |
| 26.19% | Domestic Corporate Debt Securities |
| 3.72% | Cash and Cash Equivalents |

Quality Weightings

On December 31, 2008, the breakdown of bonds (by ratings) held by the Portfolio was as follows:



Ratings reflected in the wheel are taken from the following sources in order of preference: Standard & Poor's or Moody's.

The Investments of Mortgage Securities

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|-------|
| Car Loan – 0.55% | | |
| Capital Auto Receivables Asset Trust 2006–1, 7.160%, 1–15–13 (A) | \$ 110 | \$ 96 |
| Capital Auto Receivables Asset Trust 2007–2, 8.300%, 2–18–14 (B) | 80 | 54 |
| | | 150 |
| Other Mortgage-Backed Securities – 25.64% | | |
| ABFS Mortgage Loan Trust 2001–2, 6.990%, 12–25–31 (C) | 178 | 92 |
| ABFS Mortgage Loan Trust 2002–4, 7.423%, 12–15–33 (C) | 126 | 73 |
| ABN AMRO Mortgage Corporation, Series 2003–2, 5.330%, 3–25–18 (C) | 86 | 38 |
| Banc of America Alternative Loan Trust 2004–11, 6.000%, 12–25–34 | 248 | 181 |
| Banc of America Alternative Loan Trust 2005–10, 5.669%, 11–25–35 (C) | 118 | 5 |
| Banc of America Alternative Loan Trust 2005–12, 5.806%, 1–25–36 (C) | 165 | 9 |
| Banc of America Alternative Loan Trust 2005–6, 6.000%, 7–25–35 | 291 | 198 |
| Banc of America Alternative Loan Trust 2005–8: 5.582%, 9–25–35 (C) | 204 | 29 |
| 5.582%, 9–25–35 (C) | 42 | 2 |
| Banc of America Alternative Loan Trust 2006–4: 6.223%, 5–25–46 (C) | 62 | 12 |
| 6.223%, 5–25–46 (C) | 82 | 5 |
| Banc of America Commercial Mortgage Inc., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002–2, 6.200%, 7–11–43 (B) | 140 | 72 |
| Banc of America Commercial Mortgage Inc., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2003–1, 4.900%, 9–11–36 (B) | 450 | 192 |
| Banc of America Commercial Mortgage Inc., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004–6, 5.104%, 12–10–42 (B)(C) | 100 | 31 |
| Banc of America Funding 2004–2 Trust, 6.500%, 7–20–32 | 136 | 115 |
| Banc of America Funding Corporation, 5.013%, 9–20–34 (C) | 84 | 50 |

See Notes to Schedule of Investments on page 353.

The Investments of Mortgage Securities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|-------|
| Other Mortgage-Backed Securities (Continued) | | |
| Banc of America Mortgage 2007-1 Trust, 6.000%, 3-25-37 | \$215 | \$ 40 |
| Banc of America Mortgage Trust 2004-1, 5.500%, 2-25-34 | 170 | 121 |
| Banc of America Mortgage Trust 2004-3, 4.875%, 4-25-19 | 75 | 51 |
| Banc of America Mortgage Trust 2004-7, 5.750%, 8-25-34 | 89 | 70 |
| Banc of America Structured Securities Trust 2002-X1 F, 6.274%, 10-11-33 (A) | 250 | 202 |
| BankAmerica Manufactured Housing Contract Trust, 7.015%, 1-10-28 | 52 | 49 |
| Bear Stearns Commercial Mortgage Securities Inc., Series 2000-WF1 Trust Fund, 6.500%, 2-15-32 | 150 | 97 |
| Bear Stearns Commercial Mortgage Securities Trust 2002-TOP6, 7.127%, 10-15-36 (B)(C) | 170 | 75 |
| Capital One Auto Finance Trust 2005-B-SS, 4.480%, 12-15-10 | 232 | 229 |
| C-Bass 2005-CB3 Trust, 5.109%, 12-25-34 (C) | 197 | 192 |
| C-Bass 2005-CB7 Trust, 5.147%, 11-25-35 (C) | 17 | 17 |
| C-Bass 2006-CB2 Trust, 5.860%, 12-25-36 | 285 | 137 |
| C-Bass 2006-MH1 Trust, 5.970%, 10-25-36 (B) (C) | 143 | 93 |
| Centex Home Equity Loan Trust 2005-C, 5.048%, 6-25-35 (C) | 210 | 156 |
| Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 1999-2, 7.198%, 1-15-32 | 106 | 106 |
| CHEQ Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2006-S2, 1.505%, 7-25-27 (C) | 32 | 30 |
| CHL Mortgage Pass-Through Trust 2003-28, 4.150%, 8-25-33 | 150 | 134 |
| CHL Mortgage Pass-Through Trust 2003-HYB2, 3.948%, 7-19-33 (C) | 201 | 162 |

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The Investments of Mortgage Securities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|-------|
| Other Mortgage-Backed Securities (Continued) | | |
| Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust Inc., Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-2, 6.500%, 8-25-18 (B) | \$ 6 | \$ 5 |
| CitiMortgage Alternative Loan Trust, Series 2007-A7, 6.238%, 7-25-37 (C) | 54 | 3 |
| CountryPlace Manufactured Housing Contract Trust 2005-1, 4.800%, 12-15-35 (A)(C) | 245 | 164 |
| CWHEQ Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2006-S3, 6.518%, 1-25-29 (C) | 215 | 39 |
| Flagstar Home Equity Loan Trust 2007-1, 5.997%, 1-25-35 (B)(C) | 125 | 42 |
| Ford Credit Auto Owner Trust 2006-B, 7.120%, 2-15-13 (A) | 65 | 42 |
| Ford Credit Auto Owner Trust 2007-A, 7.050%, 12-15-13 (A) | 30 | 19 |
| Global Mortgage Securitization 2005-A Ltd. and Global Mortgage Securitization 2005-A LLC: | | |
| 5.250%, 4-25-32 | 79 | 66 |
| 5.397%, 4-25-32 (C) | 114 | 50 |
| Global Mortgage Securitization Ltd. and Global Mortgage Securitization, LLC, 5.250%, 11-25-32 (A) | 150 | 115 |
| Green Tree Financial Corporation: | | |
| 7.650%, 4-15-19 | 108 | 94 |
| 9.000%, 6-15-25 | 110 | 105 |
| 7.950%, 8-15-25 | 51 | 52 |
| Home Equity Loan Trust 2003-HS2, 5.090%, 7-25-33 (C) | 14 | 12 |
| Hometown Commercial Capital, LLC Hometown Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Notes 2006-1, 5.506%, 11-11-38 (A) | 185 | 68 |
| J.P. Morgan Alternative Loan Trust 2006-A6, 5.950%, 11-25-36 (C) | 250 | 104 |
| J.P. Morgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., 6.221%, 10-12-37 (B) | 200 | 116 |
| J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Trust 2006-CW2, 6.337%, 8-25-36 (C) | 270 | 87 |
| J.P. Morgan Mortgage Trust 2005-S2, 5.672%, 9-25-35 (C) | 187 | 36 |

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December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|-------|
| Other Mortgage-Backed Securities (Continued) | | |
| J.P. Morgan Mortgage Trust 2006-A2, 5.138%, 11-25-33 (C) | \$ 77 | \$ 35 |
| J.P. Morgan Mortgage Trust 2006-A6, 6.041%, 10-25-36 (C) | 225 | 103 |
| J.P. Morgan Mortgage Trust 2006-S3, 6.187%, 8-25-36 | 382 | 52 |
| J.P. Morgan Mortgage Trust 2007-A1, 4.813%, 7-25-35 (C) | 295 | 78 |
| LB-UBS Commercial Mortgage Trust 2003-C3, 4.846%, 2-15-37 (B)(C) | 100 | 41 |
| Lehman ABS Manufactured Housing Contract Trust 2001-B, 3.010%, 3-15-10 | 103 | 62 |
| Lehman XS Trust, Series 2005-8, 5.690%, 12-25-35 | 314 | 217 |
| Mid-State Capital Corporation 2004-1 Trust, 6.005%, 8-15-37 | 114 | 96 |
| NationsLink Funding Corporation, Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 1998-2, 5.000%, 8-20-30 (B) | 100 | 82 |
| Nomura Asset Securities Corporation, Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 1998-D6, 6.000%, 3-15-30 (B) | 200 | 120 |
| Office Portfolio Trust, Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2001-HRPT, 6.778%, 2-3-16 (B) | 320 | 188 |
| Origen Manufactured Housing Contract Trust 2004-A, 5.700%, 1-15-35 | 100 | 71 |
| Origen Manufactured Housing Contract Trust 2004-B, 4.750%, 8-15-21 | 100 | 88 |
| Origen Manufactured Housing Contract Trust 2005-A, 4.970%, 10-15-21 | 105 | 90 |
| Origen Manufactured Housing Contract Trust 2005-B: 5.605%, 5-15-22 | 35 | 29 |
| 5.910%, 1-15-37 | 100 | 69 |
| PHH Alternative Mortgage Trust, Series 2007-1, Class II-B-2, 6.000%, 2-25-37 | 98 | 7 |
| RALI Series 2003-QS11 Trust, 5.750%, 6-25-33 | 205 | 149 |

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(In Thousands)

| CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES (Continued) | Principal | Value |
|--|-----------|-----------------|
| Other Mortgage-Backed Securities (Continued) | | |
| RAMP Series 2005-RS1 Trust, 5.145%, 1-25-35 (C) | \$212 | \$ 84 |
| RASC Series 2003-KS10 Trust, 6.410%, 12-25-33 | 26 | 10 |
| RBSGC Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-B, 5.450%, 7-25-35 (C) | 282 | 232 |
| RESI Finance Limited Partnership 2003-C and RESI Finance DE Corporation 2003-C, 3.225%, 9-10-35 (A)(C) | 123 | 54 |
| RFMSI Series 2004-S5 Trust, 4.500%, 5-25-19 | 76 | 59 |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2005-21, 5.400%, 11-25-35 (C) | 144 | 40 |
| Structured Asset Securities Corporation: | | |
| 6.290%, 11-25-32 (C) | 23 | 11 |
| 5.250%, 8-25-33 | 135 | 113 |
| 5.630%, 5-25-34 (C) | 67 | 45 |
| 6.000%, 6-25-34 (C) | 184 | 127 |
| Wachovia Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust (The), 4.942%, 11-15-34 (B) | 105 | 32 |
| Wells Fargo Alternative Loan 2007-PA3 Trust: | | |
| 6.176%, 7-25-37 (C) | 153 | 9 |
| 6.176%, 7-25-37 (C) | 119 | 4 |
| WFS Financial 2005-1 Owner Trust, A4, 3.870%, 8-17-12 | 322 | 315 |
| | | <u>6,996</u> |
| TOTAL CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES – 26.19% | | \$ 7,146 |

(Cost: \$12,695)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGENCY OBLIGATIONS

Agency Obligations – 0.78%

| | | |
|---|-----|-----|
| Federal National Mortgage Association, 3.875%, 7-12-13 (D) | 200 | 212 |
|---|-----|-----|

Mortgage-Backed Obligations – 67.43%

| | | |
|--|-----|-----|
| Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Agency REMIC/CMO, 5.000%, 6-15-31 | 108 | 110 |
|--|-----|-----|

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

AGENCY OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Principal

Value

Mortgage-Backed Obligations (Continued)

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Fixed Rate

Participation Certificates:

| | | |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|
| 6.000%, 5-1-18 | \$ 155 | \$ 160 |
| 5.000%, 5-1-18 | 231 | 238 |
| 5.500%, 6-1-19 | 124 | 128 |
| 5.500%, 9-1-19 | 335 | 345 |
| 5.300%, 1-15-33 | 228 | 234 |
| 6.000%, 10-1-33 | 442 | 459 |
| 5.500%, 1-1-35 | 2,140 | 2,190 |
| 5.500%, 2-1-35 | 164 | 168 |
| 5.500%, 2-1-35 | 88 | 90 |
| 5.000%, 5-15-35 | 270 | 267 |
| 5.000%, 8-1-35 | 324 | 332 |
| 5.000%, 11-1-35 | 513 | 525 |
| 5.000%, 12-1-35 | 190 | 194 |
| 6.000%, 1-1-36 | 625 | 644 |
| 6.500%, 7-1-36 | 436 | 454 |
| 7.000%, 12-1-37 | 73 | 76 |
| 6.500%, 1-1-38 | 295 | 306 |

Federal National Mortgage Association Fixed Rate

Pass-Through Certificates:

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|
| 5.500%, 3-1-18 | 132 | 137 |
| 5.000%, 10-1-18 | 123 | 127 |
| 5.500%, 9-1-19 | 79 | 82 |
| 7.000%, 11-1-32 | 106 | 112 |
| 6.000%, 6-1-33 | 316 | 327 |
| 6.000%, 12-1-33 | 220 | 227 |
| 5.500%, 1-1-34 | 130 | 134 |
| 5.500%, 1-1-34 | 130 | 133 |
| 6.000%, 1-1-34 | 1,130 | 1,163 |
| 5.000%, 2-1-34 | 295 | 302 |
| 5.500%, 2-1-34 | 295 | 303 |
| 6.000%, 4-1-34 | 146 | 151 |
| 5.500%, 7-1-34 | 279 | 287 |
| 5.500%, 9-1-34 | 79 | 81 |
| 6.500%, 9-1-34 | 48 | 50 |
| 5.500%, 11-1-34 | 221 | 228 |
| 6.000%, 11-1-34 | 70 | 72 |
| 6.500%, 11-1-34 | 147 | 153 |
| 6.500%, 11-1-34 | 100 | 104 |
| 6.000%, 12-1-34 | 367 | 379 |

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December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

AGENCY OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Principal

Value

Mortgage-Backed Obligations (Continued)

Federal National Mortgage Association Fixed Rate

Pass-Through Certificates (Continued):

| | | |
|-----------------|-------|--------|
| 5.500%, 1-1-35 | \$215 | \$ 220 |
| 5.500%, 2-1-35 | 449 | 462 |
| 6.500%, 3-1-35 | 97 | 101 |
| 6.000%, 4-1-35 | 456 | 471 |
| 6.000%, 4-1-35 | 137 | 141 |
| 6.000%, 6-1-35 | 360 | 371 |
| 5.000%, 7-1-35 | 70 | 72 |
| 5.500%, 7-1-35 | 165 | 170 |
| 5.500%, 8-1-35 | 94 | 97 |
| 5.500%, 10-1-35 | 455 | 468 |
| 5.500%, 10-1-35 | 134 | 137 |
| 6.000%, 1-1-36 | 931 | 960 |
| 6.500%, 2-1-36 | 77 | 80 |
| 6.500%, 6-1-36 | 135 | 140 |
| 6.000%, 8-1-36 | 326 | 336 |
| 5.000%, 1-1-37 | 580 | 592 |
| 6.500%, 1-1-37 | 565 | 587 |
| 6.500%, 9-1-37 | 266 | 276 |
| 6.000%, 9-1-37 | 144 | 148 |
| 6.000%, 7-1-38 | 176 | 182 |

Government National Mortgage Association Agency

REMIC/CMO (Interest Only), (E)

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|----|
| 0.944%, 6-17-45 (C) | 1,392 | 63 |
|---------------------|-------|----|

Government National Mortgage Association Fixed Rate

Pass-Through Certificates:

| | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|
| 6.250%, 7-15-24 | 82 | 86 |
| 5.500%, 12-15-34 | 294 | 303 |
| 5.500%, 1-1-35 | 450 | 463 |

18,398

Non-Agency REMIC/CMO – 1.88%

Government National Mortgage Association Non-Agency

REMIC/CMO,

| | | |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| 5.008%, 12-16-25 (C) | 500 | 513 |
|----------------------|-----|-----|

TOTAL UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

AGENCY OBLIGATIONS – 70.09%

\$19,123

(Cost: \$18,765)

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The Investments of Mortgage Securities

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands)

| SHORT-TERM SECURITIES | Principal | Value |
|---|-----------|-----------------|
| Commercial Paper | | |
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., 0.050%, 1–2–09 | \$ 700 | \$ 700 |
| AT&T Inc., 0.180%, 2–12–09 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Caterpillar Inc., 0.160%, 1–26–09 | 1,750 | 1,750 |
| CVS Caremark Corporation, 5.500%, 1–20–09 | 1,297 | 1,293 |
| ITT Corporation, 2.000%, 1–5–09 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Sara Lee Corporation, 1.500%, 1–16–09 | 1,300 | 1,299 |
| Toyota Motor Credit Corporation, 0.030%, 1–2–09 | 620 | 620 |
| TOTAL SHORT-TERM SECURITIES – 28.09% | | \$ 7,662 |
| (Cost: \$7,662) | | |
| TOTAL INVESTMENT SECURITIES – 124.37% | | \$33,931 |
| (Cost: \$39,122) | | |
| LIABILITIES, NET OF CASH AND OTHER ASSETS – (24.37%) | | (6,649) |
| NET ASSETS – 100.00% | | \$27,282 |

Notes to Schedule of Investments

- (A) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be illiquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$760 or 2.79% of net assets.
- (B) Securities were purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. These securities have been determined to be liquid under guidelines established by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2008, the total value of these securities amounted to \$1,143 or 4.19% of net assets.
- (C) Variable rate security. Interest rate disclosed is that which is in effect at December 31, 2008.
- (D) Securities serve as collateral for the following open futures contracts at December 31, 2008:

| Description | Type | Expiration Date | Number of Contracts | Market Value | Unrealized Depreciation |
|----------------------------|-------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| U.S. 30 Year Treasury Bond | Short | 3–31–09 | (11) | \$(1,519) | \$(132) |

- (E) Amount shown in principal column represents notional amount for computation of interest.

The following acronyms are used throughout this portfolio:

CMO = Collateralized Mortgage Obligation

REMIC = Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduit

Industry classifications are unaudited.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

MORTGAGE SECURITIES

December 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except for Per Share Amounts)

ASSETS

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Investment securities – at value (cost – \$39,122) | \$33,931 |
| Cash | 1 |
| Receivables: | |
| Investment securities sold | 1,323 |
| Dividends and interest | 118 |
| Variation margin | 37 |
| Portfolio shares sold | —* |
| Total assets | <u>35,410</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Payable for investment securities purchased | 8,110 |
| Payable to Portfolio shareholders | 12 |
| Accrued accounting services fee | 2 |
| Accrued service fee | —* |
| Accrued shareholder servicing | —* |
| Accrued management fee | —* |
| Other | 4 |
| Total liabilities | <u>8,128</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>\$27,282</u> |

NET ASSETS

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| \$0.001 par value capital stock: | |
| Capital stock | \$ 6 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 31,869 |
| Accumulated undistributed income (loss): | |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | 1,396 |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investment transactions | (666) |
| Net unrealized depreciation in value of investments | (5,323) |
| Net assets applicable to outstanding units of capital | <u>\$27,282</u> |
| Net asset value, redemption and offering price per share | <u>\$4.3871</u> |
| Capital shares outstanding | 6,219 |
| Capital shares authorized | 20,000 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Statement of Operations

MORTGAGE SECURITIES

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Income:

Interest and amortization \$ 1,725

Expenses:

Investment management fee 167

Service fee 83

Accounting services fee 26

Custodian fees 18

Audit fees 17

Legal fees 3

Shareholder servicing —*

Other 14

Total expenses 328

Net investment income 1,397

REALIZED AND UNREALIZED (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS

Realized net loss on securities (420)

Realized net loss on futures contracts (16)

Realized net loss on investments (436)

Unrealized depreciation in value of securities during the period (4,530)

Unrealized depreciation in value of futures contracts during the period (133)

Unrealized depreciation in value of investments during the period (4,663)

Net loss on investments (5,099)

Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations \$(3,702)

*Not shown due to rounding.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

MORTGAGE SECURITIES

(In Thousands)

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | |
|--|---|-----------------|
| | 2008 | 2007 |
| INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS | | |
| Operations: | | |
| Net investment income | \$ 1,397 | \$ 1,396 |
| Realized net gain (loss) on investments | (436) | 41 |
| Unrealized depreciation | (4,663) | (440) |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations | (3,702) | 997 |
| Distributions to shareholders from: | | |
| Net investment income | (302) | (1,100) |
| Realized gains on investment transactions | — | — |
| | (302) | (1,100) |
| Capital share transactions | (2,281) | 4,107 |
| Total increase (decrease) | (6,285) | 4,004 |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Beginning of period | 33,567 | 29,563 |
| End of period | <u>\$27,282</u> | <u>\$33,567</u> |
| Accumulated undistributed net investment income | \$ 1,396 | \$ 300 |
| CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS | | |
| Shares issued from sale of shares | 1,301 | 2,462 |
| Shares issued from reinvestment of dividend and/or capital gains distribution | 69 | 221 |
| Shares redeemed | (1,890) | (1,878) |
| Increase (decrease) in outstanding capital shares | (520) | 805 |
| Value issued from sale of shares | \$ 6,367 | \$12,476 |
| Value issued from reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains distribution | 302 | 1,100 |
| Value redeemed | (8,950) | (9,469) |
| Increase (decrease) in outstanding capital | <u>\$(2,281)</u> | <u>\$ 4,107</u> |

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Financial Highlights

MORTGAGE SECURITIES

For a Share of Capital Stock Outstanding Throughout Each Period:

| | For the fiscal year ended December 31, | | | | For the period from |
|--|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 5-27-04 ⁽¹⁾ through 12-31-04 |
| Net asset value, beginning of period | \$4.9813 | \$4.9818 | \$4.9801 | \$5.0791 | \$5.0000 |
| Income (loss) from investment operations: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | 0.2287 | 0.2127 | 0.2373 | 0.2010 | 0.1009 |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | (0.7740) | (0.0444) | 0.0010 | (0.0990) | 0.1476 |
| Total from investment operations | (0.5453) | 0.1683 | 0.2383 | 0.1020 | 0.2485 |
| Less distributions from: | | | | | |
| Net investment income | (0.0489) | (0.1688) | (0.2366) | (0.2010) | (0.1009) |
| Capital gains | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0000) | (0.0685) |
| Total distributions | (0.0489) | (0.1688) | (0.2366) | (0.2010) | (0.1694) |
| Net asset value, end of period | \$4.3871 | \$4.9813 | \$4.9818 | \$4.9801 | \$5.0791 |
| Total return | -10.95% | 3.40% | 4.77% | 2.00% | 4.97% |
| Net assets, end of period (in millions) | \$27 | \$34 | \$30 | \$28 | \$21 |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets including expense waiver | 0.99% | 0.96% | 0.97% | 1.00% | 0.71% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets including expense waiver | 4.21% | 4.73% | 4.76% | 4.21% | 4.02% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets excluding expense waiver | 0.99% ⁽³⁾ | 0.96% ⁽³⁾ | 0.97% ⁽³⁾ | 1.00% ⁽³⁾ | 0.97% ⁽²⁾ |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets excluding expense waiver | 4.21% ⁽³⁾ | 4.73% ⁽³⁾ | 4.76% ⁽³⁾ | 4.21% ⁽³⁾ | 3.76% ⁽²⁾ |
| Portfolio turnover rate | 288% | 138% | 158% | 202% | 184% |

(1) Commencement of operations.

(2) Annualized.

(3) There was no waiver of expenses during the period.

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2008
(In Thousands, Except Where Otherwise Noted)

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. (formerly W&R Target Funds, Inc.) (the Corporation) is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, as a diversified, open-end management investment company. Capital stock is divided into twenty-five classes (each a Portfolio). The assets belonging to each Portfolio, except the Pathfinder Portfolios, are held separately by the custodian. The investment objective, policies and risk factors of each Portfolio are described more fully in the prospectus and Statement of Additional Information. The Corporation's investment adviser is Waddell & Reed Investment Management Company (the Manager). The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Corporation.

Securities Valuation. Each Portfolio calculates the net asset value of its shares as of the close of the New York Stock Exchange (the NYSE), normally 4:00 P.M. Eastern time, on each day the NYSE is open for trading.

Securities traded on U.S. or foreign securities exchanges or included in a national market system are valued at the official closing price at the close of each business day unless otherwise stated below. Over-the-counter securities and listed securities for which no price is readily available are valued at the average of the last bid and asked prices. Security prices are based on quotes that are obtained from an independent pricing service approved by the Board of Directors.

To determine values of fixed-income securities, the independent pricing service takes into consideration such factors as current quotations by broker/dealers, coupon, maturity, quality, type of issue, trading characteristics, and other yield and risk factors it deems relevant in determining valuations. Securities which cannot be valued by the independent pricing service are valued using valuations obtained from dealers that make markets in the securities.

Gold bullion is valued at the last traded price prior to the close of the NYSE.

Options and swaps are valued by the independent pricing service unless the price is unavailable, in which case they are valued at the mean between the last bid and asked price. Futures contracts traded on an exchange are generally valued at the settlement price. Mutual funds, including investments in other Portfolios, are valued at the net asset value at the close of each business day.

Short-term securities are valued on the basis of amortized cost (which approximates market value), whereby a portfolio security is valued at its cost initially, and thereafter valued to reflect a constant amortization to maturity of any discount or premium.

Because many foreign markets close before the U.S. markets, events may occur between the close of the foreign market and the close of the U.S. markets that could have a material impact on the valuation of foreign securities. The Portfolios, under the supervision of the Board of Directors, evaluate the impacts of these events and may adjust the valuation of foreign securities to reflect the fair value as of the close of the U.S. markets.

In addition, all securities for which market values are not readily available or deemed unreliable are appraised at fair value as determined in good faith under the direction of the Board of Directors.

As of December 31, 2008, the following Portfolios had aggregate investments valued at fair market value (unrealized gain/loss for futures contracts) as shown:

| Portfolio Name | Total Amount of Fair Valued Securities | Percent of Net Assets |
|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Core Equity | \$ 8,965 | 2.23% |
| International Growth | 124,609 | 78.13% |
| International Value | 300,841 | 79.35% |
| Asset Strategy | 75,829 | 11.18% |
| Balanced | 2 | 0.00%* |
| Global Natural Resources | 13,530 | 19.48% |
| Science and Technology | 12,068 | 5.34% |

*Not shown due to rounding.

Security Transactions and Related Investment Income. Security transactions are accounted for on the trade date (date the order to buy or sell is executed). Securities gains and losses are calculated on the identified cost basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date, except certain dividends from foreign securities where the ex-dividend date may have passed, which are recorded as soon as the Portfolio is informed of the ex-dividend date.

Securities on a When-Issued or Delayed Delivery Basis. Each Portfolio may purchase securities on a “when-issued” basis, and may purchase or sell securities on a “delayed delivery” basis. “When-issued” or “delayed delivery” refers to securities whose terms and indenture are available and for which a market exists, but which are not available for immediate delivery. Delivery and payment for securities that have been purchased by the Portfolio on a when-issued basis normally takes place within six months and possibly as long as two years or more after the trade date. During this period, such securities do not earn interest, are subject to market fluctuation and may increase or decrease in value prior to their delivery. The purchase of securities on a when-issued basis may increase the volatility of the Portfolio’s net asset value to the extent the Portfolio executes such transactions while remaining substantially fully invested. When the Portfolio engages in when-issued or delayed delivery transactions, it relies on the buyer or seller, as the case may be, to complete the transaction. Their failure to do so may cause the Portfolio to lose the opportunity to obtain or dispose of the security at a price and yield it considers advantageous. The Portfolio maintains internally designated assets with a market value equal to or greater than the amount of its purchase commitments. The Portfolio may also sell securities that it purchased on a when-issued basis prior to settlement of the original purchase.

As of December 31, 2008, no Portfolio had purchased securities issued on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis.

Mortgage Dollar Roll Transactions. Certain Portfolios enter into dollar roll transactions on securities issued or to be issued by the Government National Mortgage Association, Federal National Mortgage Association and Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, in which the Portfolio sells mortgage securities and simultaneously agrees to repurchase similar (same type, coupon and maturity) securities at a later date at an agreed upon price. During the period between the sale and repurchase, the Portfolio forgoes principal and interest paid on the mortgage securities sold. The Portfolio is compensated from negotiated fees paid by brokers offered as an inducement to the Portfolio to “roll over” its purchase commitments. These fees are recognized over the roll period and are included in Income from mortgage dollar rolls in the Statement of Operations.

Interest Only Obligations. These securities entitle the owner to receive only the interest portion from a bond, Treasury note or pool of mortgages. These securities are generally created by a third party separating a bond or pool of mortgages into distinct interest-only and principal-only securities. As the principal (par) amount of a bond or pool of mortgages is paid down, the amount of interest income earned by the owner will decline as well.

Credit Risk. High Income Portfolio invests in high-yield, non-investment-grade bonds, which may be subject to a greater degree of credit risk. Credit risk relates to the ability of the issuer to meet interest or principal payments or both as they become due. The Portfolio may acquire securities in default, and is not obligated to dispose of securities whose issuers subsequently default. As of December 31, 2008, High Income held no securities that were in default.

Foreign Currency Translation. Each Portfolio's accounting records are maintained in U.S. dollars. The values of securities denominated in foreign currencies and amounts related to the purchase and sale of foreign securities and foreign investment income are translated into U.S. dollars as of the close of the NYSE, normally 4:00 P.M. Eastern time, on each day the NYSE is open for trading. Foreign exchange rates are valued primarily using an independent pricing service authorized by the Board of Directors.

All assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars daily. Purchases and sales of investment securities and accruals of income and expenses are translated at the rate of exchange prevailing on the date of the transaction. For assets and liabilities other than investments in securities, net realized and unrealized gains and losses from foreign currency translation arise from changes in currency exchange rates. Each Portfolio combines fluctuations from currency exchange rates and fluctuations in market value when computing net realized and unrealized gain or loss from investments.

Repurchase agreements. Each Portfolio may purchase securities subject to repurchase agreements, which are instruments under which the Portfolio purchases a security and the seller (normally a commercial bank or broker-dealer) agrees, at the time of purchase, that it will repurchase the security at a specified time and price. Repurchase agreements are collateralized by the value of the resold securities which, during the entire period of the agreement, generally remains at least equal to the value of the loan, including accrued interest thereon. The collateral for the repurchase agreement is held by a custodian bank.

Investments with Off-Balance Sheet Risk. Each Portfolio, other than Money Market, may enter into financial instrument transactions (such as swaps, futures, written options and other derivatives) that may have off-balance sheet market risk. Off-balance sheet market risk exists when the maximum potential loss on a particular financial instrument is greater than the value of such financial instrument, as reflected in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Federal Taxes. It is the policy of each Portfolio to distribute all of its taxable income and capital gains to its shareholders and otherwise qualify as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code. In addition, each Portfolio intends to pay distributions as required to avoid imposition of excise tax. Accordingly, provision has not been made for Federal income taxes. As required by the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board No. 48 "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes" (FIN 48), management of the Corporation periodically reviews all tax positions to assess that it is more likely than not that the position would be sustained up examination by the relevant tax authority based on the technical merits of each position. As of December 31, 2008, management believes that under this standard no liability for unrecognized tax positions is required. The Corporation is subject to examination by U.S. federal and state authorities for returns filed for years after 2004.

Dividends and Distributions to Shareholders. Dividends and distributions to shareholders are recorded by each Portfolio on the business day following the record date. Net investment income

dividends and capital gains distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations which may differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Custodian Fees. “Custodian fees” in the Statement of Operations may include interest expense incurred by a Portfolio on any cash overdrafts of its custodian account during the period. Such cash overdrafts may result from the effects of failed trades in portfolio securities and from cash outflows resulting from unanticipated shareholder redemption activity. A Portfolio pays interest to its custodian on such cash overdrafts, to the extent they are not offset by positive cash balances maintained by that Portfolio, at a rate equal to the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.50%. The “Earnings credit” line item, if applicable, represents earnings on cash balances maintained by that Portfolio during the period. Such interest expense and other custodian fees may be paid with these earnings.

Indemnifications. The Corporation’s organizational documents provide current and former Directors and Officers with a limited indemnification against liabilities arising in connection with the performance of their duties to the Corporation. In the normal course of business, the Corporation may also enter into contracts that provide general indemnifications. The Corporation’s maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would be dependent on future claims that may be made against the Corporation. The risk of material loss from such claims is considered remote.

Treasury’s Temporary Guarantee Program. On October 3, 2008 the Board of Directors of the Corporation approved the participation by Money Market in the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Temporary Guarantee Program for Money Market Funds through December 18, 2008 (the Program). Participation in the Program required a payment to the Treasury Department of 0.01% of the net asset value of Money Market as of September 19, 2008.

On November 24, 2008, the Treasury Department announced its decision to extend the program for the period from December 19, 2008 through April 30, 2009 (the Extended Program). The Board of Directors of the Corporation unanimously approved the continued participation of Money Market in the Extended Program. Participation in the Extended Program required a payment to the Treasury Department of 0.015% of the net asset value of Money Market as of September 19, 2008.

Both of the above payments are expenses that were borne by Money Market without regard to any contractual or voluntary expense limitation currently in effect.

Concentration of Risk. For Asset Strategy, Global Natural Resources, International Growth, and International Value, each Portfolio may have a significant investment in international securities. International investing involves additional risks, including, but not limited to, currency fluctuations, political or economic conditions affecting the foreign country, investment and repatriation restrictions, and limited and less reliable investor information. For Energy, the Portfolio seeks to achieve its objective by concentrating its investments primarily in equity securities of companies principally engaged in exploration, discovery, distribution or related to the infrastructure of energy and/or alternative energy. Investing in companies involved in one specified sector may be more risky than an investment with greater diversification. For Real Estate Securities, there are investment risks associated with real estate securities, including, but not limited to, rental income fluctuation, depreciation, property tax value changes, differences in real estate market value and interest rate risks. For Science and Technology, the Portfolio seeks to achieve its objective by concentrating its investments primarily in equity securities of science and technology companies. Investing in companies involved in one specified sector may be more risky than an investment with greater diversification. For Mortgage Securities, there are risks including, but not limited to, reinvestment of prepaid loans at lower rates of return, and interest rate risk.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements. In March 2008, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 161, “Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities — an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133” (SFAS 161). SFAS 161 amends and expands disclosures about derivative instruments and hedging activities. SFAS 161 requires qualitative disclosures about the objectives and strategies of derivative instruments, quantitative disclosures about the fair value amounts of and gains and losses on derivative instruments, and disclosures of credit-risk-related contingent features in hedging activities. SFAS 161 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008. The Corporation will institute SFAS 161 during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2009 and its potential impact, if any, on the financial statements is currently being assessed by management.

Other. The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

2. INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT AND PAYMENTS TO AFFILIATED PERSONS

Management Fees. Waddell & Reed Investment Management Company (WRIMCO), a wholly owned subsidiary of Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc. (WDR), serves as the Corporation’s investment manager. WRIMCO provides advice and supervises investments, for which services it is paid a fee. Until September 30, 2006, the fee was payable by each Portfolio, except for Pathfinder Aggressive, Pathfinder Conservative, Pathfinder Moderate, Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive and Pathfinder Moderately Conservative (collectively, the Pathfinder Portfolios) at the following annual rates:

| Portfolio | Net Asset Breakpoints | Annual Rate |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Core Equity | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.700% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| Dividend Opportunities | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.700% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| Growth | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.700% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| Micro Cap Growth | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.950% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.930% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.900% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.860% |
| Mid Cap Growth | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |

| Portfolio (Continued) | Net Asset Breakpoints | Annual Rate |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Small Cap Growth | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Small Cap Value | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Value | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.700% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| International Growth | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| International Value | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Asset Strategy | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.700% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| Balanced | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.700% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| Energy | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Global Natural Resources | Up to \$500 Million | 1.000% |
| | Over \$500 Million up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Real Estate Securities | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.900% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.870% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.840% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.800% |

| Portfolio (Continued) | Net Asset Breakpoints | Annual Rate |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Science and Technology | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Bond | Up to \$500 Million | 0.525% |
| | Over \$500 Million up to \$1 Billion | 0.500% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$1.5 Billion | 0.450% |
| | Over \$1.5 Billion | 0.400% |
| High Income | Up to \$500 Million | 0.625% |
| | Over \$500 Million up to \$1 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$1.5 Billion | 0.550% |
| | Over \$1.5 Billion | 0.500% |
| Money Market | All Net Assets | 0.400% |
| Mortgage Securities | Up to \$500 Million | 0.500% |
| | Over \$500 Million up to \$1 Billion | 0.450% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$1.5 Billion | 0.400% |
| | Over \$1.5 Billion | 0.350% |

Effective October 1, 2006, under terms of a settlement agreement reached in July 2006, the fee is payable by each Portfolio, except the Pathfinder Portfolios, at the following annual rates:

| Portfolio | Net Asset Breakpoints | Annual Rate |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Core Equity | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| Dividend Opportunities | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.700% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| Growth | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.670% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| Micro Cap Growth | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.950% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.930% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.900% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.860% |
| Mid Cap Growth | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |

| Portfolio (Continued) | Net Asset Breakpoints | Annual Rate |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Small Cap Growth | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Small Cap Value | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Value | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.690% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| International Growth | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.820% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| International Value | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Asset Strategy | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.690% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| Balanced | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.700% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.650% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.550% |
| Energy | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Global Natural Resources | Up to \$500 Million | 1.000% |
| | Over \$500 Million up to \$1 Billion | 0.850% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Real Estate Securities | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.900% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.870% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.840% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.800% |

| Portfolio (Continued) | Net Asset Breakpoints | Annual Rate |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Science and Technology | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.830% |
| | Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.800% |
| | Over \$3 Billion | 0.760% |
| Bond | Up to \$500 Million | 0.485% |
| | Over \$500 Million up to \$1 Billion | 0.500% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$1.5 Billion | 0.450% |
| | Over \$1.5 Billion | 0.400% |
| High Income | Up to \$500 Million | 0.575% |
| | Over \$500 Million up to \$1 Billion | 0.600% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$1.5 Billion | 0.550% |
| | Over \$1.5 Billion | 0.500% |
| Money Market | All Net Assets | 0.400% |
| Mortgage Securities | Up to \$500 Million | 0.500% |
| | Over \$500 Million up to \$1 Billion | 0.450% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$1.5 Billion | 0.400% |
| | Over \$1.5 Billion | 0.350% |

Effective August 6, 2007, after completion of the merger between Limited-Term Bond Portfolio and Bond Portfolio, the fee is contractually payable by Bond Portfolio as follows:

| Portfolio | Net Asset Breakpoints | Annual Rate |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Bond | Up to \$1 Billion | 0.475% |
| | Over \$1 Billion up to \$1.5 Billion | 0.450% |
| | Over \$1.5 Billion | 0.400% |

The fee is accrued and paid daily.

WRIMCO has agreed to waive a Portfolio's investment management fee on any Portfolio, except the Pathfinder Portfolios, that is not subadvised on any day that the Portfolio's net assets are less than \$25 million, subject to its right to change or modify this waiver.

No management fees are paid by the Pathfinder Portfolios.

Advantus Capital Management, Inc. serves as subadvisor to Mortgage Securities and Real Estate Securities pursuant to an agreement with WRIMCO and receives a fee that is equal to, on an annual basis, 0.30% and 0.55% of the respective Portfolio's average net assets.

Mackenzie Financial Corporation (MFC) serves as subadvisor to Global Natural Resources pursuant to an agreement with WRIMCO and receives a fee that is shown in the following table:

| Net Asset Breakpoints | Annual Rate |
|--|--------------------|
| Up to \$500 Million | 0.500% |
| Over \$500 Million up to \$1 Billion | 0.425% |
| Over \$1 Billion up to \$2 Billion | 0.415% |
| Over \$2 Billion up to \$3 Billion | 0.400% |
| Over \$3 Billion | 0.380% |

BlackRock Capital Management, Inc. (BlackRock) served as subadvisor to Small Cap Value until March 24, 2008. BlackRock received a fee that was equal to, on an annual basis, 0.50% of the Portfolio's average net assets. Effective March 24, 2008, WRIMCO assumed direct investment management responsibilities for the Portfolio.

Templeton Investment Counsel, LLC serves as subadvisor to International Value pursuant to an agreement with WRIMCO and receives a fee that is shown in the following table:

| Net Asset Breakpoints | Annual Rate |
|--|--------------------|
| On the first \$100 Million | 0.50% |
| On the next \$100 Million | 0.35% |
| On the next \$250 Million | 0.30% |
| On all assets exceeding \$450 Million. | 0.25% |

Wall Street Associates serves as subadvisor to Micro Cap Growth pursuant to an agreement with WRIMCO and receives a fee that is equal to, on an annual basis, 0.50% of the Portfolio's average net assets.

Accounting Services Fees. The Corporation has an Accounting Services Agreement with Waddell & Reed Services Company (WRSCO), an indirect subsidiary of WDR. Under the agreement, WRSCO acts as the agent in providing bookkeeping and accounting services and assistance to the Corporation, including maintenance of Portfolio records, pricing of Portfolio shares and preparation of certain shareholder reports. For these services, each Portfolio (excluding Pathfinder Portfolios) pays WRSCO a monthly fee of one-twelfth of the annual fee shown in the following table:

| Accounting Services Fee | |
|--|---|
| Average Net Asset Level (in millions) | Annual Fee Rate for Each Level |
| From \$ 0 to \$ 10 | \$ 0 |
| From \$ 10 to \$ 25 | \$ 11.5 |
| From \$ 25 to \$ 50 | \$ 23.1 |
| From \$ 50 to \$ 100 | \$ 35.5 |
| From \$100 to \$ 200 | \$ 48.4 |
| From \$200 to \$ 350 | \$ 63.2 |
| From \$350 to \$ 550 | \$ 82.5 |
| From \$550 to \$ 750 | \$ 96.3 |
| From \$750 to \$1,000 | \$121.6 |
| \$1,000 and Over | \$148.5 |

Under the Accounting Services Agreement, each Pathfinder Portfolio pays WRSCO a monthly fee of one-twelfth of the annual fee shown in the following table.

| Accounting Services Fee | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Average Net Asset Level (in millions) | Annual Fee Rate for Each Level |
| From \$ 0 to \$ 10 | \$ 0 |
| From \$ 10 to \$ 25 | \$ 5.75 |
| From \$ 25 to \$ 50 | \$11.55 |
| From \$ 50 to \$ 100 | \$17.75 |
| From \$100 to \$ 200 | \$24.2 |
| From \$200 to \$ 350 | \$31.6 |
| From \$350 to \$ 550 | \$41.25 |
| From \$550 to \$ 750 | \$48.15 |
| From \$750 to \$1,000 | \$60.8 |
| \$1,000 and Over | \$74.25 |

Administrative Fee. Each Portfolio also pays monthly a fee at the annual rate of 0.01%, or one basis point, for the first \$1 billion of net assets with no fee charged for net assets in excess of \$1 billion. This fee may be voluntarily waived until a Portfolio's net assets are at least \$10 million.

Transfer Agency. Under the Transfer Agency Agreement between the Corporation and WRSCO, each Portfolio reimburses WRSCO for certain out-of-pocket costs.

Service Plan. Under a Service Plan adopted by the Corporation pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, each Portfolio may pay a service fee to Waddell & Reed, Inc. (W&R) in an amount not to exceed 0.25% of the Portfolio's average annual net assets. The fee is to be paid to compensate W&R for amounts it expends in connection with the provision of personal services to Policyowners and/or maintenance of Policyowner accounts.

Waivers of Expenses. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, the following amounts were waived as a result of the reduced management fees related to the NYAG settlement (discussed in Note 15):

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Core Equity | \$286 |
| Growth | \$295 |
| Mid Cap Growth | \$ 10 |
| Small Cap Growth | \$ 83 |
| Value | \$ 31 |
| International Growth | \$ 63 |
| Asset Strategy | \$ 94 |
| Science and Technology | \$ 64 |
| High Income | \$ 94 |

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, the following amounts were waived as a result of the reduced management fees related to the voluntary waiver of management fee to any Portfolio, excluding Pathfinder Portfolios, having less than \$25 million in net assets:

Energy Portfolio \$51

Compensation to Directors. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, the Corporation paid Directors' regular compensation of \$238, which is included in other expenses.

3. INVESTMENT VALUATIONS

The Corporation has adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No.157, Fair Value Measurements (FAS 157). In accordance with FAS 157, fair value is defined as the price that each Portfolio would receive upon selling an asset or paying to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. FAS 157 also establishes a framework for measuring fair value and a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability. Inputs may be observable or unobservable and refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. An individual investment's fair value measurement is assigned a level based upon the observability of the inputs which are significant to the overall valuation. The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized below.

Level 1 – quoted prices in active markets for identical securities

Level 2 – other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.)

Level 3 – significant unobservable inputs (including each Portfolio's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The following tables summarize the valuation of each Portfolio's investments by the above FAS 157 fair value hierarchy levels as of December 31, 2008:

| Pathfinder Aggressive | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 42,741 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 225 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | \$ 42,966 | \$ – |

| Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$115,112 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 852 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | \$115,964 | \$ – |

| Pathfinder Moderate | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 78,082 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 415 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | \$ 78,497 | \$ – |

| Pathfinder Moderately Conservative | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 31,936 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 208 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | \$ 32,144 | \$ – |

| Pathfinder Conservative | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 11,674 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 175 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | \$ 11,849 | \$ – |

| Core Equity | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$380,262 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 21,400 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | \$401,662 | \$ – |

+Other financial instruments are derivative instruments not reflected in the schedule of investments, such as written options, futures, forward currency contracts and swap contracts.

| | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|------------------|------------------------------------|
| Dividend Opportunities | | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$109,957 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 12,530 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | <u>\$122,487</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |
| | | |
| Growth | | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$717,416 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 40,982 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | <u>\$758,398</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |
| | | |
| Micro Cap Growth | | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 27,245 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 1,284 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | <u>\$ 28,529</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |
| | | |
| Mid Cap Growth | | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 44,571 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 4,199 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | <u>\$ 48,770</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |
| | | |
| Small Cap Growth | | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$278,683 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 9,014 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | <u>\$287,697</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |
| | | |
| Small Cap Value | | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$141,777 | \$ (780) |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 10,360 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | <u>\$152,137</u> | <u>\$ (780)</u> |

+Other financial instruments are derivative instruments not reflected in the schedule of investments, such as written options, futures, forward currency contracts and swap contracts.

| Value | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$225,568 | \$ (279) |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 7,107 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | (221) |
| Total | <u>\$232,675</u> | <u>\$ (500)</u> |

| International Growth | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 11,413 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 144,523 | 236 |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | 2,508 | – |
| Total | <u>\$158,444</u> | <u>\$ 236</u> |

| International Value | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 38,578 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 336,162 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | <u>\$374,740</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |

| Asset Strategy | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$277,294 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 394,816 | 4,640 |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | 969 | – |
| Total | <u>\$673,079</u> | <u>\$ 4,640</u> |

| Balanced | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$244,529 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 132,249 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | 2 | – |
| Total | <u>\$376,780</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |

| Energy | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 19,150 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 662 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | <u>\$ 19,812</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |

+Other financial instruments are derivative instruments not reflected in the schedule of investments, such as written options, futures, forward currency contracts and swap contracts.

| | | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Global Natural Resources | Investments | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 51,617 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 17,430 | (94) |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | 767 | – |
| Total | <u>\$ 69,814</u> | <u>\$ (94)</u> |
| | | Other Financial Instruments+ |
| Real Estate Securities | Investments | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 27,204 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 1,455 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | <u>\$ 28,659</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |
| | | Other Financial Instruments+ |
| Science and Technology | Investments | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$196,788 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 25,839 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | 981 | (1,458) |
| Total | <u>\$223,608</u> | <u>\$ (1,458)</u> |
| | | Other Financial Instruments+ |
| Bond | Investments | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ – | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 330,244 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | 522 | – |
| Total | <u>\$330,766</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |
| | | Other Financial Instruments+ |
| High Income | Investments | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ 988 | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 140,058 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | 1,935 | – |
| Total | <u>\$142,981</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |
| | | Other Financial Instruments+ |
| Money Market | Investments | |
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ – | \$ – |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 199,995 | – |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | – | – |
| Total | <u>\$199,995</u> | <u>\$ –</u> |

+Other financial instruments are derivative instruments not reflected in the schedule of investments, such as written options, futures, forward currency contracts and swap contracts.

| Mortgage Securities | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Level One – Quoted Prices | \$ — | \$ (131) |
| Level Two – Other Significant Observable Inputs | 33,714 | — |
| Level Three – Significant Unobservable Inputs | 217 | — |
| Total | <u>\$ 33,931</u> | <u>\$ (131)</u> |

The following tables are a reconciliation of Level 3 assets for which significant unobservable inputs were used to determine fair value:

| Value | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Beginning balance 12–31–07 | \$ — | \$ (72) |
| Net realized gain (loss) | — | 52 |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | — | (108) |
| Net purchases (sales) | — | (93) |
| Transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | — | — |
| Ending Balance 12–31–08 | <u>\$ —</u> | <u>\$ (221)</u> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments still held as of 12–31–08 | <u>\$ —</u> | <u>\$ 53</u> |

| International Growth | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Beginning balance 12–31–07 | \$ — | \$ — |
| Net realized gain (loss) | — | — |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | — | — |
| Net purchases (sales) | — | — |
| Transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | 2,508 | — |
| Ending Balance 12–31–08 | <u>\$ 2,508</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments still held as of 12–31–08 | <u>\$ (161)</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

| Asset Strategy | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Beginning balance 12–31–07 | \$ 1,069 | \$ — |
| Net realized gain (loss) | (1,382) | — |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (700) | — |
| Net purchases (sales) | 1,982 | — |
| Transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | — | — |
| Ending Balance 12–31–08 | <u>\$ 969</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments still held as of 12–31–08 | <u>\$ (700)</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

+Other financial instruments are derivative instruments not reflected in the schedule of investments, such as written options, futures, forward currency contracts and swap contracts.

| Balanced | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Beginning balance 12-31-07 | \$ — | \$ — |
| Net realized gain (loss) | — | — |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | — | — |
| Net purchases (sales) | — | — |
| Transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | 2 | — |
| Ending Balance 12-31-08 | <u>\$ 2</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments still held as of 12-31-08 | <u>\$ 100</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

| Global Natural Resources | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Beginning balance 12-31-07 | \$ 502 | \$ — |
| Net realized gain (loss) | — | — |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | 245 | — |
| Net purchases (sales) | 20 | — |
| Transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | — | — |
| Ending Balance 12-31-08 | <u>\$ 767</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments still held as of 12-31-08** | <u>\$ 244</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

| Science and Technology | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Beginning balance 12-31-07 | \$ — | \$ 148 |
| Net realized gain (loss) | — | 543 |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (188) | 865 |
| Net purchases (sales) | 1,169 | (3,014) |
| Transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | — | — |
| Ending Balance 12-31-08 | <u>\$ 981</u> | <u>\$ (1,458)</u> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments still held as of 12-31-08 | <u>\$ (187)</u> | <u>\$ 916</u> |

| Bond | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|---|--------------------|---|
| Beginning balance 12-31-07 | \$10,549 | \$ — |
| Net realized gain (loss) | 19 | — |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (8,973) | — |
| Net purchases (sales) | (1,073) | — |
| Transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | — | — |
| Ending Balance 12-31-08 | <u>\$ 522</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments still held as of 12-31-08*** | <u>\$ (8,973)</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

+Other financial instruments are derivative instruments not reflected in the schedule of investments, such as written options, futures, forward currency contracts and swap contracts.

**Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes \$(1) from change in accrued amortization.

***Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes \$1 from change in accrued amortization.

| High Income | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Beginning balance 12-31-07 | \$ 2,902 | \$ — |
| Net realized gain (loss) | (410) | — |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (435) | — |
| Net purchases (sales) | (1,375) | — |
| Transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | 1,253 | — |
| Ending Balance 12-31-08 | <u>\$ 1,935</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments still held as of 12-31-08**** | <u>\$ (125)</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

| Mortgage Securities | Investments | Other Financial Instruments+ |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Beginning balance 12-31-07 | \$ 123 | \$ — |
| Net realized gain (loss) | — | — |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | (39) | — |
| Net purchases (sales) | 79 | — |
| Transfers in and/or out of Level 3 | 54 | — |
| Ending Balance 12-31-08 | <u>\$ 217</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments still held as of 12-31-08 | <u>\$ (98)</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

+Other financial instruments are derivative instruments not reflected in the schedule of investments, such as written options, futures, forward currency contracts and swap contracts.

****Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes \$2 from change in accrued amortization.

4. INVESTMENT SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

For the fiscal period ended December 31, 2008, the cost of purchases and the proceeds from maturities and sales of investments securities, other than U.S. Government and short-term securities, were as follows:

| | Purchases | Sales |
|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Pathfinder Aggressive | \$ 55,797 | \$ 951 |
| Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive | 135,000 | — |
| Pathfinder Moderate | 88,199 | 122 |
| Pathfinder Moderately Conservative | 34,542 | 44 |
| Pathfinder Conservative | 12,394 | 100 |
| Core Equity | 588,658 | 665,416 |
| Dividend Opportunities | 94,539 | 39,459 |
| Growth | 533,530 | 644,633 |
| Micro Cap Growth | 26,011 | 30,471 |
| Mid Cap Growth | 37,375 | 22,579 |
| Small Cap Growth | 306,475 | 344,398 |
| Small Cap Value | 188,577 | 187,152 |
| Value | 141,603 | 144,145 |
| International Growth | 196,691 | 212,579 |
| International Value | 117,071 | 97,416 |
| Asset Strategy | 1,020,511 | 1,090,855 |
| Balanced | 84,664 | 117,874 |

| (Continued) | Purchases | Sales |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Energy | 15,633 | 2,657 |
| Global Natural Resources | 287,605 | 278,356 |
| Real Estate Securities | 18,414 | 18,476 |
| Science and Technology | 183,848 | 163,449 |
| Bond | 64,018 | 23,749 |
| High Income | 62,962 | 75,583 |
| Mortgage Securities | 1,994 | 5,200 |

Purchases and proceeds from maturities and sales of U.S. Government securities were:

| | Purchases | Sales |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Asset Strategy | \$ 60,098 | \$ 108,529 |
| Balanced | — | 12,834 |
| Bond | 70,954 | 63,268 |
| Mortgage Securities | 86,208 | 81,550 |

For Federal income tax purposes, cost of investments owned at December 31, 2008 and the related unrealized appreciation (depreciation) were as follows:

| | Cost | Appreciation | Depreciation | Aggregate Appreciation (Depreciation) |
|---|-----------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Pathfinder Aggressive | \$ 55,112 | \$ 63 | \$ 12,209 | \$ (12,146) |
| Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive | 135,852 | 295 | 20,183 | (19,888) |
| Pathfinder Moderate | 88,496 | 291 | 10,290 | (9,999) |
| Pathfinder Moderately Conservative | 34,706 | 138 | 2,700 | (2,562) |
| Pathfinder Conservative | 12,471 | 74 | 696 | (622) |
| Core Equity | 446,385 | 24,093 | 68,816 | (44,723) |
| Dividend Opportunities | 148,544 | 1,569 | 27,626 | (26,057) |
| Growth | 788,207 | 72,521 | 102,330 | (29,809) |
| Micro Cap Growth | 41,940 | 3,447 | 16,858 | (13,411) |
| Mid Cap Growth | 65,726 | 1,217 | 18,173 | (16,956) |
| Small Cap Growth | 375,025 | 16,068 | 103,396 | (87,328) |
| Small Cap Value | 170,964 | 8,443 | 27,270 | (18,827) |
| Value | 271,551 | 21,977 | 60,853 | (38,876) |
| International Growth | 181,455 | 10,764 | 33,775 | (23,011) |
| International Value | 527,061 | 17,844 | 170,165 | (152,321) |
| Asset Strategy | 694,645 | 19,537 | 41,103 | (21,566) |
| Balanced | 351,561 | 48,756 | 23,537 | 25,219 |
| Energy | 30,551 | 444 | 11,183 | (10,739) |
| Global Natural Resources | 127,903 | 1,426 | 59,515 | (58,089) |
| Real Estate Securities | 41,608 | 257 | 13,206 | (12,949) |
| Science and Technology | 280,237 | 18,876 | 75,505 | (56,628) |
| Bond | 340,745 | 14,818 | 24,797 | (9,979) |
| High Income | 198,703 | 441 | 56,163 | (55,722) |
| Money Market | 199,995 | — | — | — |
| Mortgage Securities | 39,126 | 359 | 5,554 | (5,195) |

5. FEDERAL INCOME TAX MATTERS

For Federal income tax purposes, the Funds' distributed and undistributed earnings and profit for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 and the related net capital losses and post-October activity were as follows:

| | Pathfinder Aggressive | Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive | Pathfinder Moderate |
|---|--------------------------|--|------------------------|
| Net ordinary income | \$ 253 | \$ 534 | \$ 291 |
| Distributed ordinary income | — | — | — |
| Undistributed ordinary income | 253 | 534 | 291 |
| Realized long term capital gains | 445 | 966 | 527 |
| Distributed long term capital gains | — | — | — |
| Undistributed long term capital gains | 445 | 966 | 527 |
| Post-October losses deferred | — | — | — |

| | Pathfinder Moderately Conservative | Pathfinder Conservative | Core Equity |
|---|--|----------------------------|----------------|
| Net ordinary income | \$ 78 | \$ 23 | \$ 3,939 |
| Distributed ordinary income | — | — | 5,001 |
| Undistributed ordinary income | 78 | 23 | 3,932 |
| Realized long term capital gains | 162 | 37 | — |
| Distributed long term capital gains | — | — | 10,724 |
| Undistributed long term capital gains | 162 | 37 | — |
| Post-October losses deferred | — | — | 16,979 |

| | Dividend Opportunities | Growth | Micro Cap Growth |
|---|---------------------------|----------|---------------------|
| Net ordinary income | \$1,438 | \$ 2,985 | \$ — |
| Distributed ordinary income | 143 | — | — |
| Undistributed ordinary income | 1,434 | 2,985 | — |
| Realized long term capital gains | — | 22,104 | — |
| Distributed long term capital gains | 235 | 10,490 | — |
| Undistributed long term capital gains | — | 22,098 | — |
| Post-October losses deferred | 1,956 | 20,302 | 264 |

| | Mid Cap Growth | Small Cap Growth | Small Cap Value |
|---|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Net ordinary income | \$ — | \$ 1,290 | \$ — |
| Distributed ordinary income | 166 | 1,797 | 3,274 |
| Undistributed ordinary income | — | 1,285 | — |
| Realized long term capital gains | — | — | — |
| Distributed long term capital gains | 754 | 4,208 | 624 |
| Tax return of capital | 1 | — | 2 |
| Undistributed long term capital gains | — | — | — |
| Post-October losses deferred | 363 | 4,139 | 4,009 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

| | Value | International Growth | International Value |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Net ordinary income | \$ 4,576 | \$ 2,686 | \$15,262 |
| Distributed ordinary income | 752 | 570 | 4,194 |
| Undistributed ordinary income | 4,569 | 2,683 | 15,258 |
| Realized long term capital gains | — | — | 24,549 |
| Distributed long term capital gains | 2,336 | 4,743 | 9,017 |
| Undistributed long term capital gains | — | — | 24,546 |
| Post-October losses deferred | 8,125 | 15,047 | — |
| | Asset Strategy | Balanced | Energy |
| Net ordinary income | \$ 3,018 | \$ 7,290 | \$ — |
| Distributed ordinary income | 36,718 | 472 | 45 |
| Undistributed ordinary income | 3,017 | 7,290 | — |
| Realized long term capital gains | 78,978 | 2,098 | — |
| Distributed long term capital gains | 27,292 | 329 | 14 |
| Tax return of capital | — | — | 1 |
| Undistributed long term capital gains | 78,973 | 2,095 | — |
| Post-October losses deferred | 53,298 | — | — |
| | Global Natural Resources | Real Estate Securities | Science and Technology |
| Net ordinary income | \$ — | \$ 828 | \$ 945 |
| Distributed ordinary income | 6,392 | 253 | 4,171 |
| Undistributed ordinary income | — | 826 | 944 |
| Realized long term capital gains | — | — | 15,597 |
| Distributed long term capital gains | 3,418 | 730 | 4,240 |
| Tax return of capital | 5 | — | — |
| Undistributed long term capital gains | — | — | 15,597 |
| Post-October losses deferred | 8,253 | 2,953 | 290 |
| | Bond | High Income | Money Market |
| Net ordinary income | \$13,698 | \$16,680 | \$ 2,836 |
| Distributed ordinary income | 306 | 1,165 | 2,825 |
| Undistributed ordinary income | 13,694 | 16,673 | 15 |
| Realized long term capital gains | — | — | — |
| Distributed long term capital gains | — | — | — |
| Undistributed long term capital gains | — | — | — |
| Post-October losses deferred | — | 3,480 | — |

| | Mortgage Securities |
|---|----------------------------|
| Net ordinary income | \$ 1,397 |
| Distributed ordinary income | 302 |
| Undistributed ordinary income | 1,396 |
| Realized long term capital gains | — |
| Distributed long term capital gains | — |
| Undistributed long term capital gains | — |
| Post-October losses deferred | 174 |

Internal Revenue Code regulations permit each Portfolio to defer into its next fiscal year net capital losses or net long-term capital losses and currency losses incurred between each November 1 and the end of its fiscal year (“post-October losses”).

Capital loss carryovers are available to offset future realized capital gain net income incurred in the eight taxable years succeeding the loss year for Federal income tax purposes. The following shows the totals by year in which the capital loss carryovers will expire if not utilized.

| | Core Equity | Dividend Opportunities | Growth |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| December 31, 2009 | \$ — | \$ — | \$18,208 |
| December 31, 2010 | 2,963 | — | 9,862 |
| December 31, 2016 | 1,098 | 4,170 | — |
| Total carryover | <u>\$ 4,061</u> | <u>\$ 4,170</u> | <u>\$28,070</u> |

| | Micro Cap Growth | Mid Cap Growth | Small Cap Growth |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| December 31, 2009 | \$ — | \$ — | \$12,729 |
| December 31, 2010 | 1,352 | — | 10,215 |
| December 31, 2016 | 765 | 998 | 22,325 |
| Total carryover | <u>\$ 2,117</u> | <u>\$ 998</u> | <u>\$45,269</u> |

| | Small Cap Value | Value | International Growth |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| December 31, 2016 | \$28,940 | \$22,440 | \$ 8,420 |
| Total carryover | <u>\$28,940</u> | <u>\$22,440</u> | <u>\$ 8,420</u> |

| | Energy | Global Natural Resources | Real Estate Securities |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| December 31, 2016 | \$ 1,276 | \$ 2,122 | \$ 1,888 |
| Total carryover | <u>\$ 1,276</u> | <u>\$ 2,122</u> | <u>\$ 1,888</u> |

| | Bond | High Income | Mortgage Securities |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| December 31, 2009 | \$ — | \$ 9,638 | \$ — |
| December 31, 2010 | — | 13,912 | — |
| December 31, 2013 | — | — | 28 |
| December 31, 2014 | 1,922 | 1,102 | 168 |
| December 31, 2015 | 376 | — | — |
| December 31, 2016 | — | 9,327 | 292 |
| Total carryover | <u>\$ 2,298</u> | <u>\$33,979</u> | <u>\$ 488</u> |

Advantus Core Equity Portfolio was merged into Ivy Funds VIP Core Equity (formerly Target Core Equity Portfolio) as of September 22, 2003. At the time of the merger, Advantus Core Equity Portfolio had capital loss carryovers available to offset future gains of the Ivy Funds VIP Core Equity. These carryovers are limited to \$1,976 for the period ending December 31, 2009 and \$988 for the period ending December 31, 2010 plus any unused limitations from prior years.

Advantus Small Company Growth Portfolio was merged into Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth (formerly Target Small Cap Growth Portfolio) as of September 22, 2003. At the time of the merger, Advantus Small Company Growth Portfolio had capital loss carryovers available to offset future gains of the Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth. These carryovers are limited to \$15,296 for the period ending December 31, 2009 and \$7,648 for the period ending December 31, 2010 plus any unused limitations from prior years.

Target Limited-Term Bond Portfolio was merged into Ivy Funds VIP Bond (formerly Target Bond Portfolio) as of August 5, 2007 (See Note 12). At the time of the merger, Target Limited-Term Bond Portfolio had capital loss carryovers available to offset future gains of the Ivy Funds VIP Bond. These carryovers amount to \$207 as of December 31, 2008 and will expire if not utilized by December 31, 2014.

Net investment income dividends and capital gains distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations which may differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These differences are due to differing treatments for items such as deferral of wash sales and post-October losses, foreign currency transactions, net operating losses and expiring capital loss carryovers. The primary difference for all Portfolios between book-basis and tax-basis cost and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is attributable primarily to the tax deferral of losses on wash sales. In addition, certain Portfolios primarily invested in foreign equity securities also have differences related to the realization for tax purposes of unrealized gains on passive foreign investment companies.

At December 31, 2008, the following reclassifications were made: Dividend Opportunities reclassified permanent differences relating to non-deductible expenses on partnerships; Growth reclassified permanent differences relating to expiring capital loss carryovers; Micro Cap Growth reclassified permanent differences relating to differing treatments of net operating losses; Mid Cap Growth reclassified permanent differences relating to differing treatments of net operating losses and over distribution of ordinary income and capital gains; Small Cap Value reclassified permanent differences relating to differing treatments of net operating losses and over distribution of ordinary income and capital gains; International Growth reclassified permanent differences relating to differing treatment of PFIC transactions; Energy reclassified permanent differences relating to differing treatments of net operating losses and over distribution of ordinary income and capital gains; Global Natural Resources reclassified permanent differences relating to differing treatments of net operating losses, treatment of PFIC transactions and over distribution of ordinary income and capital gains; Science and Technology reclassified permanent differences relating to differing treatments of net operating losses; High Income reclassified permanent differences relating to differing treatments on swaps and expiring capital loss carryovers.

6. FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE CONTRACTS

Each Portfolio, other than Money Market, may enter into foreign currency exchange contracts (“forward contracts”) for the purchase or sale of a foreign currency at a negotiated rate at a future date.

Foreign currency exchange contracts are reported on a schedule following the Schedule of Investments. Forward contracts will be valued daily based upon the closing prices of the forward currency rates determined at the close of the Exchange as provided by a bank, dealer or pricing service. The resulting unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is reported in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as a receivable or payable and in the Statement of Operations within the change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation). At contract close, the difference between the original cost of the contract and the value at the close date is recorded as a realized gain (loss) in the Statement of Operations.

Risks to a Portfolio include both market and credit risk. Market risk is the risk that the value of the forward contract will depreciate due to unfavorable changes in the exchange rates. Credit risk arises from the possibility that the counterparty will default. If the counterparty defaults, a Portfolio's loss will consist of the net amount of contractual payments that the Portfolio has not yet received.

As of December 31, 2008, the following forward currency contracts were outstanding:

| Portfolio Name | Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) | Percent of Net Assets |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| International Growth | \$ 236 | 0.15% |
| Asset Strategy | 4,628 | 0.68% |
| Global Natural Resources | (94) | 0.14% |

7. FUTURE CONTRACTS

Each Portfolio, other than Money Market, may engage in buying and selling futures contracts. Upon entering into a futures contract, the Portfolio is required to deposit, in a segregated account, an amount equal to a varying specified percentage of the contract amount. This amount is known as the initial margin. Subsequent payments (variation margins) are made or received by the Portfolio each day, dependent on the daily fluctuations in the value of the underlying debt security or index. These changes in the variation margins are recorded by the Portfolio as unrealized gains or losses. Upon the closing of the contracts, the cumulative net change in the variation margin is recorded as realized gain or loss. The Portfolio uses futures to attempt to reduce the overall risk of its investments.

Futures contracts are reported on a schedule following the Statement of Investments. Securities held in collateralized accounts to cover initial margin requirements on open futures contracts are noted in the Schedule of Investments. Cash held by the broker to cover initial margin requirements on open futures contracts and the receivable and/or payable for the daily mark to market for the variation margin are noted in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. The net change in unrealized appreciation and depreciation is reported in the Statement of Operations. Realized gains (losses) are reported in the Statement of Operations at the closing or expiration of futures contracts.

Risks of entering into futures contracts (and related options) include the possibility that there may be an illiquid market where the Portfolio is unable to liquidate the contract or enter into an offsetting position and, if used for hedging purposes, the risk that the price of the contract will correlate imperfectly with the prices of the Portfolio's securities.

As of December 31, 2008, the following Portfolios had open futures contracts as shown:

| Portfolio Name | Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) | Percent of Net Assets |
|---------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Asset Strategy | \$ 12 | 0.00% |
| Mortgage Securities | (131) | 0.48% |

8. SWAPS

Each Portfolio, excluding Money Market, may invest in swap agreements, which are agreements to exchange the return generated by one instrument for the return generated by another instrument. A Portfolio may enter into credit default, total return, variance and other swap agreements to: 1) preserve a return or a spread on a particular investment or portion of its portfolio; 2) to protect against any increase in the price of securities the Portfolio anticipates purchasing at a later date; or 3) to attempt to enhance yield.

Credit default swaps involve the exchange of a fixed rate premium for protection against the loss in value of an underlying security in the event of a defined credit event, such as payment default or bankruptcy. Under a credit default swap one party acts as a guarantor by receiving the fixed periodic payment in exchange for the commitment to purchase the underlying security at par if the defined credit event occurs. A Portfolio may enter into credit default swaps in which either it or its counterparty act as the guarantor.

Total return swaps involve a commitment to pay periodic interest payments in exchange for a market-linked return based on a security or a basket of securities representing a variety of securities or a particular index. To the extent the total return of the security, index or other financial measure underlying the transaction exceeds or falls short of the offsetting interest rate obligation, the Portfolio will receive a payment from or make a payment to the counterparty.

Variance swaps involve a contract in which two parties agree to exchange cash flows based on the measured variance of a specified underlying security or index during a certain time period. On the trade date, the two parties agree on the strike price of the contract (the reference level against which cash flows are exchanged), as well as the number of units in the transaction and the length of the contract. Like an option contract, the value of a variance swap is influenced by both realized and implied volatility, as well as the passage of time. A Portfolio, excluding Money Market, may enter into variance swaps to manage volatility risk.

The creditworthiness of firms with which a Portfolio enters into a swap agreement is monitored by WRIMCO. If a firm's creditworthiness declines, the value of the agreement would likely decline, potentially resulting in losses. If a default occurs by the counterparty to such a transaction, the Portfolio will have contractual remedies pursuant to the agreement related to the transaction.

As of December 31, 2008, there were no outstanding swap contracts.

9. AFFILIATED COMPANY TRANSACTIONS

A summary of the transactions in affiliated companies during the fiscal period ended December 31, 2008 follows:

| | 3-4-08 Share Balance | Purchase Cost | Sales Cost | Realized Gain/ (Loss) | Distribu- tions Earned ⁽¹⁾ | 12-31-08 Share Balance | 12-31-08 Market Value |
|---|----------------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Pathfinder Aggressive | | | | | | | |
| Ivy Funds VIP Bond | — | \$ 5,517 | \$ 94 | \$1 | \$ 5 | 1,028 | \$ 5,486 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | — | 8,286 | 137 | 6 | 18 | 1,159 | 5,924 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Value | — | 3,897 | 64 | 3 | 38 | 697 | 2,894 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value | — | 4,501 | 70 | 6 | 92 | 344 | 3,539 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth | — | 1,679 | 27 | 1 | 25 | 200 | 1,216 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth | — | 9,463 | 157 | 5 | 92 | 891 | 6,733 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Money Market | — | 5,560 | 95 | — | 48 | 5,465 | 5,465 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth | — | 2,793 | 46 | 2 | 38 | 444 | 2,000 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Value | — | 7,901 | 124 | 9 | 185 | 428 | 5,331 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Growth | — | 6,200 | 97 | 7 | 137 | 692 | 4,153 |
| | 3-4-08 Share Balance | Purchase Cost | Sales Cost | Realized Gain/ (Loss) | Distribu- tions Earned ⁽¹⁾ | 12-31-08 Share Balance | 12-31-08 Market Value |
| Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive | | | | | | | |
| Ivy Funds VIP Bond | — | 20,039 | — | — | 18 | 3,810 | 20,334 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | — | 24,082 | — | — | 58 | 3,712 | 18,975 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Value | — | 6,746 | — | — | 72 | 1,325 | 5,504 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value | — | 9,549 | — | — | 207 | 784 | 8,063 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth | — | 4,071 | — | — | 67 | 536 | 3,266 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth | — | 16,189 | — | — | 172 | 1,676 | 12,660 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Money Market | — | 20,157 | — | — | 136 | 20,157 | 20,157 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth | — | 6,773 | — | — | 99 | 1,185 | 5,339 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Value | — | 15,075 | — | — | 394 | 919 | 11,458 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Growth | — | 12,319 | — | — | 306 | 1,558 | 9,356 |

(1) Distributions earned includes distributions from net investment income and/or capital gains from the underlying funds.

| | 3-4-08 | | | Realized | Distribu- | 12-31-08 | 12-31-08 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|----------|-------|----------|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| | Share | Purchase | Sales | Gain/ | tions | Share | Market |
| | Balance | Cost | Cost | (Loss) | Earned ⁽¹⁾ | Balance | Value |
| Pathfinder Moderate | | | | | | | |
| Ivy Funds VIP Bond | — | \$17,488 | \$24 | \$— | \$ 16 | 3,327 | \$17,755 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | — | 15,764 | 21 | 1 | 38 | 2,483 | 12,689 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Value | — | 4,416 | 6 | — | 48 | 888 | 3,687 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value | — | 3,572 | 5 | — | 78 | 297 | 3,054 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth | — | 1,777 | 2 | — | 30 | 240 | 1,462 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth | — | 10,598 | 14 | 1 | 115 | 1,120 | 8,457 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Money Market | — | 17,578 | 24 | — | 106 | 17,554 | 17,554 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth | — | 3,547 | 5 | — | 53 | 634 | 2,855 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Value | — | 7,182 | 9 | 1 | 193 | 452 | 5,629 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Growth | — | 6,277 | 8 | 1 | 161 | 822 | 4,939 |
| | 3-12-08 | | | Realized | Distribu- | 12-31-08 | 12-31-08 |
| | Share | Purchase | Sales | Gain/ | tions | Share | Market |
| | Balance | Cost | Cost | (Loss) | Earned ⁽¹⁾ | Balance | Value |

Pathfinder Moderately Conservative

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------|----|---|----|-------|-------|
| Ivy Funds VIP Bond | — | 8,580 | 11 | — | 8 | 1,631 | 8,707 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | — | 6,187 | 8 | 1 | 15 | 1,022 | 5,222 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Value | — | 1,733 | 2 | — | 19 | 364 | 1,511 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value | — | 351 | — | — | 8 | 30 | 310 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth | — | 349 | — | — | 6 | 49 | 301 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth | — | 3,813 | 5 | — | 42 | 422 | 3,187 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Money Market | — | 8,614 | 11 | — | 41 | 8,603 | 8,603 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth | — | 1,393 | 2 | — | 21 | 261 | 1,175 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Value | — | 1,762 | 2 | — | 48 | 117 | 1,457 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Growth | — | 1,760 | 2 | — | 46 | 244 | 1,463 |

(1) Distributions earned includes distributions from net investment income and/or capital gains from the underlying funds.

| | 3-13-08 | | | Realized | Distribu- | 12-31-08 | 12-31-08 |
|--|----------|----------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| | Share | Purchase | Sales | Gain/ | tions | Share | Market |
| | Balance | Cost | Cost | (Loss) | Earned ⁽¹⁾ | Balance | Value |
| Pathfinder Conservative | | | | | | | |
| Ivy Funds VIP Bond | — | \$3,700 | \$30 | \$— | \$ 3 | 702 | \$3,745 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities | — | 2,471 | 19 | 1 | 6 | 412 | 2,108 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Value | — | 249 | 2 | — | 3 | 53 | 221 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value | — | 126 | 1 | — | 3 | 11 | 113 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth | — | 126 | 1 | — | 2 | 18 | 110 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Growth | — | 1,122 | 8 | 1 | 13 | 125 | 947 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Money Market | — | 3,715 | 30 | — | 18 | 3,685 | 3,685 |
| Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth | — | 251 | 2 | — | 4 | 47 | 213 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Value | — | 634 | 5 | — | 18 | 43 | 532 |
| Ivy Funds VIP International Growth | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| | 12-31-07 | | | Realized | Distribu- | 12-31-08 | 12-31-08 |
| | Share | Purchase | Sales | Gain/(Loss) | tions | Share | Market |
| | Balance | Cost | Cost | Received | Received | Balance | Value |
| Small Cap Growth | | | | | | | |
| Argyle Security, Inc. ⁽²⁾ | 300 | \$— | \$— | \$— | \$— | 300 | \$108 |
| Asset Strategy | | | | | | | |
| Vietnam Azalea Fund Limited ⁽²⁾ | 300 | \$450 | \$— | \$— | \$— | 300 | \$969 |

(1) Distributions earned includes distributions from net investment income and/or capital gains from the underlying funds.

(2) Non-income producing during the period.

10. SENIOR LOANS

A Portfolio invests in senior secured corporate loans either as an original lender or as a purchaser of a loan assignment or a participation interest in a loan. Senior Loans are generally made to U.S. and foreign borrowers that are corporations, partnerships, or other business entities. Senior Loans are generally readily marketable, but some loans may be illiquid or be subject to some restrictions on resale. These loans are valued using a composite price from more than one broker or dealer as obtained from a pricing service. As of December 31, 2008, the following senior loans were outstanding:

| Portfolio Name | Market Value of Senior Loans | Percent of Net Assets |
|----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Asset Strategy | \$1,073 | 0.16% |
| High Income | 8,134 | 5.54% |

Certain senior loans contain provisions that obligate a Portfolio to fund future (currently unfunded) commitments at the borrower's discretion. Funded portions of these commitments are presented in the Schedule of Investments while unfunded commitments are as follows:

| Borrower | Unfunded Commitment | Value of Underlying Loan |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| High Income | | |
| Community Health Systems Inc. | \$81 | \$63 |

11. OPTIONS

Options purchased by a Portfolio are accounted for in the same manner as marketable portfolio securities. The cost of portfolio securities acquired through the exercise of call options is increased by the premium paid to purchase the call. The proceeds from securities sold through the exercise of put options are decreased by the premium paid to purchase the put.

When a Portfolio writes (sells) an option, an amount equal to the premium received by the Portfolio is recorded as a liability. The amount of the liability is subsequently adjusted to reflect the current market value of the option written. The current market value of an option is the last sales price on the principal exchange on which the option is traded or, in the absence of transactions, the mean between the bid and asked prices or at a value supplied by a broker-dealer. When an option expires on its stipulated expiration date or a Portfolio enters into a closing purchase transaction, the Portfolio realizes a gain (or loss if the cost of a closing purchase transaction exceeds the premium received when the call option was sold) and the liability related to such option is extinguished. When a call option is exercised, the premium is added to the proceeds from the sale of the underlying security in determining whether a Portfolio has realized a gain or loss. For each Portfolio, when a written put is exercised, the cost basis of the securities purchased by a Portfolio is reduced by the amount of the premium received.

For Mid Cap Growth, transactions in written call options were as follows:

| | Number of Contracts | Premium Received |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2007. | — | \$ — |
| Options written | 28 | 200 |
| Options terminated in closing purchase transactions | (28) | (144) |
| Options exercised. | —* | (12) |
| Options expired | —* | (44) |
| Outstanding at December 31, 2008. | — | \$ — |

For Small Cap Value, transactions in written put options were as follows:

| | Number of Contracts | Premium Received |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2007. | — | \$ — |
| Options written | —* | 884 |
| Options terminated in closing purchase transactions | — | — |
| Options exercised. | — | — |
| Options expired | — | — |
| Outstanding at December 31, 2008. | —* | \$ 884 |

*Not shown due to rounding.

For Value, transactions in written call options were as follows:

| | Number of Contracts | Premium Received |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2007 | 2 | \$ 150 |
| Options written | 18 | 3,060 |
| Options terminated in closing purchase transactions | (9) | (1,733) |
| Options exercised | —* | (142) |
| Options expired | (6) | (689) |
| Outstanding at December 31, 2008 | <u>5</u> | <u>\$ 646</u> |

For Value, transactions in written put options were as follows:

| | Number of Contracts | Premium Received |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2007 | 1 | \$ 151 |
| Options written | 9 | 986 |
| Options terminated in closing purchase transactions | (2) | (170) |
| Options exercised | (4) | (496) |
| Options expired | (4) | (432) |
| Outstanding at December 31, 2008 | <u>—*</u> | <u>\$ 39</u> |

For Asset Strategy, transactions in written call options were as follows:

| | Number of Contracts | Premium Received |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2007 | — | \$ — |
| Options written | 33 | 18,559 |
| Options terminated in closing purchase transactions | (33) | (18,559) |
| Options exercised | — | — |
| Options expired | — | — |
| Outstanding at December 31, 2008 | <u>—</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

For Energy, transactions in written call options were as follows:

| | Number of Contracts | Premium Received |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2007 | — | \$ — |
| Options written | 1,875 | 163 |
| Options terminated in closing purchase transactions | (1,875) | (163) |
| Options exercised | — | — |
| Options expired | — | — |
| Outstanding at December 31, 2008 | <u>—</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

For Global Natural Resources, transactions in written call options were as follows:

| | Number of Contracts | Premium Received |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2007 | — | \$ — |
| Options written | 1 | 155 |
| Options terminated in closing purchase transactions | — | — |
| Options exercised | — | — |
| Options expired | (1) | (155) |
| Outstanding at December 31, 2008 | <u>—</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

*Not shown due to rounding.

For Science and Technology, transactions in written call options were as follows:

| | Number of Contracts | Premium Received |
|--|------------------------|---------------------|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2007..... | 1 | \$ 700 |
| Options written..... | 30 | 11,165 |
| Options terminated in closing purchase transactions..... | (18) | (7,997) |
| Options exercised..... | (1) | (487) |
| Options expired..... | (5) | (1,007) |
| Outstanding at December 31, 2008..... | <u>7</u> | <u>\$ 2,374</u> |

For Science and Technology, transactions in written put options were as follows:

| | Number of Contracts | Premium Received |
|--|------------------------|---------------------|
| Outstanding at December 31, 2007..... | — | \$ — |
| Options written..... | 1 | 781 |
| Options terminated in closing purchase transactions..... | (1) | (781) |
| Options exercised..... | — | — |
| Options expired..... | — | — |
| Outstanding at December 31, 2008..... | <u>—</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |

*Not shown due to rounding.

12. ACQUISITION OF W&R TARGET LIMITED-TERM BOND PORTFOLIO

As of August 5, 2007, Ivy Funds VIP Bond (Formerly W&R Target Bond Portfolio) acquired all the net assets of W&R Target Limited-Term Bond Portfolio pursuant to a plan of reorganization approved by the shareholders of W&R Target Limited-Term Bond Portfolio on July 19, 2007. The acquisition was accomplished by a tax-free exchange of 12,209 shares of Bond (valued at \$63,828) for the 11,647 shares of W&R Target Limited-Term Bond Portfolio outstanding as of August 5, 2007. W&R Target Limited-Term Bond Portfolio had net assets of \$63,828, including \$383 of net unrealized depreciation in value of investments and \$589 of accumulated net realized losses on investments, which were combined with those of Bond. The aggregate net assets of Bond and W&R Target Limited-Term Bond Portfolio immediately before the acquisition were \$218,169 and \$63,828, respectively. The aggregate net assets of Bond and W&R Target Limited-Term Bond Portfolio immediately following the acquisition were \$281,997 and \$0, respectively.

13. COMMITMENT

In connection with Asset Strategy's investment in Vietnam Azalea Fund Limited (VAF), the Portfolio is contractually committed to provide additional capital of up to \$1,260 if and when VAF requests such contributions or draw downs. The total commitment is limited to \$3,000. At December 31, 2008, Asset Strategy had made a total contribution of \$1,740. No public market currently exists for the shares of VAF nor are the shares listed on any securities exchange. VAF intends to become listed within one year after the final commitment has been drawn down.

14. NAME CHANGES

On July 31, 2008, the name of the Corporation changed to Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.; Dividend Income Portfolio became Dividend Opportunities and changed its investment objective to provide total return effective that same day.

15. REGULATORY AND LITIGATION MATTERS

On July 24, 2006, WRIMCO, W&R and WRSCO (collectively, Waddell & Reed) reached a settlement with each of the SEC, the New York Attorney General (NYAG) and the Securities Commissioner of the State of Kansas to resolve proceedings brought by each regulator in connection with its investigation of frequent trading and market timing in certain Waddell & Reed Advisors Funds.

Under the terms of the SEC's cease-and desist order (SEC Order), pursuant to which Waddell & Reed neither admitted nor denied any of the findings contained therein, among other provisions Waddell & Reed has agreed to: pay \$40 million in disgorgement and \$10 million in civil money penalties; cease and desist from violations of the antifraud provisions and certain other provisions of the federal securities laws; maintain certain compliance and ethics oversight structures; retain an independent consultant to periodically review Waddell & Reed's supervisory, compliance, control and other policies and procedures; and retain an independent distribution consultant (described below). According to the SEC Order, the SEC found that some market timers made profits in some of the Waddell & Reed Advisors Funds, and that this may have caused some dilution in those Funds. Also, the SEC found that Waddell & Reed failed to make certain disclosures to the Waddell & Reed Advisors Funds' Boards of Directors and shareholders regarding the market timing activity and Waddell & Reed's acceptance of service fees from some market timers.

The Assurance of Discontinuance with the NYAG (NYAG Settlement), pursuant to which Waddell & Reed neither admitted nor denied any of the findings contained therein, among its conditions requires that Waddell & Reed: reduce the aggregate investment management fees paid by certain of the Waddell & Reed Advisors Funds and certain of the Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. (formerly W&R Target Funds, Inc.) (the Funds) by \$5 million per year for five years, for a projected total of \$25 million in investment management fee reductions; bear the costs of an independent fee consultant to be retained by the Funds to review and consult regarding the Funds' investment management fee arrangements; and make additional investment management fee-related disclosures to Fund shareholders. The NYAG Settlement also effectively requires that the Funds implement certain governance measures designed to maintain the independence of the Funds' Boards of Directors and appoint an independent compliance consultant responsible for monitoring the Funds' and WRIMCO's compliance with applicable laws.

The consent order issued by the Securities Commissioner of the State of Kansas (Kansas Order), pursuant to which Waddell & Reed neither admitted nor denied any of the findings contained therein, requires Waddell & Reed to pay a fine of \$2 million to the Office of the Commissioner.

The SEC Order further requires that the \$50 million in settlement amounts described above will be distributed in accordance with a distribution plan developed by an independent distribution consultant, in consultation with Waddell & Reed, and that is agreed to by the SEC staff and the Funds' Disinterested Directors. The SEC Order requires that the independent distribution consultant develop a methodology and distribution plan pursuant to which Fund shareholders shall receive their proportionate share of losses, if any, suffered by the Funds due to market timing. Therefore, it is not currently possible to specify which particular Fund shareholders or groups of Fund shareholders will receive distributions of those settlement monies or in what proportion and amounts. However, as noted above, the SEC Order makes certain findings with respect to market timing activities in some of the Waddell & Reed Advisors Funds only. Accordingly, it is not expected that shareholders of W&R Target Funds, Inc. will receive distributions of settlement monies.

The foregoing is only a summary of the SEC Order, NYAG Settlement and Kansas Order. A copy of the SEC Order is available on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. A copy of the SEC Order, NYAG Settlement and Kansas Order is available as part of the Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc. Form 8-K as filed on July 24, 2006.

In addition, pursuant to the terms of agreement in the dismissal of separate litigation, Waddell & Reed has also agreed to extend the reduction in the aggregate investment management fees paid by the Funds, as described above, for an additional five years.

16. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

A special meeting of shareholders of the Corporation is scheduled to be held on April 3, 2009. One of the proposals that will be considered and acted upon at the meeting is a proposal to approve a proposed Agreement and Plan of Reorganization and Termination pursuant to which each Portfolio will be reorganized into a corresponding series of a newly established Delaware statutory trust. The Corporation is currently incorporated in Maryland. Shareholders of record as of the close of business on February 6, 2009 are entitled to vote at the meeting.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of
Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying statements of assets and liabilities, including the schedules of investments of Ivy Funds VIP Core Equity, Ivy Funds VIP Dividend Opportunities (formerly Dividend Income Portfolio), Ivy Funds VIP Growth, Ivy Funds VIP Micro Cap Growth, Ivy Funds VIP Mid Cap Growth, Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Growth, Ivy Funds VIP Small Cap Value, Ivy Funds VIP Value, Ivy Funds VIP International Growth, Ivy Funds VIP International Value, Ivy Funds VIP Asset Strategy, Ivy Funds VIP Balanced, Ivy Funds VIP Energy, Ivy Funds VIP Global Natural Resources, Ivy Funds VIP Real Estate Securities, Ivy Funds VIP Science and Technology, Ivy Funds VIP Bond, Ivy Funds VIP High Income, Ivy Funds VIP Money Market, and Ivy Funds VIP Mortgage Securities, twenty of the portfolios constituting Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. (the "Corporation") (formerly W&R Target Funds, Inc.) as of December 31, 2008, and the related statements of operations for the fiscal year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the two fiscal years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the fiscal periods presented. We have also audited the statements of assets and liabilities, including the schedules of investments, of Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Aggressive, Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive, Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Moderate, Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Moderately Conservative, and Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Conservative, five of the portfolios constituting the Corporation as of December 31, 2008, and the related statements of operations, the statements of changes in net assets, and the financial highlights for the fiscal period from March 4, 2008, (March 12, 2008 and March 13, 2008 for Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Moderately Conservative and Ivy Funds VIP Pathfinder Conservative, respectively) (the commencements of their operations) through December 31, 2008. These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Corporation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement. The Corporation is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2008, by correspondence with the custodian, brokers, and transfer agent; where replies were not received from brokers, we performed other alternative procedures. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements and financial highlights referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of each of the portfolios constituting Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. as of December 31, 2008, the results of their operations for the fiscal periods then ended, the changes in their net assets for each of the fiscal periods presented, and the financial highlights for each of the fiscal periods presented, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Deloitte & Touche LLP
Kansas City, Missouri
February 16, 2009

Income Tax Information

(Amounts not rounded)

The Portfolios hereby designate the following amounts of dividends paid from net ordinary income as dividends qualifying for the 70% dividends received deduction for corporations for the tax period ending December 31, 2008:

| | Dividends Received Deduction for Corporations |
|--|--|
| Pathfinder Aggressive | \$ — |
| Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive | — |
| Pathfinder Moderate | — |
| Pathfinder Moderately Conservative | — |
| Pathfinder Conservative | — |
| Core Equity | 3,370,640 |
| Dividend Opportunities | 143,127 |
| Growth | — |
| Micro Cap Growth | — |
| Mid Cap Growth | 123,795 |
| Small Cap Growth | 103,568 |
| Small Cap Value | 1,004,788 |
| Value | 751,908 |
| International Growth | — |
| International Value | — |
| Asset Strategy | 1,346,784 |
| Balanced | 367,551 |
| Energy | 15,849 |
| Global Natural Resources | 288,328 |
| Real Estate Securities | 10,324 |
| Science and Technology | 220,162 |
| Bond | — |
| High Income | 4,936 |
| Money Market | — |
| Mortgage Securities | — |

The Portfolios hereby designate the following amounts as distributions of long-term capital gains:

| | | |
|--|----|------------|
| Pathfinder Aggressive | \$ | — |
| Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive | | — |
| Pathfinder Moderate | | — |
| Pathfinder Moderately Conservative | | — |
| Pathfinder Conservative | | — |
| Core Equity | | 10,724,493 |
| Dividend Opportunities | | 235,219 |
| Growth | | 10,489,618 |
| Micro Cap Growth | | — |
| Mid Cap Growth | | 754,404 |
| Small Cap Growth | | 4,208,379 |
| Small Cap Value | | 623,713 |
| Value | | 2,335,640 |
| International Growth | | 4,742,900 |
| International Value | | 9,017,364 |
| Asset Strategy | | 27,291,684 |
| Balanced | | 329,231 |
| Energy | | 14,299 |
| Global Natural Resources | | 3,417,631 |
| Real Estate Securities | | 729,901 |
| Science and Technology | | 4,239,636 |
| Bond | | — |
| High Income | | — |
| Money Market | | — |
| Mortgage Securities | | — |

Board of Directors of Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.

Each of the individuals listed below serves as a director for the Corporation (25 portfolios), and for the portfolios within the Waddell & Reed Advisors Funds (21 portfolios) and Waddell & Reed InvestEd Portfolios, Inc. (3 portfolios) (collectively, the Advisors Fund Complex), except that Robert L. Hechler is not a Director of Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. The Advisor Fund Complex, together with the Ivy Family of Funds, comprises the Waddell & Reed/Ivy Fund Complex (Fund Complex). The Ivy Family of Funds consists of the portfolios in the Ivy Funds (17 portfolios) and Ivy Funds, Inc. (12 portfolios).

Board members who are not “interested persons” of the Funds as described in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act (Disinterested Directors) constitute at least 75% of the Board.

David P. Gardner serves as the Independent Chairman of the Board and of the board of directors of the other funds in the Advisors Fund Complex. Subject to the Director Emeritus and Retirement Policy, a Director serves until his or her successor is elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation or removal

Additional Information about Directors

The Statement of Additional Information (SAI) for the Corporation includes additional information about the Corporation's directors. The SAI is available without charge, upon request, by calling 1.888.WADDELL. It is also available on the Waddell & Reed website, www.waddell.com.

DISINTERESTED DIRECTORS

| Name, address and year of birth | Position(s) held with the Corporation and Fund Complex | Principal occupation(s) during past 5 years | Other directorships held by Director |
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| Jarold W. Boettcher 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1940 | Corporation Director: 2007 Director in Fund Complex: 2003 | President of Boettcher Enterprises, Inc. (agriculture products and services) (1979 to present), Boettcher Supply, Inc. (electrical and plumbing supplies distributor) (1979 to present), Boettcher Aerial, Inc. (Aerial Ag Applicator) (1979 to present) | Director of Guaranty State Bank & Trust Co. (financial services); Director of Guaranty, Inc. (financial services); Director, Ivy Funds, Inc.; Trustee, Ivy Funds (29 portfolios overseen); Member of Kansas Board of Regents (2007 to present) |
| James M. Concannon 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1947 | Corporation Director: 1997 Director in Fund Complex: 1997 | Professor of Law, Washburn School of Law (1973 to present) | Director, Kansas Legal Services for Prisoners, Inc. |
| John A. Dillingham 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1939 | Corporation Director: 1997 Director in Fund Complex: 1997 | President and Director, JoDill Corp. (1997 to present) and Dillingham Enterprises, Inc. (1997 to present), both farming enterprises | Advisory Director, UMB Northland Board (financial services); Former President, Liberty Memorial Association (WWI National Museum) (2005–2007); Director, Northland Betterment Commission (community service) |
| David P. Gardner 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1933 | Corporation Director: 1998 Director in Fund Complex: 1998 Corporation Independent Chairman: 2006 | President Emeritus, University of Utah; President Emeritus, University of California; Chairman, J. Paul Getty Trust (until 2004); Professor, University of Utah (non-profit education) (until 2005) | Director, Fluor Corporation (construction/engineering (until 2005); Director, Salzberg Seminar (non-profit education) (2003–2005) |

| Name, address and year of birth | Position(s) held with the Corporation and Fund Complex | Principal occupation(s) during past 5 years | Other directorships held by Director |
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| Joseph Harroz, Jr. 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1967 | Corporation Director: 1998 Director in Fund Complex: 1998 | President and Chief Operating Officer, Graymark HealthCare (medical holding company) (2008); Managing Member, Harroz Investments, LLC (commercial enterprises) (1998 to present); LSQ Manager, Inc. (real estate) (2007 to present); Vice President and General Counsel of the Board of Regents, University of Oklahoma (1996 to 2008); Adjunct Professor, University of Oklahoma Law School (1997 to 2008) | Director and Shareholder, Valliance Bank; Director, Melbourne Family Support Organization (non-profit); Director, Norman Economic Development Coalition (non-profit); Chairman and Director, Ivy Funds, Inc.; Chairman and Trustee, Ivy Funds (29 portfolios overseen) |
| John F. Hayes 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1919 | Corporation Director: 1988 Director in Fund Complex: 1988 | Shareholder, Gilliland & Hayes, P.A., a law firm (for the past five years); formerly, Chairman, Gilliland & Hayes (until 2003) | Director, Central Bank & Trust and Central Financial Corporation (banking) |
| Albert W. Herman, FHFMA, CPA 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1938 | Corporation Director: 2008 Director in Fund Complex: 2008 | Business Consultant; Treasurer and Director, Wellness Council of America (health care initiatives) (1996 to present) | Finance Committee Member, Ascension Health (non-profit health system); Director, Baylor Health Care System Foundation (health care) |
| Glendon E. Johnson, Sr. 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1924 | Corporation Director: 1986 Director in Fund Complex: 1971 | Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Castle Valley Ranches, LLC (ranching and farming) (1995 to present) | Chairman Emeritus, Wellness Council of America (health care initiatives); Executive Board and Committee Member, Advisory Council of the Boy Scouts of America |

| Name, address and year of birth | Position(s) held with the Corporation and Fund Complex | Principal occupation(s) during past 5 years | Other directorships held by Director |
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| <p>Frank J. Ross, Jr. Polsinelli Shalton Flanigan Suelthaus PC 700 West 47th Street Suite 1000 Kansas City, MO 64112 1953</p> | <p>Corporation Director: 1996 Director in Fund Complex: 1996</p> | <p>Shareholder/Director, Polsinelli Shalton Flanigan Suelthaus PC, a law firm (1980 to present)</p> | <p>Director, American Red Cross (social services); Director, Rockhurst University (education)</p> |
| <p>Eleanor B. Schwartz 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1937</p> | <p>Corporation Director: 1995 Director in Fund Complex: 1995</p> | <p>Professor Emeritus, University of Missouri at Kansas City (2003 to present); formerly, Dean, Block School of Business (1980–1986), Vice Chancellor (1988–1991) and Professor of Business Administration, University of Missouri at Kansas City (until 2003)</p> | <p>Director, Ivy Funds, Inc.; Trustee, Ivy Funds (29 portfolios overseen)</p> |

INTERESTED DIRECTORS

Messrs. Avery and Herrmann are “interested” by virtue of their current or former engagement as officers of Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc. (WDR) or its wholly owned subsidiaries, including each Fund’s investment manager, Waddell & Reed Investment Management Company (WRIMCO), each Fund’s principal underwriter, Waddell & Reed, Inc. (Waddell & Reed), and each Fund’s shareholder servicing and accounting services agent, Waddell & Reed Services Company (WRSCO), as well as by virtue of their personal ownership in shares of WDR.

| Name, address and year of birth | Position(s) held with the Corporation and Fund Complex | Principal occupation(s) during past 5 years | Other directorships held |
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| Michael L. Avery 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1953 | Corporation Director: 2007 Director in Fund Complex: 2007 | Chief Investment Officer (CIO) of WDR, WRIMCO and IICO (2005 to present); Senior Vice President of WDR; Executive Vice President of WRIMCO and Ivy Investment Management Company (IICO); portfolio manager for investment companies managed by WRIMCO and IICO (1994 to present); Director of Research for WRIMCO and IICO (1987–2005) | Director of WDR, WRIMCO and IICO |
| Henry J. Herrmann 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1942 | President: 2001 Corporation Director: 1998 Director in Fund Complex: 1998 | CEO of WDR (2005 to present); President, CEO and Chairman of WRIMCO (1993 to present); President, CEO and Chairman of IICO, an affiliate of WDR (2002 to present); formerly, President and CIO of WDR, WRIMCO and IICO (until 2005); President and Director/Trustee of each of the funds in the Fund Complex | Director of WDR, WRSCO and Waddell & Reed; Director, Ivy Funds, Inc.; Trustee, Ivy Funds (29 portfolios overseen); Director, Austin, Calvert & Flavin, Inc., an affiliate of WRIMCO; Director, Ivy Services, Inc. (ISI), an affiliate of IICO |

OFFICERS

The Board has appointed officers who are responsible for the day-to-day business decisions based on policies it has established. The officers serve at the pleasure of the Board. In addition to Mr. Herrmann, who is President, the Fund's principal officers are:

| Name, address and year of birth | Position(s) held with the Corporation and Fund Complex | Principal occupation(s) during past 5 years | Other directorships held |
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| Mara D. Herrington 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1964 | Vice President: 2006 Secretary: 2006 | Vice President and Secretary of each of the funds in the Fund Complex (2006 to present); Vice President of WRIMCO and IICO (2006 to present); formerly, Vice President and Associate General Counsel, Deutsche Investment Management Americas, Inc. (financial services) (1994 to 2005) | None |
| Joseph W. Kauten 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1969 | Vice President: 2006 Treasurer: 2006 Principal Accounting Officer: 2006 Principal Financial Officer: 2007 | Principal Financial Officer of each of the funds in the Fund Complex (2007 to present); Vice President, Treasurer and Principal Accounting Officer of each of the funds in the Fund Complex (2006 to present); Assistant Treasurer of each of the funds in the Fund Complex (2003 to 2006) | None |

| Name, address and year of birth | Position(s) held with the Corporation and Fund Complex | Principal occupation(s) during past 5 years | Other directorships held |
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| Kristen A. Richards 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1967 | Vice President: 2001 Assistant Secretary: 2006 Associate General Counsel: 2000 | Senior Vice President of WRIMCO and IICO (2007 to present); Associate General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer of WRIMCO (2000 to present) and IICO (2002 to present); Vice President and Associate General Counsel of each of the funds in the Fund Complex (2000 to present); Assistant Secretary of each of the funds in the Fund Complex (2006 to present); formerly, Vice President of WRIMCO (2000 to 2007) and IICO (2002 to 2007); formerly, Secretary of each of the funds in the Fund Complex (2000 to 2006) | None |
| Scott J. Schneider 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1968 | Vice President: 2006 Chief Compliance Officer: 2004 | Chief Compliance Officer (2004 to present) and Vice President (2006 to present) of each of the funds in the Fund Complex; formerly, Senior Attorney and Compliance Officer for each of the Funds in the Fund Complex (2000 to 2004) | None |
| Daniel C. Schulte 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, KS 66202 1965 | Vice President: 2000 General Counsel: 2000 Assistant Secretary: 2000 | Senior Vice President and General Counsel of WDR, Waddell & Reed, WRIMCO and WRSCO (2000 to present); Senior Vice President and General Counsel of IICO (2002 to present); Vice President, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary for each of the funds in the Fund Complex (2000 to present) | None |

Renewal of Investment Management Agreement for Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. as to each of its Portfolios and Investment Subadvisory Agreements for Certain Portfolios

At its meeting on August 11, 12 and 13, 2008, the Corporation's Board of Directors, including all of the Disinterested Directors, considered and approved the continuance of the existing Investment Management Agreement ("Management Agreement") between WRIMCO and the Corporation as to each of its Portfolios and, for certain Portfolios, of the Investment Subadvisory Agreement (each, a "Subadvisory Agreement") between WRIMCO and the Portfolio subadvisor pursuant to which the subadvisor provides day-to-day investment advisory services. The Disinterested Directors were assisted in their review by independent legal counsel and met with such counsel separately from representatives of WRIMCO. The Disinterested Directors also received and considered a memorandum from their independent legal counsel regarding the Disinterested Directors' responsibilities in evaluating the Management Agreement and, if applicable, the Subadvisory Agreement, for each Portfolio. This memorandum explained the regulatory requirements pertaining to the Disinterested Directors' evaluation of the Management Agreement and the Subadvisory Agreements. In addition, the Disinterested Directors engaged an independent fee consultant whose responsibilities included managing the process by which the proposed management fees under the Management Agreement were negotiated with WRIMCO.

Prior to the Board meeting, independent legal counsel sent to WRIMCO a request for information to be provided to the Directors in connection with their consideration of the continuance of the Management Agreement with respect to each Portfolio and of the Subadvisory Agreements. WRIMCO and each subadvisor provided materials to the Directors that included responses to the request letter and other information WRIMCO and the subadvisor, as applicable, believed was useful in evaluating the continuation of the Management Agreement and the Subadvisory Agreements (the "Initial Response"). Thereafter, independent legal counsel sent to WRIMCO a supplemental request for certain additional information, and WRIMCO provided additional information in response to this request (the "Supplemental Response"). The Directors also received reports prepared by an independent third party, Lipper Inc. ("Lipper"), relating to each Portfolio's performance and expenses compared to the performance of the universe of comparable mutual funds selected by Lipper (the "Performance Universe") and to the expenses of a peer group of comparable funds selected by Lipper (the "Peer Group"), respectively. Further, the Directors received a written evaluation from the independent fee consultant, a summary of which is included in this Annual Report. At their meeting, the Directors received a presentation from representatives of WRIMCO regarding services provided by it and its affiliates (collectively, "W&R") to each Portfolio. In addition, during the course of the year, WRIMCO had provided information relevant to the Directors' consideration of the continuance of the Management Agreement with respect to each Portfolio and the Subadvisory Agreements.

Nature, Extent and Quality of Services Provided to the Portfolios

The Directors considered the nature, extent and quality of the services provided to each Portfolio pursuant to the Management Agreement and by each subadvisor pursuant to its Subadvisory Agreement and also the overall fairness of the Management Agreement as to each Portfolio and, as applicable, the Subadvisory Agreements.

The Directors considered WRIMCO's and each subadvisor's research and portfolio management capabilities and that W&R also provides oversight of day-to-day portfolio operations, including but not limited to portfolio accounting and administration and assistance in meeting legal and

regulatory requirements. The Directors also considered WRIMCO's and, as applicable, each subadvisor's practices regarding the selection and compensation of brokers and dealers that execute portfolio transactions for each Portfolio, those brokers' and dealers' provision of brokerage and research services to WRIMCO, and the benefits derived by the other funds in the Advisors Fund Complex and by other clients of WRIMCO from such services. The Directors also considered the favorable history, reputation, qualification and background of WRIMCO and W&R's extensive administrative, accounting and compliance infrastructure, as well as WRIMCO's supervisory activities over each subadvisor.

Portfolio Performance, Management Fee and Expense Ratio. The Directors considered each Portfolio's performance, both on an absolute basis and in relation to the performance of its Performance Universe (except for Pathfinder Aggressive, Pathfinder Conservative, Pathfinder Moderate, Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive and Pathfinder Moderately Conservative (each, a "Pathfinder Portfolio")). Each Portfolio's performance was also compared to relevant market indices and to a Lipper index, as applicable (except for the Pathfinder Portfolios).

The Directors considered the management fees and total expenses of each Portfolio and also considered each Portfolio's management fees and total expenses in relation to the management fees and total expenses, respectively, of its Peer Group. The Directors' review also included consideration of each Portfolio's management fees at various asset levels, which, except for Ivy Funds VIP Money Market, reflected breakpoints in the management fee structure, and average account size information. In addition, the Directors considered, for each Portfolio, the investment management fees, if any, paid to WRIMCO (or its affiliate) by other mutual funds managed by WRIMCO (or its affiliate) with a similar investment objective (or objectives) and similar investment policies and strategies as the Portfolio ("Similar Funds"). The Directors also considered, for each Portfolio, the subadvisory fees, if any, paid to WRIMCO or the subadvisor, as applicable, (or their respective affiliates) by other mutual funds advised by WRIMCO or the subadvisor (or their respective affiliates), as well as the management fees, if any, paid by other client accounts managed by WRIMCO or the subadvisor (or their respective affiliates), with a similar investment objective (or objectives) and similar investment policies and strategies as the Portfolio ("Other Accounts").

Additional Considerations with Respect to Each Portfolio

Asset Strategy

The Directors considered that Asset Strategy's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one-, three-, five-, seven-, and ten-year periods.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at certain asset levels were higher than, and at other asset levels were lower than, the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as or higher than the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that there were no Other Accounts. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Balanced

The Directors considered that Balanced's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one-, three-, five-, seven-, and ten-year periods.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were higher than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that the Other Accounts had average advisory fees that were lower than the management fee of the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee. The Directors recognized that differences in fees paid by the Other Accounts were consistent with the additional management and other services provided by WRIMCO to the Portfolio.

Bond

The Directors considered that Bond's total return performance was lower than the Performance Universe median for the three-, five-, seven-, and ten-year periods and was lower than the Lipper index for the one-, three-, five-, seven-, and ten-year periods.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were lower than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were lower than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as or higher than the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that the Other Accounts had average advisory fees that were lower than the management fee of the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee. The Directors recognized that differences in fees paid by the Other Accounts were consistent with the additional management and other services provided by WRIMCO to the Portfolio.

Core Equity

The Directors considered that Core Equity's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one-, three-, five-, seven-, and ten-year periods.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were lower than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at certain asset levels were higher than, and at other asset levels were lower than, the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were lower than or higher than the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that the Other Accounts had average advisory fees that were lower than the management fee of the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds and Other Accounts to

evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee. The Directors recognized that differences in fees paid by the Other Accounts were consistent with the additional management and other services provided by WRIMCO to the Portfolio.

Dividend Opportunities

The Directors considered that Dividend Opportunities' total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one- and three-year periods for which information was provided, since the Portfolio did not have a five-year performance record as of March 31, 2008.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee was lower than the Peer Group median and that the overall expense ratio was higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were higher than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group, except for an asset level at which the Portfolio's effective management fees were lower.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that the Other Accounts had average advisory fees that were lower than the management fee of the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Energy

The Directors considered that Energy's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one-year period for which information was provided, since the Portfolio did not have a three-year performance record as of March 31, 2008.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee was equal to the Peer Group median and that the overall expense ratio was lower than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at certain asset levels were higher than, and at other asset levels were lower than, the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group. The Directors considered that WRIMCO had voluntarily agreed to waive the management fee if Portfolio assets totaled less than \$25 million, which resulted in a fee waiver for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had an advisory fee schedule that was the same as the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that there were no Other Accounts. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Global Natural Resources

The Directors considered that Global Natural Resources' total return performance was equal to the Performance Universe median and was lower than the Lipper index for the one-year period for which information was provided, since the Portfolio did not have a three-year performance record as of March 31, 2008. The Directors also noted that WRIMCO recommended the continuance of the Subadvisory Agreement with the Portfolio's subadvisor, Mackenzie Financial Corporation.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee

schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were higher than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group, except for an asset level at which the Portfolio's effective management fees were lower.

The Directors also considered that there was a Similar Fund that had an advisory fee schedule that was the same as the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule (including a subadvisory fee to the subadvisor that was the same as the Portfolio's) and that there were no Other Accounts. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Fund to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Growth

The Directors considered that Growth's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one-, three-, five-, seven-, and ten-year periods.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee was equal to the Peer Group median and that the overall expense ratio was higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were lower than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as or higher than the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that the Other Accounts had average advisory fees that were lower than the management fee of the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee. The Directors recognized that differences in fees paid by the Other Accounts were consistent with the additional management and other services provided by WRIMCO to the Portfolio.

High Income

The Directors considered that High Income's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median for the one-, three-, seven-, and ten-year periods and the Lipper index for the one-, three-, and seven-year periods.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were lower than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were lower than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as or higher than the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that the Other Accounts had average advisory fees that were higher than the management fee of the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

International Growth

The Directors considered that International Growth's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one-, three-, and ten-year periods.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were lower than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee

schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were lower than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group, except for an asset level at which the Portfolio's effective management fees were higher.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as or higher than the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that the Other Accounts had average advisory fees that were lower than the management fee of the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee. The Directors recognized that differences in fees paid by the Other Accounts were consistent with the additional management and other services provided by WRIMCO to the Portfolio.

International Value

The Directors considered that International Value's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median for the one-, five-, seven-, and ten-year periods and the Lipper index for the five-, seven-, and ten-year periods. The Directors noted that WRIMCO recommended the continuance of the Subadvisory Agreement with the Portfolio's subadvisors, Templeton Investment Counsel, LLC and Templeton Global Advisors Limited.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were higher than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that there were no Similar Funds and no Other Accounts managed by WRIMCO or its affiliates. The Directors also considered that the Other Accounts of a similar size managed by the subadvisors had advisory fees that were lower than the subadvisory fees for the Portfolio. The Directors considered that the subadvisors had explained that certain of their Other Accounts have lower fees, because those relationships precede WRIMCO's relationship with the subadvisors and/or are larger in size. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Micro Cap Growth

The Directors considered that Micro Cap Growth's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the three-, five-, and ten-year periods. They also considered the information provided by WRIMCO in its Initial Response and Supplemental Response explaining that the Portfolio tends to outperform in stronger markets and underperform in weaker markets and that the Portfolio's overweighting in technology had adversely affected its performance over the last year. They further considered the year-to-date performance information through June 30, 2008, provided by WRIMCO in its Supplemental Response. The Directors also noted that WRIMCO recommended the continuance of the Subadvisory Agreement with the Portfolio's subadvisor, Wall Street Associates.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were higher than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that there were no Similar Funds or Other Accounts managed by WRIMCO or its affiliates. The Directors also considered that the Other Accounts of a similar size managed by the subadvisor had advisory fees that were higher than the subadvisory fees for the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Mid Cap Growth

The Directors considered that Mid Cap Growth's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and was lower than the Lipper index for the one-year period for which information was provided, since the Portfolio did not have a three-year performance record as of March 31, 2008.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were higher than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group. The Directors also considered that WRIMCO had voluntarily agreed to waive the management fee if Portfolio assets totaled less than \$25 million, which resulted in a fee waiver for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had an advisory fee schedule that was the same as or lower than the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that there were no Other Accounts. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Money Market

The Directors considered that Money Market's total return performance was lower than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one-, three-, five-, seven-, and ten-year periods. They also considered the information provided by WRIMCO in its Initial Response and Supplemental Response explaining that the Portfolio's underperformance reflects the conservative nature of the Portfolio's investments and the year-to-date performance information through June 30, 2008, provided by WRIMCO in its Supplemental Response. They further considered the information provided by WRIMCO in its Supplemental Response addressing the impact of the Portfolio's Rule 12b-1 plan and presenting Waddell & Reed, Inc.'s proposal to terminate the 12b-1 plan.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were lower than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were higher than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that there were no Other Accounts. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Mortgage Securities

The Directors considered that Mortgage Securities' total return performance was lower than the Performance Universe median for the one- and three-year periods for which such information was provided, since the Portfolio did not have a five-year performance record as of March 31, 2008. They also considered the information provided by WRIMCO in its Initial Response and Supplemental Response explaining that the Portfolio's underperformance was influenced primarily by the Portfolio's holdings of non-agency asset-backed securities and also explaining the

changes which the Portfolio's subadvisor, Advantus Capital Management, Inc. ("Advantus Capital"), has made to the Portfolio's credit and liquidity profile. They further considered the year-to-date performance information through June 30, 2008, provided by WRIMCO in its Supplemental Response. The Directors noted that WRIMCO recommended the continuance of the Subadvisory Agreement with Advantus Capital.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee was equal to the Peer Group median and that the overall expense ratio was higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were lower than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that there was a Similar Fund that had an advisory fee schedule that was the same as the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule (including a subadvisory fee to the subadvisor that was the same as the Portfolio's) and that there were no Other Accounts managed by WRIMCO or its affiliates. The Directors also concluded that the Other Accounts of a similar size managed by the subadvisor had advisory fees that were close to or higher than the subadvisor fees for the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Fund and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Pathfinder Aggressive, Pathfinder Conservative, Pathfinder Moderate, Pathfinder Moderately Aggressive and Pathfinder Moderately Conservative

The Directors considered that the Pathfinder Portfolios had commenced operations in March 2008 and, thus, performance information for them was not included in the Lipper data. The Directors considered the information that they had received from W&R since the Pathfinder Portfolios' inception regarding the operations of the Pathfinder Portfolios. They also considered that no management fees are charged to the Pathfinder Portfolios.

Real Estate Securities

The Directors considered that Real Estate Securities' total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one-year period and was lower than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the three-year period for which information was provided, since the Portfolio did not have a five-year performance record as of March 31, 2008. They also considered the information provided by WRIMCO in its Initial Response explaining that the Portfolio' underperformance is due primarily to the conservative portfolio construction of the Portfolio's subadvisor, Advantus Capital, and that the other funds in the Performance Universe have significant amounts of foreign holdings, in contrast to the Portfolio's domestic style. The Directors noted that WRIMCO recommended the continuance of the Subadvisory Agreement with Advantus Capital.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were higher than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that there was a Similar Fund that had an advisory fee schedule that was the same as the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule (including a subadvisory fee to the subadvisor that was the same as the Portfolio's) and that there were no Other Accounts managed by WRIMCO or its affiliates. The Directors also concluded that the Other Accounts of a similar size managed by the subadvisor had advisory fees that were close to or higher than the

subadvisory fees for the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Fund and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Science and Technology

The Directors considered that Science and Technology's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median for the one-, three-, five-, seven-, and ten-year periods and the Lipper index for the one-, three-, five-, and seven-year periods.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee was higher than the Peer Group median and that the overall expense ratio was lower than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were lower than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as or higher than the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that the Other Accounts had average advisory fees that were lower than the management fee of the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee. The Directors recognized that differences in fees paid by the Other Accounts were consistent with the additional management and other services provided by WRIMCO to the Portfolio.

Small Cap Growth

The Directors considered that Small Cap Growth's total return performance was higher than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one-, seven-, and ten-year periods. They also considered the information in WRIMCO's Initial Response explaining that the Portfolio's underperformance for the three-year period was primarily due to WRIMCO's research style that emphasizes investing in companies with strong fundamentals, which were out of favor in much of 2006 and early 2007.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were lower than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were lower than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group, except for an asset level at which the Portfolio's effective management fees were higher.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as or higher than the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that the Other Accounts had average advisory fees that were lower than the management fee of the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee. The Directors recognized that differences in fees paid by the Other Accounts were consistent with the additional management and other services provided by WRIMCO to the Portfolio.

Small Cap Value

The Directors considered that Small Cap Value's total return performance was lower than the Performance Universe median for the three-, five-, seven-, and ten-year periods and was lower than the Lipper index for the one-, three-, five-, and seven-year periods. They also considered the information in WRIMCO's Initial Response explaining that the Portfolio's underperformance for the three-year period was primarily due to lower quality stocks outperforming the higher quality stocks held by the Portfolio and noting that WRIMCO assumed direct management responsibility for the Portfolio on March 24, 2008.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were higher than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were higher than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that there was a Similar Fund that had an advisory fee schedule that was the same as the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that there were no Other Accounts. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Fund to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee.

Value

The Directors considered that Value's total return performance was lower than the Performance Universe median and the Lipper index for the one-, three-, and five-year periods. They also considered the information provided by WRIMCO in its Initial Response explaining that the Portfolio's underperformance resulted primarily from poor stock selection within the financial sector and explaining also that the Portfolio's performance improved for the year-to-date period through May 31, 2008.

The Directors considered the range and average of the management fees and expense ratios of the Peer Group. They considered that the Portfolio's management fee and overall expense ratio were lower than the Peer Group median. They also considered that, with the breakpoints in the fee schedule, the Portfolio's effective management fees at various asset levels were higher than the asset-weighted average for its Peer Group.

The Directors also considered that the Similar Funds had advisory fee schedules that were the same as or higher than the Portfolio's advisory fee schedule and that the Other Accounts had average advisory fees that were lower than the management fee of the Portfolio. The Directors considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds and Other Accounts to evaluate the appropriateness and reasonableness of the Portfolio's management fee. The Directors recognized that differences in fees paid by the Other Accounts were consistent with the additional management and other services provided by WRIMCO to the Portfolio.

Profitability and Economies of Scale

The Directors also considered that the management fee structure of each Portfolio (except Money Market, which has a single rate, and each Pathfinder Portfolio, which has no management fee) includes breakpoints that provide for a reduction of payments to reflect anticipated economies of scale. The Directors also considered the management fee rate reductions that became effective October 1, 2006, for Asset Strategy, Bond, Core Equity, Growth, High Income, International Growth, Mid Cap Growth, Science and Technology, Small Cap Growth, and Value and certain other funds in the Advisors Fund Complex, and the anticipated impact of the fee rate reduction for each of these Portfolios on its investment management fees and overall expense ratio. In concluding that the benefits accruing to WRIMCO and its affiliates by virtue of their relationship to a Portfolio were reasonable in comparison with the costs of providing the investment management services and the benefits accruing to the Portfolio, the Directors considered specific data as to WRIMCO's profit or loss with respect to the Portfolio for a recent period. The Directors also considered WRIMCO's methodology for determining this data. In addition, the Directors considered the soft dollar arrangements with respect to each Portfolio's portfolio transactions, as applicable.

In determining whether to approve the proposed continuance of the Management Agreement as to a Portfolio and, as applicable, a Portfolio's Subadvisory Agreement, the Directors considered the best interests of the Portfolio and the overall fairness of the proposed Management Agreement, and, as applicable, the Subadvisory Agreement. The Directors considered the following factors to be of primary importance to their approval of the continuance of the Management Agreement as to a Portfolio and, as applicable, its Subadvisory Agreement, without any one factor being dispositive:

- the performance of the Portfolio compared with the average performance of its Performance Universe (except for the Pathfinder Portfolios) and with relevant indices;
- the Portfolio's investment management fees and total expenses compared with the management fees and total expenses of the Peer Group (except for the Pathfinder Portfolios);
- the existence or appropriateness of breakpoints in the Portfolio's management fees (except for the Pathfinder Portfolios);
- the cost/profitability to WRIMCO and any actual or anticipated economies of scale in relation to the services it provides to the Portfolio;
- the other benefits that accrue to WRIMCO as a result of its relationship to the Portfolio; and
- the favorable history, reputation, qualification and background of WRIMCO as well as the qualifications of its personnel.

Based on the discussions, considerations and information described generally above, including the evaluation provided by the independent fee consultant, the Board determined that each Portfolio's Management Agreement and, as applicable, its Subadvisory Agreement are fair and reasonable and that continuance of the Management Agreement and, as applicable, the Subadvisory Agreement, is in the best interests of the Portfolio. In reaching these determinations as to each Portfolio, the Board concluded that: the nature, extent and quality of the services provided by WRIMCO for the Portfolio are adequate and appropriate; it retained confidence in WRIMCO's overall ability to manage the Portfolio; and the management fee paid to WRIMCO is reasonable in light of comparative management fee information, the breakpoints in the proposed management fee for the Portfolio (other than Ivy Funds VIP Money Market and the Pathfinder Portfolios), the services provided by WRIMCO, the costs of the services provided, and the profits realized and other benefits likely to be derived by WRIMCO from its relationship with the Portfolio.

The Disinterested Directors of Waddell & Reed Advisors Funds, Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc.¹ and Waddell & Reed InvestEd Portfolios, Inc. (the “Funds”) have appointed an independent fee consultant. Below is a summary of the written fee evaluation of such consultant for the most recent year.

Summary

Pursuant to the Assurance of Discontinuance between Waddell & Reed, Inc., Waddell & Reed Investment Management Company (“WRIMCO”) and Waddell & Reed Services Company (“WRSCO”) (collectively, “Waddell”) and the Office of the New York Attorney General dated July 10, 2006 (“AOD”), the Disinterested Directors of each Fund’s Board appointed an Independent Fee Consultant (“IFC”) to manage the process by which proposed management fees paid by the Funds to WRIMCO are negotiated. The IFC does not replace the Directors in negotiating management fees and does not substitute his or her judgment for that of the Directors about the reasonableness of the proposed fees.

In the IFC’s 2008 written evaluation of the proposed management fees of the Funds (“Report”), the IFC addressed the following six factors:

1. The nature and quality of Waddell’s services, including Fund performance
2. Management fees (including any components thereof) charged by other mutual fund companies for like services
3. Possible economies of scale as the Funds grow larger
4. Management fees (including any components thereof) charged to institutional and other clients of Waddell for like services
5. Costs to Waddell and its affiliates of supplying services pursuant to the management fee agreements, excluding any intra-corporate profit
6. Profit margins of Waddell and its affiliates from supplying such services

The following is a summary of the Report’s discussion of the contract renewal process, related materials, and the IFC’s findings.

Analysis of the Process

The Report noted that the Boards previously created the Special Compliance & Governance Committee (“Compliance Committee”), which is composed of Disinterested Directors and charged with the responsibility for certain work associated with the contract renewal process.

The Report stated that the contract renewal process includes a number of sequential steps by which the Disinterested Directors go about determining the reasonableness of the proposed management fees for the Funds in the context of their annual consideration of the proposed continuance of the Funds’ respective investment management agreements with WRIMCO and the sub-advisory agreements with certain sub-advisors. The Report stated that the IFC participated throughout the contract renewal process.

The Disinterested Directors instructed independent legal counsel to the Disinterested Directors, K&L Gates LLP (“K&L Gates”), to prepare a letter requesting information from WRIMCO needed for the contract renewal process, which was provided. Lipper, Inc. (“Lipper”) was asked to provide independently compiled comparative information about the Funds. The Report stated that Lipper selected the peer group with input from WRIMCO to ensure that Lipper understood

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the investment and distribution intricacies of the Funds and that the IFC observed and concurred in the selection.

The Report noted that the Compliance Committee met with the IFC and K&L Gates to discuss the information provided by WRIMCO and Lipper and to determine whether to request any additional information from WRIMCO prior to the August Disinterested Directors and Board meetings. At the Compliance Committee's direction, K&L Gates sent a supplemental request to WRIMCO for certain additional information, which was provided prior to the Disinterested Directors' August 2008 meetings.

Analysis of Materials

Materials refer to the informational materials that were prepared by Waddell and Lipper in response to the data requested by the Disinterested Directors through the Compliance Committee and K&L Gates. The IFC reviewed the information produced and found it to be responsive to the requests by the Disinterested Directors. He also reviewed certain other materials that he considered relevant.

The IFC used these materials to analyze trends and comparative information about the six factors listed above. The Report noted that, apart from these materials, the Disinterested Directors also received information throughout the year, some of which the IFC reviewed, that was also relevant to the contract renewal process.

(1) Nature and Quality of Services

In the Report, the IFC commented on the investment performance of the Funds. The performance data for these comparisons were drawn from the Lipper materials. Performance information was based on March 31, 2008 data, and references in the Report to 1-, 3- and 5-year periods referred to the periods ended on March 31, 2008.

The Report stated that the IFC's experience is that fund directors should focus on longer-term performance during the contract renewal process (though they may choose to focus on shorter-term performance for other purposes). Accordingly, the Report concentrated on 3-year performance in comparison to the "performance universe," rather than on the more limited "performance group," because, in the IFC's experience, fund investors are more typically concerned with the objective and style of management than the size of the fund. The Report recommended that the Disinterested Directors focus on a 3-year view of investment performance for the purposes of contract renewal, because it is long enough to reflect most market cycles and short enough to be relevant to the holding period for many mutual fund shareholders.

The Report stated that, overall, the Funds reflect strong and improving performance in the 1-, 3- and 5-year periods. The collective (Advisors Funds, Ivy VIP Funds and InvestEd Portfolios together) 5-year performance has 50% of the Funds in the first two quintiles of their performance universe and 3% in the 5th quintile. The 3-year figures improve to 65% of the Funds in the first two quintiles and 8% in the 5th quintile, and the 1-year figures reflect similar performance with 64% in the first two quintiles and 5% in the 5th quintile. Emphasizing the improvement, the Report noted that the 1-year short-term performance has only 7% of the Funds in the combined 4th and 5th quintiles, a decrease from 18% in the 3-year performance, and 31% in the 5-year performance periods.

Although the IFC found that the Funds have strong performance, it also noted that certain Funds have experienced either continuing or recent challenges. The IFC suggested that the Disinterested Directors request additional information from WRIMCO regarding certain Funds. The Disinterested Directors reviewed the information provided by WRIMCO.

The Report suggested that, if a Fund consistently demonstrates poor performance, higher than average expenses, or a combination of both, it may be appropriate for the Disinterested Directors to consider taking affirmative action. Possible actions cited by the Report include requesting more frequent reports, WRIMCO's providing more research support, WRIMCO's providing more portfolio management capability, seeking an outside sub-advisor, or requesting a voluntary fee waiver. The IFC did not identify any individual Funds that required this attention at this time.

The Report noted that, with respect to services provided by WRIMCO affiliates, WRSCO maintained internal statistics to track shareholder service quality, which showed marked improvement in 2008, and also retained Dalbar, Inc. to provide an independent quality assessment. WRSCO scored either very good or excellent in all categories evaluated by Dalbar.

(2) Fund Fees

The Report stated that information for this metric is drawn from the Lipper analysis and is compared with a peer group for each Fund. The Report noted that the majority of Funds have management fees above the median of their peer groups. It concluded that, overall, more Funds have improved their comparative ranking of actual management fees in 2008 than declined.

The Report also noted that, in general, the Funds have higher total expenses than the peer group and that this is often caused by non-management fees. The Report noted that a number of Advisors Funds have smaller average account sizes relative to the general mutual fund industry and commented on the impact of such account sizes on the Funds' non-management expenses. The Report also noted the Disinterested Directors' prior discussions regarding possible means of addressing this impact and their continuing attention to this matter.

(3) Possible Economies of Scale

The Report noted that economies of scale occur when assets grow and a fund's fixed costs are spread over a larger asset base. The Report also pointed out that fund managers usually share economies of scale by implementing breakpoints, or scale-downs, in the structure of the management fee. As a general rule, fund directors establish breakpoints prospectively at an asset level beyond the current asset level so that shareholders benefit from future asset growth. Lipper provided the Disinterested Directors with a comprehensive listing of breakpoints in the Funds and compared the Funds' and peer groups' effective fees at uniform asset levels.

The IFC found that the Funds, except for Waddell & Reed Advisors Cash Management Fund and Ivy VIP Money Market Fund, already have breakpoints in place and that these breakpoints appear adequate in providing economies of scale. However, the IFC suggested that the Disinterested Directors review the current breakpoint structure of certain Funds to determine whether an adjustment might be needed. The Disinterested Directors did so and determined that the current breakpoint structure of the Funds is appropriate.

(4) Management Fees for Comparable and Alternative Products

The Report noted that the Advisors and Ivy VIP Funds have Funds with similar investment styles and therefore anticipated comparable management fees. The Report stated that management fee variances can be explained with the larger average asset size of the Advisors Funds, causing some of the Funds to reach breakpoints and reductions in management fees, or Funds that have remaining waivers. The Report further stated that, although their management fees are comparable, the Advisors Fund total expense ratio is on average higher than the comparable Ivy VIP Fund total expense ratio because of the shareholder service expenses of the Advisors Fund.

The Report noted that WRIMCO manages money for different types of clients besides mutual funds. These include corporate and municipal pension funds and investment pools for wealthy individuals (collectively, "separate accounts"). Several of these separate accounts are managed with the same investment objective and in the same style as some of the Advisors and Ivy VIP

Funds. In most cases, the data provided by WRIMCO show that net management fees for the Funds are higher than that of the equivalent separate accounts. WRIMCO has explained these differences by reference to the different type of responsibilities borne by WRIMCO as a mutual fund manager and as a separate account manager. The IFC found these differences reasonable.

(5) Costs to Waddell and its Affiliates of Supplying Services

The Report pointed out that an important component of the profit margin analysis involves ensuring that advisor's allocation procedures are reasonable and consistent from year to year. WRIMCO uses multiple methodologies for allocation including assets, revenue, time, and square footage. The Report found that the bases of allocation have remained consistent over the past several years and that the allocation methodologies are reasonable.

(6) Profit Margins from Supplying Management Services

The Report noted that the disinterested directors of mutual funds are required to assess that the profitability of the advisory contracts to the advisor is not excessive. In connection with the Fund-by-Fund profitability review, WRIMCO provided an analysis of the profitability of each Fund. The IFC did not find the profit margins excessive.

The Report also noted that disinterested directors often review the overall profitability of the investment management company. Lipper provided benchmarks against which to evaluate the overall profitability of Waddell and other public companies in the investment business. The Report found that this analysis places Waddell near the median of Lipper peers.

The Report stated that the IFC monitored the process, reviewed the materials, and reached the following conclusions:

- The contract renewal process conducted under the supervision of the Disinterested Directors has been careful, deliberate, and conscientious.
- The materials were prepared without bias and in sufficient detail to facilitate meaningful decisions by the Disinterested Directors and the full Boards.
- The discussion which took place leading up to and at the Disinterested Directors and Board meetings was substantive and conducted in accordance with the best interests of the shareholders of the Funds.

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Proxy Voting Guidelines

A description of the policies and procedures Ivy Funds Variable Insurance Portfolios, Inc. uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available (i) without charge, upon request, by calling 1.888.WADDELL and (ii) on the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) website at www.sec.gov.

Proxy Voting Records

Information regarding how the Portfolio voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available on Form N-PX through Waddell & Reed's website at www.waddell.com and on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

Quarterly Portfolio Schedule Information

A complete schedule of portfolio holdings for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on the Corporation's Form N-Q. This form may be obtained in the following ways:

- On the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.
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