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GLOBAL EQUITY LONG SHORT STRATEGY ADDED TO THE REGAL INVESTMENT FUND (ASX:RF1)

Dear Investors,

The Investment Committee of RF1 is pleased to announce it has approved the addition of the Global Equity Long Short Strategy (the Strategy) to the underlying investment mandate of RF1. The initial allocation to the Strategy is expected to be approximately 8% of NAV and will be implemented on or after 18 April 2024.

The Investment Committee has also determined to remove the Long Short Healthcare Strategy (Healthcare Strategy) during April. As at 31 March 2024 the allocation to the Healthcare Strategy was 6%.

Additional information on the changes are outlined below:

ADDITION OF THE GLOBAL EQUITY LONG SHORT STRATEGY

Background

The investment objective of the Regal Investment Fund (RF1) is to provide investors with exposure to a selection of alternative investment strategies managed by Regal Funds Management (Regal), with the aim of producing attractive risk adjusted absolute returns over a period of more than five years with limited correlation to equity markets.

As outlined in the RF1 Product Disclosure Statement, dated 8 April 2019 (the "PDS"), Regal may introduce new investment strategies if they are in accordance with the Fund's Investment Guidelines and be a complementary addition to the Portfolio.

Investment Committee

In determining that RF1 make an allocation to the Strategy, the Investment Committee has given regard to the following:

1. Diversification benefits
2. Prevailing market conditions
3. Correlation benefits
4. Investment Opportunity



In consideration of the above, the Investment Committee has determined that the addition of the Global Equity Long Short Strategy will serve to further increase the portfolio diversification, deliver a strong risk-adjusted return profile to investors and ultimately enable RF1 to better deliver on its objectives.

Portfolio Construction and Strategy Allocation Ranges

The Portfolio’s exposure to the Global Equity Long Short Strategy will be via direct equity investments, rather than via a Regal Fund. The Investment Committee has agreed that the initial allocation will be approximately 8% of NAV, to be implemented on or after 18 April 2024. In accordance with the Investment Guidelines set out in the PDS, a maximum of 25% of the Fund’s NAV can be allocated to the Strategy.

A summary of the updated RF1 investment strategy ranges following this announcement are as follows:

Sub-Strategy Name	RF1 Weight Range
Market Neutral Strategy	0% – 25%
Emerging Companies Strategy	0% – 25%
Australian Small Companies Strategy	0% – 25%
Global Alpha Strategy	0% – 25%
Australian Long Short Equity Strategy	0% – 25%
Resources Royalties Strategy	0% – 25%
Water Strategy	0% – 25%
Private Credit Opportunities Strategy	0% – 25%
Global Equity Long Short Strategy	0% – 25%

The Global Equity Long Short Strategy - Overview

The Global Equity Long Short Strategy provides investors with exposure to a concentrated portfolio of long and short positions across global equity markets (primarily ex-Australia) that represent the highest conviction positions across the Regal group. The Strategy utilises the significant global investment expertise and research capabilities across the Regal group.

Investment objective:

The Strategy seeks to generate strong risk adjusted absolute returns over the medium to long term.

Permitted investments:

Permitted investments within the Strategy are long and short positions in listed global securities or derivatives.

Investment strategy:

The Manager implements the Global Equity Long Short Strategy primarily by utilising its Fundamental Investment Process and also, at times, its Market Driven Process (see the PDS for more details). The Strategy will be overseen by Regal CIO Philip King, leveraging the full resources of the Regal Partners global investment research team.

The Strategy is typically expected to maintain a net exposure (ie long positions – short positions) of less than 100%.



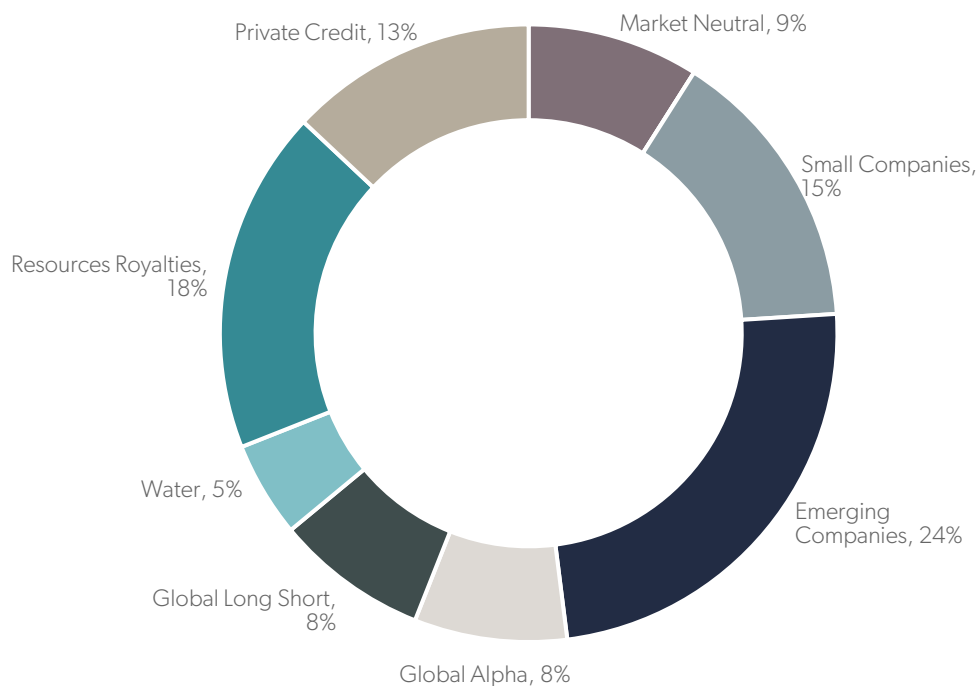
Since June 2023, the Strategy has generated a total net return of approximately 14%, with a volatility of approximately 9%¹.

REMOVAL OF THE LONG SHORT HEALTHCARE STRATEGY

The Investment Committee has also determined to remove the Long Short Healthcare Strategy to the underlying investment mandate of RF1 following the resignation of the Strategy Portfolio Manager. The previous allocation of RF1 to the Healthcare Strategy was 6% and will be reduced to 0% in April.

SUB-STRATEGY ALLOCATIONS FOLLOWING THE CHANGES

As a guide to the expected sub-strategy allocations post these changes, please find the 'Expected Exposure by Strategy' below:



¹ Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and should not be relied upon. Performance and volatility figures are calculated based on the Global Equity Long Short Strategy as implemented in the VGI Partners Master Fund, net of fees. Performance figures are from June 2023 to 31 March 2024 and reflect the period from which Philip King, CIO of Regal Funds Management, formally undertook Portfolio Management responsibility for the Global Equity Long Short Strategy. During this period, the fund was below its high-water mark and no performance fees were applicable to such performance.



CONTACT US

Should you have any questions regarding this announcement or the Regal Investment Fund, please don't hesitate to contact the Regal investor relations team at investorrelations@regalfm.com.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. O'Connor', written over a light grey horizontal line.

Brendan O'Connor
Chief Executive Officer
Regal Partners Limited

This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Equity Trustees Limited



ABOUT THE REGAL INVESTMENT FUND

The Regal Investment Fund (RFI) is an ASX-listed investment trust managed by specialist alternative investment manager Regal Funds Management. Listed in June 2019, the Fund provides investors with exposure to a selection of alternative investment strategies with an objective to produce attractive risk-adjusted absolute returns over a period of more than five years with limited correlation to equity markets. Since inception on 17 June 2019, the Fund has delivered an annualised return to investors of +18.7% p.a. to 31 March 2024².

ABOUT THE INVESTMENT MANAGER

Regal Funds is a multi-award winning investment management business, four times awarded alternative investment management firm of the year³. A subsidiary of ASX-listed Regal Partners Limited (ASX:RPL), Regal sits alongside investment managers PM Capital, VGI Partners, Kilter Rural, Attunga Capital and Taurus Funds Management which manage capital across a diverse range of alternative investment strategies covering long / short equities, private markets, real & natural assets, and credit & royalties.

With a large team of approximately 155, including over 70 investment professionals, located in offices across Australia, Asia, UK/Europe and North America⁴, RPL manages capital on behalf of institutions, family offices, charities, wealth advisory groups and private investors. Combining deep industry experience, extensive networks and multi-award winning performance track records, Regal seeks to be the leading provider of alternative investment strategies in Australia and Asia.

ABOUT EQUITY TRUSTEES LIMITED

Established in 1888, the Responsible Entity of the Trust is Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298, AFSL 240975), a provider of specialist trustee services to private clients, corporates and superannuation funds.

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For queries relating to an investor holding, we recommend investors contact the Link Market Services Registry, as Registry provider of RFI on +61 1800 221 227 (outside Australia) at any time between 8.30am and 5.30pm (Sydney time) on Monday to Friday or via email on regalfund@linkmarketservices.com.au.

² Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and should not be relied upon. Performance figures are net of fees and costs and assume reinvestment of distributions.

³ Australian Alternative Investment Manager of the Year, awarded at the Annual AIMA 'Hedge Funds Rock' Awards in 2019, 2016, 2014, 2011.

⁴ As at 31 December 2023