

 $CRD \, \# \, 287807$ 

(303) 339-0524

Change-Finance.com

# Form ADV Part 2A – Disclosure Brochure

March 15, 2023

This brochure ("Brochure") provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Change Finance, P.B.C ("Change Finance"). If you have any questions about the contents of this Brochure, please contact us at (303) 339-0524 or info@change-finance.com. The information in this Brochure has not been approved or verified by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or by any state authority.

Additional information about Change Finance is available on the SEC's website at **www.AdviserInfo.sec.gov**.

## Item 2 – Material Changes

The purpose of Item 2 of the Brochure is to provide clients with a summary of new and/or updated information that is contained in the remainder of the Brochure.

This Brochure dated March 15, 2023, replaces our most recent other-than-annual amendment dated January 4, 2023.

Key updates were made to the following section(s), since our initial filing on September 30, 2022:

- Item 4 Advisory Business: added language regarding the Change Finance International Fossil Free Index.
- Item 5 Fees and Compensation: updated language to better reflect the fees received by Change Finance.
- Item 8 Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies and Risk of Loss: (1) added language regarding the Change Finance International Fossil Free Index and (2) added further language regarding Risk of Loss.

Currently, our Brochure may be requested by contacting Dorrit Lowsen at (303) 339-0524 or <u>info@change-finance.com</u>. Our Brochure is also available on our web site at change-finance.com, at no charge.

Additional information about Change Finance and our investment advisory representatives ("IARs") is also available via the SEC's website at: <u>www.adviserinfo.sec.gov</u>.

## Item 3 – Table of Contents

#### Page

Item 2 – Material Changes	2
Item 3 – Table of Contents	3
Item 4 – Advisory Business	3
Item 5 – Fees and Compensation	4
Item 6 – Performance-Based Fees and Side-By-Side Management	4
Item 7 – Types of Clients	5
Item 8 – Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies and Risk of Loss	5
Item 9 – Disciplinary Information	9
Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations	. 10
Item 11 – Code of Ethics, Participation or Interest in Client Transactions and Personal Trading	. 10
Item 12 – Brokerage Practices	.10
Item 13 – Review of Accounts	.11
Item 14 – Client Referrals and Other Compensation	.11
Item 15 – Custody	.11
Item 16 – Investment Discretion	.11
Item 17 – Voting Client Securities	.12
Item 18 – Financial Information	.13

### Item 4 – Advisory Business

Change Finance, P.B.C ("Change Finance") was founded in 2016. Change Finance is a Public Benefit Corporation ("PBC") and is principally owned by Andrew Rodriguez, Dorrit Lowsen, and Donna Morton.

### Types of Advisory Services

Change Finance serves as model provider to other investment advisers (the "Managers" or "Manager"). Separately managed account ("SMA") clients who obtain Change Finance's services through model provider arrangements contract with their Manager who, in turn, enters into an agreement with Change Finance to obtain the relevant sub-advisory services. Generally, Managers are responsible for providing the SMA clients with both the Manager's Brochure as well as the Brochure for each sub-adviser, such as Change Finance, used by the SMA client. Change Finance's models currently include the Change Finance Diversified Impact U.S. Large Cap Fossil Fuel Free Index and the Change Finance International Fossil Free Index (each an "Index," and together the "Indices").

Investments are selected in accordance with the stated investment policies, objectives, restrictions and guidelines, consistent with the applicable model (*e.g.*, the Index). Strategies and restrictions are not tailored to the individualized needs of any particular client.

Change Finance also serves as a sub-adviser to the AXS Change Finance ESG ETF, which is a registered investment company operating as an exchange-traded fund (the "ETF" or "Fund"). The Fund is managed consistent with the applicable Index.

#### Client Assets as of December 31, 2022:

Assets Under Management:

Discretionary:	\$ 112,736,433; 1 account
Non-Discretionary:	None
Assets Under Advisement:	\$ 625,981; 3 accounts

### Item 5 – Fees and Compensation

Change Finance receives fees from certain third parties to employ the use of Change Finance's Indices. Change Finance receives fees from the investment adviser to the Fund (the "Fund Adviser") and the Manager.

Fee schedules for clients participating in model arrangements may be separately negotiated with the relevant Manager. For serving as the model provider to SMAs, Change Finance receives 0.40% of the total management fee received by the Manager for any SMA accounts which utilize the Indices. Managers have their own policies regarding investment advisory fees. SMA clients should review the Manager's Brochure for further details. Change Finance is compensated by the Manager of the total model arrangement. Change Finance does not receive fees directly from the underlying client.

The Fund Adviser receives management fees from Fund investors at an annual rate of 0.49% based on the Fund's average daily net assets, computed and accrued daily. For serving as the sub-adviser to the Fund, Change Finance receives 100% of the management fees from the Fund Adviser, paid monthly after the deduction of certain expenses. Fund investors may be subject to other fees and expenses as described in the Fund's publicly available prospectus and statement of additional information.

Change Finance, the Fund or the Manager may terminate their agreement in accordance with the termination provisions of each agreement. In the event of termination prior to the conclusion of a billing period, any fees previously paid will be promptly refunded to the client based on the date of termination, and any fees due to Change Finance from the client will be prorated based on the date of termination.

Mutual funds and ETFs charge internal management fees, which are disclosed in its prospectus and/or financial filings. Such charges, fees and commissions are exclusive of, and in addition to, Change Finance's sub-advisory fee with regard to mutual funds or ETFs that are not managed by Change Finance.

Change Finance's fees are exclusive of brokerage commissions, transaction fees, and other related costs and expenses which shall be incurred by the client. The Fund, and SMA clients who are invested in the model provided by Change Finance, will incur certain charges imposed by custodians, brokers, third party investment and other third parties such as advisory fees charged by Managers, custodial fees, deferred sales charges, odd-lot differentials, transfer taxes, wire transfer and electronic fund fees, and other fees and taxes on brokerage accounts and securities transactions.

Change Finance's supervised persons do not accept compensation for the sale of securities or other investment products, including asset-based sales charges or service fees from the sale of mutual funds.

### Item 6 - Performance-Based Fees and Side-By-Side Management

Change Finance does not currently have any performance-based fee arrangements.

## Item 7 – Types of Clients

Change Finance provides Index models to other investment managers and registered investment companies.

Managers will have their own policies regarding minimum account size. SMA clients should review the Manager's Brochure for further details.

Change Finance does not have a minimum account size for clients. There is no minimum initial investment for the Fund.

#### Item 8 – Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies and Risk of Loss

#### Methods of Analysis

Change Finance's primary objective is to leverage the power of capital markets to promote a more just and sustainable world. Change Finance's investment methodology relies on Environmental, Social, and Governance ("ESG") data to deliver a combination of impact and alpha (returns).

#### Investment Strategies

### Change Finance Diversified Impact U.S. Large Cap Fossil Fuel Free Index

The Change Finance Diversified Impact U.S. Large Cap Fossil Fuel Free Index measures the performance of an equal-weighted portfolio of approximately 100 large- and mid- capitalization equity securities of U.S. listed companies. The Index excludes companies involved in the fossil fuel industry, fossil-fired utilities and companies which fail to meet a diverse set of ESG standards.

Construction of the Index begins with the constituents of the Solactive US Large & Mid Cap Index (the "Solactive Universe"), generally the 1,000 largest U.S. listed common stocks and real estate investment trusts. To be eligible for inclusion in the Index, companies must meet the ESG standards determined by Change Finance (the "Eligible Companies"), which are then sorted by sector and ranked within each sector by their free-float market capitalization.

At the time of each reconstitution of the Index, 100 companies are selected for inclusion in the Index and equally weighted (i.e., each of the 100 companies receives a weight of 1%). The Index is reconstituted quarterly after the close of trading on the 10<sup>th</sup> business day of each March, June, September, and December, utilizing data from the last business day of the month preceding the reconstitution. The Index's exposure may change significantly with each reconstitution or based on market movements between reconstitutions.

Under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the Fund's net assets, plus borrowings for investment purposes, will be invested in the equity securities of companies that meet Change Finance's ESG criteria that do not derive any revenue from fossil fuel production, fossil fuel power generation, tobacco production, production of genetically modified organisms, nuclear power generation, weapons production, or hazardous pesticide production.

### **Change Finance International Fossil Free Index**

The Change Finance International Fossil Free Index measures the performance of an equal-weighted portfolio of approximately 100 globally listed, large- and mid-capitalization equity securities, depositary receipts, and real estate investment trusts ("REITs") that meet a diverse set of ESG standards.

Construction of the Index begins with the constituents of the Solactive GBS Developed Markets ex North America Large & Mid Cap USD Index (the "Solactive Universe"), generally the 1,000 largest common stocks and REITs in developed markets, excluding companies domiciled in North America (the United States, Canada, or Mexico). To be eligible for inclusion in the Index, companies must meet the ESG standards determined by Change Finance (the "Eligible Companies"), which are then sorted by sector and ranked within each sector by their free-float market capitalization.

At the time of each reconstitution of the Index, 100 companies are selected for inclusion in the Index and equal-weighted (i.e., each of the 100 companies receives a weight of 1%). The Index is reconstituted quarterly after the close of trading on the 10<sup>th</sup> business day of each March, June, September, and December, utilizing data from the last business day of the month preceding the reconstitution. The Index's exposure may change significantly with each reconstitution or based on market movements between reconstitutions.

Under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the Index's net assets, plus borrowings for investment purposes, will be invested in Eligible Companies (i.e., companies that meet the environmental, social, and governance criteria described above) that do not derive any revenue from fossil fuel production, fossil fuel power generation, tobacco production, production of genetically modified organisms, nuclear power generation, weapons production, or hazardous pesticide production.

### Risk of Loss

There is no guarantee of success by Change Finance. Investment portfolios may be adversely affected by general economic and market conditions such as interest rates, currency fluctuations, availability of credit, inflation rates, changes in laws, and national and international political circumstances. These factors may affect the level and volatility of security pricing and the liquidity of an investment. The strategies used by Change Finance may include the following risks:

Application of Environmental, Social, Governance (ESG) Screens. The application of the firm's ESG guidelines to security selection will limit the available universe and may cause the index to underperform when compared to a similar strategy using securities that do not meet the firm's ESG criteria. The ESG criteria is subjective and may not align with a client's specific opinions about ESG. The criteria related to the ESG policy may result in the Index forgoing opportunities to buy certain securities when it might otherwise be advantageous to do so or sell securities for reasons when it might be otherwise disadvantageous for it to do so.

Cybersecurity Risk. As technology becomes more integrated into Change Finance's operations, Change Finance will face greater operational risks through breaches in cybersecurity. A breach in cybersecurity refers to both intentional and unintentional events that may cause Change Finance to lose proprietary information, suffer data corruption or lose operational capacity. This in turn could cause Change Finance to incur regulatory penalties, reputational damage, additional compliance costs associated with corrective measures and/or financial loss. Cybersecurity threats may result from unauthorized access to Change Finance's digital information systems (e.g., through "hacking" or malicious software coding), but may also result from outside attacks such as denial- of-service attacks (i.e., efforts to make network services unavailable to intended users). In addition, because Change Finance works closely with third-party service providers (e.g., administrators, transfer agents and custodians), cybersecurity breaches at such third-party service providers may subject Change Finance to many of the same risks associated with direct cybersecurity breaches. The same is true for cybersecurity breaches at any of the issuers in which Change Finance may invest. While Change Finance and their third-party service providers have established information technology and data security programs and have in place business continuity plans and other systems designed to prevent losses and mitigate cybersecurity risk, there are inherent limitations in such plans and systems, including the possibility that certain risks have not been identified or that cyber-attacks

may be highly sophisticated.

*Economic Conditions.* Changes in economic conditions, including, for example, interest rates, inflation rates, employment conditions, competition, technological developments, political and diplomatic events and trends, and tax laws may adversely affect the business prospects or perceived prospects of companies. While Change Finance or a Manager performs due diligence on the companies in whose securities it invests, economic conditions are not within the control of Change Finance or the Manager and no assurances can be given that Change Finance or the Manager will anticipate adverse developments.

*Emerging Markets Risk.* In addition to the risks generally associated with investing in foreign securities, countries with emerging markets also may have relatively unstable governments, social and legal systems that do not protect shareholders and securities markets that trade a small number of issues. Emerging market economies may be based on only a few industries and security issuers may be more susceptible to economic weakness and more likely to default. Emerging market securities also tend to be less liquid.

*Equity Market Risks.* Change Finance and any Managers will generally invest portions of client assets directly into equity investments, primarily stocks, or into Funds that invest in the stock market. As noted above, while Funds have diversified portfolios that may make them less risky than investments in individual securities, Funds that invest in stocks and other equity securities are nevertheless subject to the risks of the stock market. These risks include, without limitation, the risks that stock values will decline due to daily fluctuations in the markets, and that stock values will decline over longer periods (*e.g.*, bear markets) due to general market declines in the stock prices for all companies, regardless of any individual security's prospects.

*Foreign Securities Risk.* Investments in non-U.S. securities involve certain factors not typically associated with investing in U.S. securities, such as risks relating to: (i) differences between the U.S. and foreign securities markets, including the absence of uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards and practices and disclosure requirements, and less government supervision and regulation; (ii) political, social or economic instability; (iii) the extension of credit, especially in the case of sovereign debt; and (iv) certain tax-related risks including, without limitation, uncertainties in the application of tax laws by non-U.S. jurisdictions, the imposition of withholding and other taxes on dividends, interest, capital gains or other income, the possibility of expropriation, confiscatory taxation and limitations on the removal of funds or other assets. Securities of non-U.S. companies may be less liquid and their prices more volatile than securities of comparable U.S. companies and therefore may involve greater risks.

*Currency Exchange Rate Risk.* Change Finance and any Managers may invest portions of client assets in investments denominated in non-U.S. currencies or in securities that provide exposure to such currencies. Changes in currency exchange rates and the relative value of non-U.S. currencies will affect the value of an investment and the value of your Shares. Currency exchange rates can be very volatile and can change quickly and unpredictably. As a result, the value of an investment may change quickly and without warning and you may lose money.

*Lack of Diversification.* Client accounts may not have a diversified portfolio of investments at any given time, and a substantial loss with respect to any particular investment in an undiversified portfolio will have a substantial negative impact on the aggregate value of the portfolio.

*Market Risks.* Market risk is the risk that the value of securities in a portfolio may decline due to daily fluctuations in the securities markets that are generally beyond Change Finance's or a Manager's control. In a declining stock market, stock prices for all companies may decline, regardless of their long-term prospects.

*Management Risks.* While Change Finance manages client investment portfolios or recommends one or more Managers based on Change Finance's experience, research and proprietary methods, the value of client investment portfolios will change daily based on the performance of the underlying securities in which they are invested. Accordingly, client investment portfolios are subject to the risk that Change Finance or a Manager allocates assets to asset classes that are adversely affected by unanticipated market movements, and the risk that Change Finance's or a Manager's specific investment choices could underperform their relevant indexes. Change Finance makes no guarantee regarding the investment performance of any client portfolio. Clients should understand that the investment performance and asset value of the client's portfolio can and will fluctuate and that the portfolio may lose money.

*Index Provider Risk.* There is no assurance that the Index Provider, or any agents that act on its behalf, will compile the Index accurately, or that the Index will be determined, maintained, constructed, reconstituted, rebalanced, composed, calculated or disseminated accurately. The Index Provider relies on an independent calculation agent to calculate and disseminate the Index accurately. Any losses or costs associated with errors made by the Index Provider, or its agents, generally will be borne by the Fund and its shareholders. Because the Index includes international securities, the Index Provider may have limited information or may be more prone to mistakes based on the data available and such mistakes may have a greater impact on SMA clients or the Fund's performance, which may increase the risks.

*Passive Investment Risk.* The Fund is not actively managed, and Change Finance would not sell shares of an equity security due to current or projected underperformance of a security, industry, or sector, unless that security is removed from the Index or the selling of shares of that security is otherwise required upon a reconstitution or rebalancing of the Index in accordance with the Index methodology.

*Risks Related to Depositary Receipts*. Depositary Receipts involve risks similar to those associated with investments in foreign securities, such as changes in political or economic conditions of other countries and changes in the exchange rates of foreign currencies. Depositary Receipts listed on U.S. exchanges are issued by banks or trust companies and entitle the holder to all dividends and capital gains that are paid out on the underlying foreign shares ("Underlying Shares"). When Change Finance and any Managers invest portions of client assets directly into Depositary Receipts as a substitute for an investment directly in the Underlying Shares, investors are exposed to the risk that the Depositary Receipts may not provide a return that corresponds precisely with that of the Underlying Shares. The issuers of unsponsored depositary receipts may not be obligated to disclose information that is, in the U.S., considered material. Therefore, less information may be available regarding these issuers and a correlation between such information and the market value of the depositary receipts may not exist. Depositary receipts are generally subject to the same risks as the non-U.S. securities that they evidence or into which they may be converted.

*Risks Related to Investments in ETFs, Mutual Funds and Other Investment Pools.* As described above, Change Finance and any Managers may invest client portfolios in ETFs, mutual funds and other investment pools. Investments in Funds are generally less risky than investing in individual securities because of their diversified portfolios; however, these investments are still subject to risks associated with the markets in which they invest. In addition, Funds' success will be related to the skills of their particular managers and their performance in managing their Funds. Registered Funds are also subject to risks due to regulatory restrictions applicable to registered investment companies under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

*Risks Related to ETF NAV and Market Price.* The market value of an ETF's shares may differ from its net asset value ("NAV"). This difference in price may be due to the fact that the supply and demand in the market for ETF shares at any point in time is not always identical to the supply and demand in the market for the underlying basket of securities. Accordingly, there may be times when an ETF trades at a premium (creating the risk that a portfolio pays more than NAV for an ETF when making a purchase) or discount

(creating the risks that the portfolio's value is reduced for undervalued ETFs it holds and that the portfolio receives less than NAV when selling an ETF).

*Risks Related to Investments in REITs.* Investments in REITs involve unique risks. REITs may have limited financial resources, may trade less frequently and in limited volume, and may be more volatile than other securities. The risks of investing in REITs include certain risks associated with the direct ownership of real estate and the real estate industry in general. Securities in the real estate sector are subject to the risk that the value of their underlying real estate may go down. Many factors may affect real estate values, including the general and local economies, the amount of new construction in a particular area, the laws and regulations (including zoning and tax laws) affecting real estate, and the costs of owning, maintaining and improving real estate. The availability of mortgages and changes in interest rates may also affect real estate values. REITs are also subject to heavy cash flow dependency, defaults by borrowers, and self-liquidation.

*Large-Capitalization Company Risk.* Change Finance and any Managers may invest a portion of a client's portfolio in large-capitalization companies. Large-capitalization companies are generally more mature and may be unable to respond as quickly as smaller companies to new competitive challenges, such as changes in technology and consumer tastes, and also may not be able to attain the high growth rate of successful smaller companies, especially during extended periods of economic expansion.

*Small-Capitalization Company Risk.* Change Finance and any Managers may invest a portion of a client's portfolio in small-capitalization companies. Investing in small-capitalization companies involves greater risk than is customarily associated with larger, more established companies. Small-capitalization companies frequently have less management depth and experience, narrower market penetrations, less diverse product lines, less competitive strengths and fewer resources than larger companies. Due to these and other factors, stocks of small-capitalization companies may be more susceptible to market downturns and other events, and their prices may be more volatile than larger capitalization companies. In addition, in many instances, the securities of small-capitalization companies typically are traded only over-the-counter or on a regional securities exchange, and the frequency and volume of their trading is substantially less than is typical of larger companies, it may be more difficult to buy or sell significant amounts of such shares without an unfavorable impact on prevailing prices. Therefore, the securities of small-capitalization companies may be subject to greater price fluctuations. Small-capitalization companies are typically subject to greater changes in earnings and business prospects than larger, more established companies and also may not be widely followed by investors, which can lower the demand for their stock.

*Third Party Data Risk.* The composition of the Index is heavily dependent on proprietary information and data supplied by a third party ("Third Party Data"). When Third Party Data proves to be incorrect or incomplete, any decisions made in reliance thereon may lead to the inclusion or exclusion of securities from the Index that would have been excluded or included had the Third Party Data been correct and complete. If the composition of the Index reflects such errors, the SMA client and the Fund's portfolio can be expected to reflect the errors, too.

*Tracking Error Risk.* As with all index funds, the performance of the Fund and the Index may differ from each other for a variety of reasons. For example, the Fund incurs operating expenses and portfolio transaction costs not incurred by the Index. In addition, the Fund may not be fully invested in the securities of the Index at all times or may hold securities not included in the Index.

### **Item 9 – Disciplinary Information**

Registered investment advisers are required to disclose all material facts regarding any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to a client's evaluation of Change Finance or the integrity of Change

Finance's management. Change Finance has no information applicable to this Item.

## Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

Change Finance is required to disclose any relationship or arrangement that is material to its advisory business or to its clients with certain relate persons.

Change Finance does not have management persons registered or with a pending registration as registered representative of a broker/dealer, futures commission merchant, commodity pool operator, a commodity trading advisor, or an associated person of the foregoing entities.

Change Finance does not recommend or select other investment advisers for clients.

## Item 11 – Code of Ethics, Participation or Interest in Client Transactions and Personal Trading

## Code of Ethics and Personal Trading

Change Finance has adopted a Code of Ethics pursuant to Advisers Act Rule 204A-1 and Rule 17j-1 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, which will be made available upon request.

Change Finance's Code of Ethics sets forth guidelines for professional standards for Change Finance's associated persons (managers, officers and employees). Change Finance's associated persons must place the interests of its clients first, ahead of personal interests. In this regard, Change Finance's associated persons are to act with honesty, good faith and fair dealing in working with clients and not take inappropriate advantage of their positions in relation to Change Finance.

Since related persons of Change Finance may invest in the same securities as they include in the Index, the Code sets forth policies and procedures to monitor and review the personal trading activities of associated persons. The Code is designed to reduce or eliminate conflicts of interest that could potentially arise during personal trading activities. These policies are designed to discourage and prohibit personal trading that would disadvantage clients. The Code also provides for disciplinary action as appropriate for violations.

## Item 12 – Brokerage Practices

## Best Execution and Benefits of Brokerage Selection

Fund and SMA clients who obtain Change Finance's services through sub-advisory arrangements, generally contract only with the Manager who, in turn, is responsible for best execution and negotiating favorable commissions for transactions they execute in client accounts. Change Finance only provides recommendations to these entities and does not have any contact with the underlying SMA client or Fund investor, nor manages those portfolios directly.

Trades in client accounts are executed by the Manager and will follow the best execution policies of the Manager.

### Research and Other Soft Dollars Benefits

Change Finance does not utilize soft dollars.

## Brokerage for Client Referrals

Change Finance does not maintain any referral arrangement with broker/dealers.

### Directed Brokerage and Aggregation of Orders

Change Finance cannot accept directed brokerage from the Fund or SMA clients.

Trades in SMA client accounts are executed by the applicable Manager and will follow the directed brokerage and trade aggregation policies of the Manager.

## Item 13 – Review of Accounts

The composition of Indices is reviewed by Andrew Rodriguez, Chief Executive Officer (the "CEO") and Chief Investment Officer (the "CIO") of Change Finance. The Indices reconstituted quarterly after the close of trading on the 10th business day of each March, June, September, and December, utilizing data from the last business day of the month preceding the reconstitution.

Change Finance may employ various computer programs in conducting periodic account reviews. More frequent reviews of the Indices may be triggered by material changes in variables such as the market, political or economic environment.

SMA clients who obtain Change Finance's services through model provider arrangements, contract with the Manager who, in turn, is responsible for periodic reporting and client relations. However, meetings with Change Finance personnel are typically arranged through the Manager. Change Finance reports to the Trust's Board on a periodic basis and maintains contact with each Fund's administrative staff regarding the Fund's respective Index portfolio.

## Item 14 – Client Referrals and Other Compensation

Change Finance does not directly or indirectly compensate any third party for client referrals and does not receive any economic benefits from non-clients in connection with the provision of investment advice to clients.

### Item 15 – Custody

Both SMA and Fund assets will be maintained by unaffiliated qualified custodians; banks, broker/dealers, mutual fund company, or transfer agent; not with or by Change Finance, or any of its associates. SMA clients should receive at least quarterly statements from the qualified custodian that holds and maintains the client's investment assets.

Clients who obtain Change Finance's services through sub-advisory arrangements, generally rely on the Manager of the sub-advisory arrangement to provide custodian account statements to those client accounts since the Manager serves as the adviser and maintains the relationship with those SMA clients.

### Item 16 – Investment Discretion

Generally, Change Finance is retained by Managers on a non-discretionary basis to provide the Indices for the Manager's use with certain SMAs. With respect to the Fund, Change Finance provides sub-advisory services by managing the Index on a discretionary basis.

Investments for the Index are selected in accordance with each Fund's stated investment objective, strategies and restrictions and are not tailored to the individualized needs of any particular investor in the Fund. Therefore, Fund investors should consider whether the Fund meets their investment objectives and risk tolerance prior to investing. Information about the Fund is found in publicly available fund prospectus and statement of additional information.

## Item 17 – Voting Client Securities

Change Finance's policy is to vote proxies on behalf of the Fund. Change Finance has adopted Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures. Where Change Finance is delegated proxy voting authority for securities owned by the SMAs of a Manager, Change Finance will vote such securities for the exclusive benefit, and in the best economic interest, of the Fund or the SMAs, as determined by Change Finance in good faith, subject to any restrictions or directions from a client.

Change Finance has written proxy voting policies and procedures ("Proxy Procedures") as required by Rule 206(4)-6 under the Advisers Act. Such voting responsibilities are exercised in accordance with the general antifraud provisions of the Advisers Act, as well as with Change Finance's fiduciary duties under federal and state law to act in the best interests of its clients.

Change Finance has contracted with and will use Glass Lewis' proxy voting platform ("Glass Lewis"). Glass Lewis will provide proxy voting support with regard to casting votes and keeping voting records. Under the terms of its arrangement with Glass Lewis, Change Finance will generally follow the Glass Lewis ESG and Climate Policy recommendations. Change Finance can instruct Glass Lewis to vote either for or against a particular type of proposal or Change Finance can instruct Glass Lewis to seek instruction with respect to that particular type of proposal from Change Finance on a case-by-case basis ("Voting Instructions"). Glass Lewis receives all proxy statements and sorts the proposals according to Change Finance's Voting Instructions. Proposals for which a voting decision has been pre-determined are automatically voted by Glass Lewis pursuant to the Voting Instructions. Case-by-case decisions are generally made by the CCO and reviewed by the Proxy Committee. All voting records are maintained by Glass Lewis, except that Change Finance will maintain copies of any document created by Change Finance that was material in making a determination of how to vote a "case-by-case" proxy or that memorializes the basis for that decision.

On occasion, Change Finance may determine not to vote a particular proxy. This may be done, for example where: (1) the cost of voting the proxy outweighs the potential benefit derived from voting; (2) a proxy is received with respect to securities that have been sold before the date of the shareholder meeting and are no longer held in a client account; (3) the terms of an applicable securities lending agreement prevent Change Finance from voting with respect to a loaned security; (4) despite reasonable efforts, Change Finance receives proxy materials without sufficient time to reach an informed voting decision and vote the proxies; (5) the terms of an applicable agreement or applicable law preclude Change Finance from voting; or (6) the terms of an applicable advisory agreement reserve voting authority to the client or another party.

Change Finance acknowledges its responsibility for identifying material conflicts of interest related to voting proxies. In order to ensure that Change Finance is aware of the facts necessary to identify conflicts, senior management of Change Finance must disclose to the CCO any personal conflicts such as officer or director positions held by them, their spouses or close relatives, in any portfolio company. Conflicts based on business relationships with Change Finance or any affiliate of Change Finance will be considered only to the extent that Change Finance has actual knowledge of such relationships. If a conflict may exist which cannot be otherwise addressed by the CIO, Change Finance may choose one of several options including: (1) voting in accordance with the Voting Guidelines, if it involves little or no discretion; (2) voting as

recommended by a third party service, if employed by Change Finance; (3) "echo" or "mirror" voting the proxies in the same proportion as the votes of other proxy holders that are not Change Finance clients; (4) if possible, erecting information barriers around the person or persons making the voting decision sufficient to insulate the decision from the conflict; or (5) if agreed upon in writing with the client, forwarding the proxies to affected clients and allowing them to vote their own proxies.

The Fund is required to file a proxy report (Form N-PX) with the SEC on an annual basis. These reports show the voting records made by Change Finance on behalf of the Fund and are publicly available on the SEC's website.

SMAs may choose to vote their own proxies for securities held in their account. If this is the case, the SMA client must notify their Manager in writing that they wish receive proxy solicitations directly and assume responsibility for voting them. However, Change Finance will not have the ability to accept direction on a particular solicitation.

An SMA client or Fund investor may obtain copies of Change Finance's written Proxy Procedures, as well as information regarding how proxies were voted for its account by requesting such information from Change Finance at the address, phone number and/or email address listed on the cover page of this brochure. Change Finance will not disclose proxy votes to one client regarding votes cast for another client and will not disclose such information to third parties, unless specifically requested, in writing, to do so by the client. However, to the extent that Change Finance may serve as a sub-adviser to another Manager, Change Finance will be deemed to be authorized to provide proxy voting records regarding such sub-advised accounts to the Manager for such accounts.

## Item 18 – Financial Information

Change Finance does not require or solicit prepayment of more than \$1,200 in fees per client, six months or more in advance, and currently does not have any financial condition that is reasonably likely to impair its ability to meet contractual commitments to clients.