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MANAGER'S COMMENTARY

Signs of a weakening market environment through the summer were validated by an October that delivered the worst losses since the financial crisis ten years ago. The MSCI World was briefly down more than 10% in US dollar terms until a strong rally in the final week, in combination with a lower Loonie, brought Canadian dollar losses for the month to just under 6%. While trade wars and geopolitical factors (Kashoggi murder) were proximate causes, these factors have been present for many months. It is more likely that the deeper causes of the drop were a combination of a US bull market that is long in the tooth, very high valuations, and underwhelming quarterly results from the leaders of this bull market, consumer tech behemoths like Amazon, Google, and Apple.

Environmental Indexes were not immune to the selling, generally underperforming the broader markets. Greenchip's Global Equity Fund was also down, driven by our two largest allocations, solar and electrical components. Electrical components, in particular, accounted for more than half the loss. Indications of plateauing mobile phone and automotive markets and tempered guidance from semiconductor leaders such as Texas Instruments and AMD precipitated a broad-based sell off across the semiconductor and passive component sector. However, the companies we own have relatively small exposure to mobile devices and exposure to automotive and industrial end markets are driven more by greatly increased content per unit than by unit growth. Many of our companies reported in the final week of October and, contrary their aforementioned peers, beat expectations handily and continued to be optimistic about their near-term outlook. With valuations at rock-bottom levels, share prices rebounded strongly on the reports and, by our estimation, have plenty of room to run.

FUND PRICE (AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2018): \$14.30 (CLASS A), \$15.27 (CLASS F), \$17.40 (CLASS I)

MONTHLY FUND PERFORMANCE (GROSS)

NAV RETURN % (\$CAD)												YTD
Greenchip GEF	0.7	0.9	0.3	-2.8	3.5	-4.3	2.2	-1.5	-5.5	-3.9	 	-10.3%
MSCI World	3.1	0.1	-1.6	0.6	1.8	1.4	2.1	1.4	-0.3	-5.9	 	2.4%
Cleantech	3.4	0.2	-0.2	-1.7	3.9	-1.3	2.4	1.9	-3.1	-8.8	 	-3.8%

GROSS RETURNS

	GREENCHIP GEF	MSCI World	CLEANTECH
1 Month	-3.9%	-5.9%	-8.8%
3 Month	-10.5%	-4.9%	-9.9%
6 Month	-9.4%	0.2%	-5.4%
1 Year	-10.6%	3.1%	-7.7%
3 Year*	9.7%	8.0%	10.2%
5 Year*	10.1%	11.8%	10.4%
Since Inception*	6.8%	7.1%	3.4%
2017	31.9%	14.4%	20.9%
2016	4.1%	3.8%	8.1%
2015	18.0%	18.9%	21.8%
2014	6.9%	14.4%	-0.3%
2013	35.8%	35.2%	46.3%

^{*} annualized performance

GROWTH OF \$100 (GROSS)



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The investment objective of the Fund is to outperform the Morgan Stanley World Index over a full market cycle. The Fund invests in publicly listed companies located around the world that operate in our targeted environmental sectors and that we believe are trading at a discount to their future cash generation potential.

FUND FACTS

ASSET CLASS: Global Equity (Environmental Sectors)

BENCHMARK: MSCI World Index
FUND TYPE: Open end investment trust
QUALIFIED PURCHASER: Accredited Investor

MINIMUM INVESTMENT: \$250,000

RRSP ELIGIBLE: Yes

FUNDSERV CODES: Class A: eco 100

Class F: eco 200 Class I: eco 300 PURCHASE AND REDEMPTIONS: Last business day of each month

CUSTODIAN: RBC Investor Services **AUDITOR:** PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

LEGAL COUNSEL: WeirFoulds LLP

PERFORMANCE FEE: 10% of profits above a 6% hurdle

(payable only on redemption)

MANAGEMENT FEES: Class A: 1.5 %

Class F: 1.0 % Class I: Negotiable

PORTFOLIO SUMMARY

COMPANY NAME	REGION	Size	Sector	MARKET VALUE	WEIGHT
Canadian Solar	Asia	Mid	Energy	\$4,694,866	7.0%
Alstom	Europe	Large	Diversified	\$3,450,636	5.2%
Jinko Solar	Asia	Small	Energy	\$3,444,324	5.2%
Signify	Europe	Mid	Clean Tech	\$3,081,615	4.6%
Cosan	Brazil	Mid	Energy	\$2,851,064	4.3%
Energaies de Portugal	Europe	Mid	Energy	\$2,771,222	4.2%
ON Semiconductor	United States	Mid	Clean Tech	\$2,679,028	4.0%
Veolia Environmental	Europe	Large	Water	\$2,621,828	3.9%
Hitachi	Asia	Large	Diversified	\$2,417,156	3.6%
KSB	Europe	Mid	Water	\$2,357,693	3.5%
KEMET	United States	Mid	Clean Tech	\$2,289,256	3.4%
Vishay Intertechnology	United States	Mid	Clean Tech	\$2,283,084	3.4%
Siemens	Europe	Large	Diversified	\$2,267,226	3.4%
Enel SpA	Europe	Large	Energy	\$2,257,123	3.4%
Johnson Controls	United States	Large	Clean Tech	\$2,203,501	3.3%
SABESP	Other	Mid	Water	\$1,657,649	2.5%
AVX Corp	United States	Mid	Clean Tech	\$1,642,136	2.5%
Cascades	Canada	Mid	Food	\$1,585,650	2.4%
The Andersons	United States	Mid	Food	\$1,418,309	2.1%
First Solar	United States	Mid	Energy	\$1,372,345	2.1%
Other Equities	-	-	-	\$16,903,957	23.0%
Fixed Income	-	-	-	\$450,716	0.7%
Cash	-	-	-	\$4,352,975	6.5%
Total Value	-	-	-	\$66,677,063	100.0%





