

Evergreen

VA INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND

Annual Report
as of December 31, 2008



Evergreen InvestmentsSM
MUTUAL FUNDS

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This annual report must be preceded or accompanied by a prospectus of the Evergreen fund contained herein. The prospectus contains more complete information, including fees and expenses, and should be read carefully before investing or sending money.

The fund will file its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The fund's Form N-Q will be available on the SEC's Web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. In addition, the fund's Form N-Q may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 800.SEC.0330.

A description of the fund's proxy voting policies and procedures, as well as information regarding how the fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30, is available by visiting our Web site at EvergreenInvestments.com or by visiting the SEC's Web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. The fund's proxy voting policies and procedures are also available without charge, upon request, by calling 800.343.2898.

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LETTER TO SHAREHOLDERS

February 2009

Dear Shareholder:

We are pleased to provide the Annual Report for Evergreen VA International Equity Fund for the twelve-month period ended December 31, 2008 (the “period”).

After contracting in the fourth quarter of 2007, the U.S. economy made gains in the first half of 2008. These gains were largely due to strength in government spending and exports, powered higher by the weakening U.S. currency. At the same time, home prices continued to fall and job losses persisted. September 2008 marked a crucial event, when federal officials allowed for the collapse of Lehman Brothers, which history will likely judge as a colossal policy failure. The collateral damage from this event led to further collapse. Venerable financial institutions fell like dominos in the ensuing weeks as distrust prevailed and counter-party risk, whether real or imagined, escalated. Inter-bank lending ceased to exist, and the credit markets froze.

Consequently, officials at the Federal Reserve Board and U.S. Treasury increased their involvement, utilizing innovative measures to improve both liquidity and confidence. These efforts culminated with Congress’ approval of the \$700 billion Troubled Asset Relief Program (“TARP”). The program was initially intended to be used to purchase distressed mortgage-related securities, however, one month after TARP’s approval the Treasury decided against it. Not surprisingly, confidence at the consumer and investor levels was shaken further, and banks, despite the recapitalization efforts to revive their balance sheets, became both increasingly vigilant and militant relative to their lending policies. As a result, economic activity in the fourth quarter of 2008 was positioned to be among the weakest in history.

During this period of unprecedented events, portfolio managers of Evergreen’s Variable Annuity Funds continued to maintain strategies consistent with each fund’s goal and the asset class in which the fund invests. In addition to seeking ways to stave off losses that the prevailing markets presented, managers of equity-oriented portfolios tended to focus on long-term growth opportunities, while the professionals supervising fixed income portfolios sought total return and current income.



W. Douglas Munn
President and Chief
Executive Officer

In this challenging environment, we continue to emphasize fully diversified strategies for long-term investors in order to participate in market gains while limiting the potential for losses. Periods of economic weakness have previously been accompanied by increases in market volatility, allowing for active managers to typically outperform passive strategies. Therefore, we encourage investors to have appropriate equity exposure relative to capitalization, investment style and region for their diversified long-term portfolios.

Please visit us at **EvergreenInvestments.com** for more information about our funds and other investment products available to you. Thank you for your continued support of Evergreen Investments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "W. Douglas Munn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

W. Douglas Munn

President and Chief Executive Officer
Evergreen Funds

Notices to Shareholders:

- On December 31, 2008, Wachovia Corporation merged with and into Wells Fargo & Company (“Wells Fargo”). As a result of the merger, Evergreen Investment Management Company, LLC (“EIMC”), Tattersall Advisory Group, Inc., First International Advisors, LLC, Metropolitan West Capital Management, LLC, Evergreen Investment Services, Inc. and Evergreen Service Company, LLC, are subsidiaries of Wells Fargo.

After the merger, new interim advisory agreements between the Evergreen Funds and EIMC went into effect, as did new interim sub-advisory agreements with each sub-advisor to the Evergreen Funds. These interim agreements will be in effect until no later than March 19, 2009. Shareholders of the Evergreen Funds will meet on or around February 12, 2009 to consider definitive advisory and sub-advisory agreements for the Evergreen Funds, which would replace the interim agreements.

- Effective January 1, 2009, W. Douglas Munn became President and Chief Executive Officer of the Evergreen Funds.

FUND AT A GLANCE

as of December 31, 2008

MANAGEMENT TEAM

Investment Advisor:

Evergreen Investment Management Company, LLC

Portfolio Manager:

Francis X. Claro, CFA

PERFORMANCE AND RETURNS

Portfolio inception date: 8/17/1998

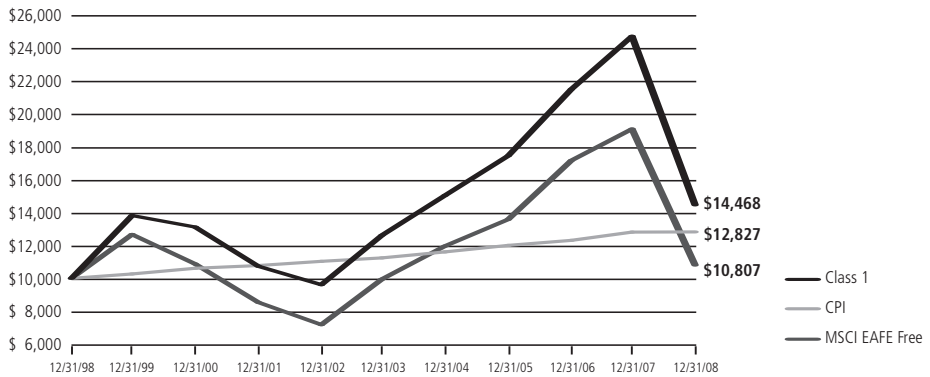
	Class 1 8/17/1998	Class 2 7/31/2002
Class inception date		
Average annual return		
1-year	-41.49%	-41.60%
5-year	2.76%	2.51%
10-year	3.76%	3.61%

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The performance quoted represents past performance and current performance may be lower or higher. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that investors' shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. To obtain performance information current to the most recent month-end, please call 1.800.321.9332. The performance of each class may vary based on differences in fees and expenses paid by the shareholders investing in each class. Performance includes the reinvestment of income dividends and capital gain distributions, but does not reflect contract, policy, or separate account charges assessed by participating insurance companies.

Historical performance shown for Class 2 prior to its inception is based on the performance of Class 1, the original class offered. The historical returns for Class 2 have not been adjusted to reflect the effect of the class' 12b-1 fee. The fund incurs a 12b-1 fee of 0.25% for Class 2. Class 1 does not pay a 12b-1 fee. If the fee had been reflected, returns for Class 2 would have been lower.

Returns reflect expense limits previously in effect, without which returns would have been lower.

LONG-TERM GROWTH



Comparison of a \$10,000 investment in the Evergreen VA International Equity Fund Class 1 shares versus a similar investment in the Morgan Stanley Capital International Europe, Australasia and Far East Free Index (MSCI EAFE Free) and the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

The **MSCI EAFE Free** is an unmanaged market index and does not include transaction costs associated with buying and selling securities, any mutual fund fees or expenses or any taxes. The **CPI** is a commonly used measure of inflation and does not represent an investment return. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

The fund's investment objective may be changed without a vote of the fund's shareholders.
 Foreign investments may contain more risk due to the inherent risks associated with changing political climates, foreign market instability and foreign currency fluctuations. Risks of international investing are magnified in emerging or developing markets.
 Funds that concentrate their investments in a limited number of countries may face increased risk of price fluctuation over more diversified funds due to adverse developments within those countries.
 Small and mid cap securities may be subject to special risks associated with narrower product lines and limited financial resources compared to their large cap counterparts, and, as a result, small and mid cap securities may decline significantly in market downturns and may be more volatile than those of larger companies due to the higher risk of failure.
 High yield, lower-rated bonds may contain more risk due to the increased possibility of default.
 All data is as of December 31, 2008, and subject to change.

PORTFOLIO MANAGER COMMENTARY

The fund's Class 1 shares returned -41.49% for the twelve-month period ended December 31, 2008. During the same period, the MSCI EAFE Free returned -43.38%.

The fund's objective is to seek long-term capital growth and secondarily, modest income.

Investment process

The market declines that had picked up steam in the first half of 2008 continued at a staggering pace during the second half of the year. Over the year, the major global equity indexes experienced falls in excess of 40% in U.S. dollar terms with the U.S. markets close behind while volatility was at extreme levels. The realization that what had started out as a domestic U.S. housing problem had spiraled into a global economic recession hit markets hard.

In such a weak climate, there was nowhere for equity investors to hide. All sectors and geographic regions in the major international developed, emerging and small cap indexes were heavily impacted by the fallout and suffered major losses. Financials and Materials were the weakest-performing sectors in the MSCI EAFE Index, largely reflecting the continuing impact of the financial industry crisis and the decline, late in the year, in commodity prices. Over the year, some of the world's weakest markets were in Europe, the bottom three being Ireland, Austria and Belgium with falls of between -66% and -71% in U.S. dollar terms.

During the course of the year, as the market difficulties unfolded, we made major changes to the portfolio. These changes were driven by a combination of top-down considerations at industry and country levels as well as by stock-specific influences. We switched the emphasis and weights in Financials significantly, in large part by reducing and eliminating exposure to banks that have large need for capital and moving toward companies with strong capital bases, such as insurers, and those with little capital needs, such as stock exchanges. By year end, we had opened an overweight in Financials. Telecommunication Services and Health Care also had meaningful but more modest increases. Industrials, Utilities, Consumer Discretionary and Information Technology saw the largest reductions. When viewed from a geographic perspective, the changes in the portfolio structure were more modest, with the largest increase in Japan, offset by the reduction in Europe and in Emerging Markets, which represented only a small weight by year end. Much of the increased weight in Japan reflected our view that domestic Japanese companies had been the relative safe haven in the recent turmoil as the yen had been strengthening. Within Europe, we had some rotation—with Switzerland and Belgium the larger increases, and Italy, Finland and France the bigger reductions.

Contributors to performance

Over the year, the portfolio return slightly outperformed the benchmark index, MSCI EAFE Free. Positive contributions came from a range of sectors. Stock outperformance in Financials and Consumer Discretionary helped both of those sectors in addition to being underweight to what were two of the weaker sectors. While we increased our weight in Financials later in the year, our underweight position over the year as a whole combined well with our specific industry emphasis. Among the better stocks were Munich Re-insurance and Experian, the U.K. company specializing in the provision of consumer credit information. In Consumer Discretionary, the better stocks included Sodexo, the French food facilities management company, and Vivendi, the French media, telecommunications and motion picture

distributor. In Health Care, Novartis and Roche, two dominant global pharmaceutical players, rewarded the overweight position we held, as both were among the year's better performers, given investors' search for quality and visibility of earnings. Materials had some bright spots, with our exposure to some gold-oriented companies proving positive. Examples included Barrick Gold, Goldcorp and Agnico-Eagle Mines. Our overweight to Rio Tinto early in the year combined with our late-year reduction in the stock also proved positive when BHP dropped its hostile bid for the company. Consumer Staples delivered on its expected outperformance in this environment, particularly in the later quarters, and our stocks exceeded the sectors' index return. Unilever, the Anglo Dutch leader in its area, benefited from announcing as its CEO designate, the widely respected head of Nestle in Europe. Many of the Japanese consumer names that we added in the third quarter, including Lawson, Uni-Charm and Asahi Breweries, were strong performers and significant contributors.

Geographically, Asia ex-Japan (through Australia and Hong Kong), the United Kingdom and Europe (mainly Switzerland, Germany and Belgium) were the notable regions, largely through superior stock performance.

In a year of significant negative returns in equity markets, elevated cash levels proved positive, as did the currency hedges that were put in place to guard against appreciation in the U.S. dollar mid-year.

Detractors from performance

Our underweights in Energy and Utilities, two of the stronger-performing sectors for the year, detracted from performance. In Energy, some of the bigger oil giants performed well despite the impact of falling prices, as investors were attracted to companies with better cash flows. Additionally, Technip, the French oil services company, weakened as the sharp fall in oil prices put pressure on exploration expenditure and plans. In Utilities, France's GDF Suez—which resulted from a merger between GDF and Suez during the year—also detracted from results. Among other disappointing holdings were Carrefour, where the major institutional investors ousted the company's CEO; Vodafone Group, where we were underweight; and Adidas, a strong performer in prior periods.

This commentary reflects the views and opinions of the fund's portfolio manager(s) on the date indicated and may include statements that constitute "forward-looking statements" under the U.S. Securities laws. Forward-looking statements include, among other things, projections, estimates, and information about possible or future results related to the fund, markets, or regulatory developments. The views expressed above are not guarantees of future performance or economic results and involve certain risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that could cause actual outcomes and results to differ materially from the views expressed herein. The views expressed above are subject to change at any time based upon economic, market, or other conditions and Evergreen undertakes no obligation to update the views expressed herein. Any discussions of specific securities should not be considered a recommendation to buy or sell those securities. The views expressed herein (including any forward-looking statements) may not be relied upon as investment advice or as an indication of the fund's trading intent.

You should carefully consider the fund's investment objectives, policies, risks, charges and expenses before investing. To obtain a prospectus, which contains this and other important information visit www.EvergreenInvestments.com or call 1.800.847.5397. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.

ABOUT YOUR FUND'S EXPENSES

The Example below is intended to describe the fees and expenses borne by shareholders and the impact of those costs on your investment.

Example

As a shareholder of the fund, you incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs, including sales charges (loads), redemption fees and exchange fees; and (2) ongoing costs, including management fees, distribution (12b-1) fees and other fund expenses. This Example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the fund 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 entire period from July 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008.

The example illustrates your fund's costs in two ways:

- **Actual expenses**

The section in the table under the heading "Actual" provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in these columns, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the appropriate column for your share class, in the column entitled "Expenses Paid During Period" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this period.

- **Hypothetical example for comparison purposes**

The section in the table under the heading "Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)" provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the fund's actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the fund's actual return. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the fund and other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional costs, such as sales charges (loads), redemption fees, exchange fees or separate account charges assessed by participating insurance companies. Therefore, the section in the table under the heading "Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)" is useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. In addition, if these transactional costs were included, your costs would have been higher.

	Beginning Account Value 7/1/2008	Ending Account Value 12/31/2008	Expenses Paid During Period*
Actual			
Class 1	\$1,000.00	\$ 658.67	\$ 3.00
Class 2	\$1,000.00	\$ 658.62	\$ 4.09
Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)			
Class 1	\$1,000.00	\$1,021.52	\$ 3.66
Class 2	\$1,000.00	\$1,020.21	\$ 4.98

* For each class of the fund, expenses are equal to the annualized expense ratio of each class (0.72% for Class 1 and 0.98% for Class 2), multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184 / 366 days.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(For a share outstanding throughout each period)

Year Ended December 31,

CLASS 1	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 16.84	\$ 16.18	\$ 14.31	\$ 12.62	\$ 10.71
Income from investment operations					
Net investment income (loss)	0.41 ¹	0.34	0.37	0.19	0.10
Net realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments	(7.26)	2.09	2.90	1.82	1.95
Total from investment operations	(6.85)	2.43	3.27	2.01	2.05
Distributions to shareholders from					
Net investment income	0	(0.41)	(0.58)	(0.32)	(0.14)
Net realized gains	(0.38)	(1.36)	(0.82)	0	0
Total distributions to shareholders	(0.38)	(1.77)	(1.40)	(0.32)	(0.14)
Net asset value, end of period	\$ 9.61	\$ 16.84	\$ 16.18	\$ 14.31	\$ 12.62
Total return²	(41.49)%	15.00%	23.16%	16.00%	19.21%
Ratios and supplemental data					
Net assets, end of period (thousands)	\$ 71,286	\$ 190,766	\$ 175,518	\$ 140,564	\$ 96,614
Ratios to average net assets					
Expenses including waivers/reimbursements but excluding expense reductions	0.67%	0.63%	0.68%	0.77%	0.96%
Expenses excluding waivers/reimbursements and expense reductions	0.67%	0.63%	0.68%	0.77%	0.96%
Net investment income (loss)	3.02%	2.01%	2.53%	1.64%	0.98%
Portfolio turnover rate	127%	58%	74%	61%	65%

¹ Net investment income (loss) per share is based on average shares outstanding during the period.

² Total return does not reflect charges attributable to your insurance company's separate account.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(For a share outstanding throughout each period)

Year Ended December 31,

CLASS 2	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 16.77	\$ 16.12	\$ 14.26	\$ 12.59	\$ 10.70
Income from investment operations					
Net investment income (loss)	0.37 ¹	0.29	0.34	0.14	0.09
Net realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments	(7.21)	2.09	2.88	1.83	1.92
Total from investment operations	(6.84)	2.38	3.22	1.97	2.01
Distributions to shareholders from					
Net investment income	0	(0.37)	(0.54)	(0.30)	(0.12)
Net realized gains	(0.38)	(1.36)	(0.82)	0	0
Total distributions to shareholders	(0.38)	(1.73)	(1.36)	(0.30)	(0.12)
Net asset value, end of period	\$ 9.55	\$ 16.77	\$ 16.12	\$ 14.26	\$ 12.59
Total return²	(41.60)%	14.73%	22.89%	15.67%	18.84%
Ratios and supplemental data					
Net assets, end of period (thousands)	\$ 56,692	\$ 118,843	\$ 109,836	\$ 71,849	\$ 25,451
Ratios to average net assets					
Expenses including waivers/reimbursements but excluding expense reductions	0.92%	0.88%	0.93%	1.01%	1.21%
Expenses excluding waivers/reimbursements and expense reductions	0.92%	0.88%	0.93%	1.01%	1.21%
Net investment income (loss)	2.74%	1.75%	2.28%	1.22%	0.70%
Portfolio turnover rate	127%	58%	74%	61%	65%

¹ Net investment income (loss) per share is based on average shares outstanding during the period.

² Total return does not reflect charges attributable to your insurance company's separate account.

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

December 31, 2008

	Country	Shares	Value
COMMON STOCKS 92.4%			
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY 8.0%			
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 3.1%			
Compass Group plc	United Kingdom	282,965	\$ 1,404,190
Sodexo SA ρ	France	47,173	2,610,554
			<u>4,014,744</u>
Media 2.8%			
Toho Co., Ltd. ρ	Japan	39,200	841,053
Vivendi SA	France	83,329	2,712,997
			<u>3,554,050</u>
Multiline Retail 0.5%			
PPR SA ρ	France	9,249	604,198
Specialty Retail 1.3%			
Fast Retailing Co., Ltd.	Japan	100	14,574
Hennes & Mauritz AB, Class B ρ	Sweden	21,793	851,584
Inditex SA	Spain	17,380	768,219
			<u>1,634,377</u>
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods 0.3%			
adidas AG	Germany	9,932	381,987
CONSUMER STAPLES 13.5%			
Beverages 1.9%			
Asahi Breweries, Ltd. ρ	Japan	30,700	528,331
Carlsberg AS	Denmark	1,947	63,922
Diageo plc	United Kingdom	45,509	633,054
Heineken NV	Netherlands	18,267	561,228
Pernod Ricard SA	France	7,806	578,856
			<u>2,365,391</u>
Food & Staples Retailing 4.6%			
Carrefour SA ρ	France	2,971	114,095
FamilyMart Co., Ltd.	Japan	20,600	894,899
Lawson, Inc.	Japan	26,000	1,499,474
Seven & I Holdings Co., Ltd. ρ	Japan	32,102	1,099,806
Sugi Holdings Co., Ltd. ρ	Japan	44,300	1,181,673
Tesco plc	United Kingdom	200,231	1,043,186
			<u>5,833,133</u>
Food Products 3.7%			
Chocoladefabriken Lindt & Sprungli AG ρ	Switzerland	66	122,582
Lotte Confectionery Co., Ltd.	South Korea	393	410,886
Nestle SA	Switzerland	46,138	1,818,417
Unilever NV	Netherlands	100,174	2,427,228
			<u>4,779,113</u>

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	Country	Shares	Value
COMMON STOCKS <small>continued</small>			
CONSUMER STAPLES <small>continued</small>			
Household Products 0.7%			
Uni-Charm Corp.	Japan	11,800	\$ 891,921
Personal Products 1.1%			
Shiseido Co., Ltd. ρ	Japan	71,000	1,453,438
Tobacco 1.5%			
Imperial Tobacco Group plc	United Kingdom	58,890	1,573,136
Japan Tobacco, Inc.	Japan	52	172,193
Swedish Match AB	Sweden	15,878	227,295
			<u>1,972,624</u>
ENERGY 4.9%			
Energy Equipment & Services 0.4%			
Technip SA	France	17,624	539,930
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 4.5%			
BG Group plc	United Kingdom	29,026	402,990
BP plc	United Kingdom	184,333	1,412,412
ENI SpA	Italy	9,342	221,367
Royal Dutch Shell plc, Class A	United Kingdom	52,423	1,370,354
Total SA	France	30,137	1,642,999
Woodside Petroleum, Ltd.	Australia	27,059	698,319
			<u>5,748,441</u>
FINANCIALS 25.1%			
Capital Markets 1.2%			
Credit Suisse Group AG	Switzerland	30,110	825,292
UBS AG *	Switzerland	47,365	686,973
			<u>1,512,265</u>
Commercial Banks 5.0%			
Banco Santander SA	Spain	23,678	228,519
Barclays plc	United Kingdom	60,840	137,159
BNP Paribas SA ρ	France	20,114	849,342
Credit Agricole SA	France	25,961	295,241
DBS Group Holdings, Ltd. ρ □	Singapore	62,000	367,799
DnB NOR ASA	Norway	114,091	455,749
Greek Postal Savings Bank SA	Greece	7,089	55,410
HSBC Holdings plc – London Exchange	United Kingdom	105,019	1,005,161
KBC Group NV	Belgium	13,965	421,809
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc. ρ	Japan	62,300	386,567
Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. ρ □	Japan	83	240,227
National Bank of Greece SA	Greece	20,620	381,887
Standard Chartered plc	United Kingdom	55,216	705,843
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. ρ □	Japan	31	125,116
Svenska Handelsbanken, Ser. A	United Kingdom	42,012	683,823
			<u>6,339,652</u>

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	Country	Shares	Value
COMMON STOCKS <small>continued</small>			
FINANCIALS <small>continued</small>			
Diversified Financial Services 7.0%			
ASX, Ltd. ρ	Australia	80,931	\$ 1,889,812
Bolsas y Mercados Espanoles SA ρ	Spain	14,727	385,607
Compagnie Nationale a Portefeuille	Belgium	5,308	258,106
Criteria Caixa Corp. SA ρ	Spain	141,111	555,184
Deutsche Boerse AG	Germany	32,773	2,386,933
Groupe Bruxelles Lambert SA	Belgium	20,105	1,599,916
Hellenic Exchanges Holding SA	Greece	73,960	582,293
ING Groep NV	Netherlands	56,318	588,702
Pargesa Holdings SA	Switzerland	11,643	778,429
			9,024,982
Insurance 11.7%			
Allianz SE	Germany	7,094	760,889
Amlin plc	United Kingdom	81,622	424,488
AMP, Ltd. ρ	Australia	112,321	426,997
AXA SA	France	43,123	961,414
CNP Assurances	France	8,554	618,950
Muenchener Rueckversicherungs-Gesellschaft AG	Germany	20,738	3,258,914
QBE Insurance Group, Ltd. ρ	Australia	81,086	1,473,948
RenaissanceRe Holdings, Ltd. ρ	Bermuda	4,941	254,758
Sampo Oyj, Class A	Finland	59,809	1,117,127
Scor SE	France	14,827	340,877
Sompo Japan Insurance, Inc. ρ	Japan	202,900	1,485,863
T&D Holdings, Inc.	Japan	30,800	1,291,457
Zurich Financial Services AG	Switzerland	11,678	2,535,007
			14,950,689
Real Estate Management & Development 0.2%			
IRSA Inversiones y Representaciones SA, GDR *	Argentina	70,284	309,249
HEALTH CARE 8.3%			
Health Care Equipment & Supplies 1.6%			
Grifols SA	Spain	55,354	961,412
Synthes, Inc.	United States	8,467	1,070,281
			2,031,693
Life Sciences Tools & Services 1.4%			
Lonza Group AG ρ	Switzerland	19,203	1,775,221
Pharmaceuticals 5.3%			
AstraZeneca plc	United Kingdom	19,465	788,695
Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.	Japan	25,000	594,240
Merck KGaA	Germany	5,349	486,318
Novartis AG	Switzerland	21,781	1,091,326
Novo Nordisk AS	Denmark	12,336	627,771

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December 31, 2008

	Country	Shares	Value
COMMON STOCKS continued			
HEALTH CARE continued			
Pharmaceuticals continued			
Roche Holding AG	Switzerland	14,154	\$ 2,178,778
Shionogi & Co., Ltd.	Japan	22,300	572,775
Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd., ADR ρ	Israel	11,046	470,228
			<u>6,810,131</u>
INDUSTRIALS 9.7%			
Aerospace & Defense 2.1%			
BAE Systems plc	United Kingdom	177,378	966,755
Finmeccanica SpA	Italy	87,544	1,341,055
Thales SA	France	8,599	358,847
			<u>2,666,657</u>
Construction & Engineering 0.2%			
Bilfinger Berger AG	Germany	3,799	200,984
Electrical Equipment 2.6%			
ABB, Ltd.	Switzerland	21,664	326,568
Alstom SA	France	17,281	1,020,492
Mitsubishi Electric Corp.	Japan	82,000	513,131
Vestas Wind Systems AS *	Denmark	20,149	1,197,533
Yingli Green Energy Holding Co., Ltd. ADR * ρ	Cayman Islands	52,186	318,335
			<u>3,376,059</u>
Industrial Conglomerates 1.5%			
Siemens AG	Germany	13,357	1,000,446
Smiths Group plc	United Kingdom	74,029	953,136
			<u>1,953,582</u>
Machinery 0.4%			
MAN AG	Germany	9,153	504,811
Professional Services 2.2%			
Experian plc	United Kingdom	314,554	1,969,872
Intertek Group plc	United Kingdom	11,543	130,750
SGS SA	Switzerland	702	734,950
			<u>2,835,572</u>
Road & Rail 0.7%			
Central Japan Railway Co.	Japan	35	302,500
East Japan Railway Co. \square	Japan	76	602,246
			<u>904,746</u>
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY 3.5%			
Communications Equipment 0.2%			
Research In Motion, Ltd. *	Canada	5,628	228,384

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS continued

December 31, 2008

	Country	Shares	Value
COMMON STOCKS continued			
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY continued			
Internet Software & Services 1.2%			
Baidu.com, Inc., ADR * ρ	Cayman Islands	9,119	\$ 1,190,668
SINA Corp. * ρ	Cayman Islands	13,120	303,728
			<u>1,494,396</u>
Office Electronics 1.2%			
Canon, Inc.	Japan	9,800	307,637
Neopost ρ	France	13,055	1,181,653
			<u>1,489,290</u>
Software 0.9%			
Nintendo Co., Ltd.	Japan	1,700	653,131
Square Enix Co., Ltd. ρ	Japan	17,300	558,495
			<u>1,211,626</u>
MATERIALS 5.0%			
Chemicals 0.7%			
Akzo Nobel NV	Netherlands	4,017	165,650
BASF SE	Germany	8,881	350,929
Potash Corp. of Saskatchewan, Inc., ADR	Canada	5,660	414,425
			<u>931,004</u>
Containers & Packaging 1.1%			
Rexam plc	United Kingdom	279,101	1,425,496
Metals & Mining 3.2%			
Agnico-Eagle Mines, Ltd. ρ	Canada	14,392	738,741
Anglo American plc	United Kingdom	5,467	124,875
Barrick Gold Corp.	Canada	31,234	1,148,474
BHP Billiton plc	United Kingdom	22,167	417,557
Centennial Coal Co., Ltd.	Australia	150,625	352,419
Goldcorp, Inc., Class A	Canada	26,166	813,700
Newcrest Mining, Ltd.	Australia	11,907	282,399
Randgold Resources, Ltd., ADR ρ	Channel Islands	4,066	178,579
			<u>4,056,744</u>
TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES 12.9%			
Diversified Telecommunication Services 12.9%			
Belgacom SA ρ	Belgium	36,685	1,399,309
Deutsche Telekom AG	Germany	238,893	3,629,636
France Telecom	France	78,450	2,194,338
Hellenic Telecommunications Organization SA	Greece	150,455	2,502,885
Koninklijke KPN NV	Netherlands	164,846	2,390,408
Swisscom AG	Switzerland	6,707	2,165,239
Telefonica SA	Spain	102,338	2,293,954
			<u>16,575,769</u>

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS continued

December 31, 2008

	Country	Shares	Value
COMMON STOCKS <small>continued</small>			
UTILITIES 1.5%			
Electric Utilities 1.0%			
Electricite de France SA ρ	France	14,998	\$ 871,697
Endesa SA ρ	Spain	10,965	442,959
			<u>1,314,656</u>
Multi-Utilities 0.5%			
GDF Suez SA ρ	France	2,336	115,695
RWE AG	Germany	4,799	431,414
			<u>547,109</u>
<i>Total Common Stocks (cost \$124,817,597)</i>			<u>118,244,114</u>
PREFERRED STOCKS 2.8%			
HEALTH CARE 2.8%			
Health Care Equipment & Supplies 2.8%			
Fresenius AG, Var. Rate Pfd. (cost \$2,895,352)	Germany	60,461	3,542,872
RIGHTS 0.1%			
FINANCIALS 0.1%			
Commercial Banks 0.1%			
DBS Group Holdings, Ltd. *	Singapore	31,000	64,550
INDUSTRIALS 0.0%			
Industrial Conglomerates 0.0%			
GP Bruxelles Lambert *	Belgium	2,043	25
<i>Total Rights (cost \$0)</i>			<u>64,575</u>
SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS 20.3%			
MUTUAL FUND SHARES 20.3%			
Evergreen Institutional U.S. Government Money Market Fund, Class I, 0.85% q ø	United States	4,381,545	4,381,545
State Street Navigator Securities Lending Prime Portfolio, 2.14% § pp	United States	21,684,001	21,684,001
<i>Total Short-Term Investments (cost \$26,065,546)</i>			<u>26,065,546</u>
Total Investments (cost \$153,778,495) 115.6%			<u>147,917,107</u>
Other Assets and Liabilities (15.6%)			<u>(19,939,394)</u>
Net Assets 100.0%			<u>\$ 127,977,713</u>

ρ All or a portion of this security is on loan.

* Non-income producing security

□ Security is valued at fair value as determined by the investment advisor in good faith, according to procedures approved by the Board of Trustees.

q Rate shown is the 7-day annualized yield at period end.

ø Evergreen Investment Management Company, LLC is the investment advisor to both the Fund and the money market fund.

§ Rate shown is the 1-day annualized yield at period end.

pp All or a portion of this security represents investment of cash collateral received from securities on loan.

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS continued

December 31, 2008

Summary of Abbreviations

ADR American Depository Receipt
GDR Global Depository Receipt

The following table shows the percent of total long-term investments by geographic location as of December 31, 2008:

France	14.5%
United Kingdom	14.4%
Germany	13.9%
Japan	13.3%
Switzerland	12.3%
Netherlands	5.0%
Spain	4.6%
Australia	4.2%
Belgium	3.0%
Greece	2.9%
Canada	2.7%
Denmark	1.6%
Cayman Islands	1.5%
Italy	1.3%
Finland	0.9%
Sweden	0.9%
United States	0.9%
Israel	0.4%
Norway	0.4%
Singapore	0.4%
Argentina	0.3%
South Korea	0.3%
Bermuda	0.2%
Channel Islands	0.1%
	<u>100.0%</u>

The following table shows the percent of total long-term investments by sector as of December 31, 2008:

Financials	26.4%
Consumer Staples	14.2%
Telecommunication Services	13.6%
Health Care	11.6%
Industrials	10.2%
Consumer Discretionary	8.4%
Materials	5.3%
Energy	5.2%
Information Technology	3.6%
Utilities	1.5%
	<u>100.0%</u>

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

December 31, 2008

Assets	
Investments in securities, at value (cost \$149,396,950) including \$20,693,162 of securities loaned	\$ 143,535,562
Investments in affiliated money market fund, at value (cost \$4,381,545)	4,381,545
Total investments	147,917,107
Foreign currency, at value (cost \$1,866,708)	1,843,966
Receivable for Fund shares sold	213,470
Dividends receivable	95,921
Receivable for securities lending income	21,845
Unrealized gains on forward foreign currency exchange contracts	4,405,797
Total assets	154,498,106
Liabilities	
Payable for securities purchased	1,600,399
Payable for Fund shares redeemed	67,119
Unrealized losses on forward foreign currency exchange contracts	3,134,607
Payable for securities on loan	21,684,001
Advisory fee payable	3,212
Distribution Plan expenses payable	777
Due to other related parties	835
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	29,443
Total liabilities	26,520,393
Net assets	\$ 127,977,713
Net assets represented by	
Paid-in capital	\$ 175,120,783
Undistributed net investment income	4,450,591
Accumulated net realized losses on investments	(46,981,386)
Net unrealized losses on investments	(4,612,275)
Total net assets	\$ 127,977,713
Net assets consists of	
Class 1	\$ 71,285,662
Class 2	56,692,051
Total net assets	\$ 127,977,713
Shares outstanding (unlimited number of shares authorized)	
Class 1	7,414,501
Class 2	5,938,075
Net asset value per share	
Class 1	\$ 9.61
Class 2	\$ 9.55

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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended December 31, 2008

Investment income	
Dividends (net of foreign withholding taxes of \$804,435)	\$ 7,303,213
Securities lending	487,608
Income from affiliate	73,212
Total investment income	7,864,033
Expenses	
Advisory fee	889,720
Distribution Plan expenses	220,170
Administrative services fee	214,012
Transfer agent fees	515
Trustees' fees and expenses	9,663
Printing and postage expenses	50,171
Custodian and accounting fees	212,969
Professional fees	40,551
Interest expense	3,754
Other	5,600
Total expenses	1,647,125
Less: Expense reductions	(2,140)
Fee waivers	(61)
Net expenses	1,644,924
Net investment income	6,219,109
Net realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments	
Net realized losses on:	
Securities	(41,639,542)
Foreign currency related transactions	(278,871)
Net realized losses on investments	(41,918,413)
Net change in unrealized gains or losses on investments	(73,102,436)
Net realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments	(115,020,849)
Net decrease in net assets resulting from operations	\$ (108,801,740)

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STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2008		2007	
Operations				
Net investment income	\$	6,219,109	\$	5,804,579
Net realized gains or losses on investments		(41,918,413)		29,664,295
Net change in unrealized gains or losses on investments		(73,102,436)		5,943,182
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations		(108,801,740)		41,412,056
Distributions to shareholders from				
Net investment income				
Class 1		0		(4,622,240)
Class 2		0		(2,573,315)
Net realized gains				
Class 1		(3,810,663)		(14,087,925)
Class 2		(2,603,551)		(8,906,523)
Total distributions to shareholders		(6,414,214)		(30,190,003)
		Shares		Shares
Capital share transactions				
Proceeds from shares sold				
Class 1	1,417,714	18,686,503	3,331,563	57,955,062
Class 2	323,055	4,244,648	440,157	7,767,480
		22,931,151		65,722,542
Net asset value of shares issued in reinvestment of distributions				
Class 1	253,032	3,810,663	1,084,893	18,710,165
Class 2	173,802	2,603,551	669,685	11,479,838
		6,414,214		30,190,003
Payment for shares redeemed				
Class 1	(5,581,909)	(74,139,190)	(3,939,378)	(68,339,717)
Class 2	(1,645,470)	(21,621,733)	(837,953)	(14,539,550)
		(95,760,923)		(82,879,267)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from capital share transactions		(66,415,558)		13,033,278
Total increase (decrease) in net assets		(181,631,512)		24,255,331
Net assets				
Beginning of period		309,609,225		285,353,894
End of period	\$	127,977,713	\$	309,609,225
Undistributed net investment income	\$	4,450,591	\$	47,577

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ORGANIZATION

Evergreen VA International Equity Fund (the “Fund”) is a diversified series of Evergreen Variable Annuity Trust (the “Trust”), a Delaware statutory trust organized on December 23, 1997. The Trust is an open-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”). Shares of the Fund may only be purchased by insurance companies for the purpose of funding variable annuity contracts or variable life insurance policies.

The Fund offers Class 1 and Class 2 shares at net asset value without a front-end sales charge or contingent deferred sales charge. Class 2 shares pay an ongoing distribution fee.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements. The policies are in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America, which require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported herein. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

a. Valuation of investments

Listed equity securities are usually valued at the last sales price or official closing price on the national securities exchange where the securities are principally traded.

Foreign securities traded on an established exchange are valued at the last sales price on the exchange where the security is primarily traded. If there has been no sale, the securities are valued at the mean between bid and asked prices. Foreign securities may be valued at fair value according to procedures approved by the Board of Trustees if the closing price is not reflective of current market values due to trading or events occurring in the foreign markets between the close of the established exchange and the valuation time of the Fund. In addition, substantial changes in values in the U.S. markets subsequent to the close of a foreign market may also affect the values of securities traded in the foreign market. The value of foreign securities may be adjusted if such movements in the U.S. market exceed a specified threshold.

Investments in open-end mutual funds are valued at net asset value. Securities for which market quotations are not readily available or not reflective of current market value are valued at fair value as determined by the investment advisor in good faith, according to procedures approved by the Board of Trustees.

b. Foreign currency translation

All assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollar amounts at the date of valuation. Purchases and sales of portfolio securities and income items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollar amounts on the respective dates of such transactions. The Fund does not separately account for that portion of the results of operations resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates on

investments and the fluctuations arising from changes in market prices of securities held. Such fluctuations are included with the net realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments.

c. Forward foreign currency contracts

A forward foreign currency contract is an agreement between two parties to purchase or sell a specific currency for an agreed-upon price at a future date. The Fund enters into forward foreign currency contracts to facilitate transactions in foreign-denominated securities and to attempt to minimize the risk to the Fund from adverse changes in the relationship between currencies. Forward foreign currency contracts are recorded at the forward rate and marked-to-market daily. When the contracts are closed, realized gains and losses arising from such transactions are recorded as realized gains or losses on foreign currency related transactions. The Fund could be exposed to risks if the counterparties to the contracts are unable to meet the terms of their contracts or if the value of the foreign currency changes unfavorably.

d. Securities lending

The Fund may lend its securities to certain qualified brokers in order to earn additional income. The Fund receives compensation in the form of fees or interest earned on the investment of any cash collateral received. The Fund also continues to receive interest and dividends on the securities loaned. The Fund receives collateral in the form of cash or securities with a market value at least equal to the market value of the securities on loan. In the event of default or bankruptcy by the borrower, the Fund could experience delays and costs in recovering the loaned securities or in gaining access to the collateral. The Fund has the right under the lending agreement to recover the securities from the borrower on demand.

e. Security transactions and investment income

Security transactions are recorded on trade date. Realized gains and losses are computed using the specific cost of the security sold. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date or in the case of some foreign securities, on the date when the Fund is made aware of the dividend. Foreign income and capital gains realized on some securities may be subject to foreign taxes, which are accrued as applicable.

f. Federal and other taxes

The Fund intends to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company and distribute all of its taxable income, including any net capital gains (which have already been offset by available capital loss carryovers). Accordingly, no provision for federal taxes is required. The Fund has adopted the provisions of FASB Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes* ("FIN 48") which prescribes a minimum threshold for financial statement recognition of the benefit of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The Fund's financial statements have not been impacted by the adoption of FIN 48. The Fund's income and excise tax returns and all

financial records supporting those returns for the prior three fiscal years are subject to examination by the federal, Massachusetts and Delaware revenue authorities.

g. Distributions

Distributions to shareholders from net investment income and net realized gains, if any, are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Such distributions are determined in conformity with income tax regulations, which may differ from generally accepted accounting principles.

Reclassifications have been made to the Fund's components of net assets to reflect income and gains available for distribution (or available capital loss carryovers, as applicable) under income tax regulations. The primary permanent differences causing such reclassifications are due to net realized foreign currency gains or losses and passive foreign investment companies. During the year ended December 31, 2008, the following amounts were reclassified:

Undistributed net investment income	\$(1,816,095)
Accumulated net realized losses on investments	1,816,095

h. Class allocations

Income, common expenses and realized and unrealized gains and losses are allocated to the classes based on the relative net assets of each class. Distribution fees, if any, are calculated daily at the class level based on the appropriate net assets of each class and the specific expense rates applicable to each class.

3. ADVISORY FEE AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES

Evergreen Investment Management Company, LLC ("EIMC"), an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Wells Fargo & Company ("Wells Fargo"), is the investment advisor to the Fund and is paid an annual fee starting at 0.66% and declining to 0.36% as the aggregate average daily net assets of the Fund and its retail counterpart, Evergreen International Equity Fund, increase. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the advisory fee was equivalent to an annual rate of 0.42% of the Fund's average daily net assets.

On October 3, 2008, Wells Fargo and Wachovia Corporation ("Wachovia") announced that Wells Fargo agreed to acquire Wachovia in a whole company transaction that will include all of Wachovia's banking and other businesses. In connection with this transaction, Wachovia issued preferred shares to Wells Fargo representing approximately a 40% voting interest in Wachovia. Due to its ownership of preferred shares, Wells Fargo may be deemed to control EIMC. If Wells Fargo is deemed to control EIMC, then the existing advisory agreement between the Fund and EIMC would have terminated automatically in connection with the issuance of preferred shares. To address this possibility, on October 20, 2008 the Board of Trustees approved an interim advisory agreement with EIMC with the same terms and conditions as the existing agreement which became effective upon the issuance of the preferred shares. EIMC's receipt of the advisory fees under the interim

advisory agreement is subject to the approval by shareholders of the Fund of a new advisory agreement with EIMC.

On December 31, 2008, Wachovia merged with and into Wells Fargo and as a result of the merger, EIMC, Evergreen Investment Services, Inc. (“EIS”) and Evergreen Service Company, LLC (“ESC”) became subsidiaries of Wells Fargo. After the merger, a new interim advisory agreement with the same terms and conditions between the Fund and EIMC went into effect.

From time to time, EIMC may voluntarily or contractually waive its fee and/or reimburse expenses in order to limit operating expenses. During the year ended December 31, 2008, EIMC voluntarily waived its advisory fee in the amount of \$61.

The Fund may invest in money market funds which are advised by EIMC. Income earned on these investments is included in income from affiliate on the Statement of Operations.

EIMC also serves as the administrator to the Fund providing the Fund with facilities, equipment and personnel. EIMC is paid an annual rate determined by applying percentage rates to the aggregate average daily net assets of the Evergreen funds (excluding money market funds) starting at 0.10% and declining to 0.05% as the aggregate average daily net assets of the Evergreen funds (excluding money market funds) increase. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the administrative services fee was equivalent to an annual rate of 0.10% of the Fund’s average daily net assets.

ESC, an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Wells Fargo, is the transfer and dividend disbursing agent for the Fund. ESC receives account fees that vary based on the type of account held by the shareholders in the Fund.

4. DISTRIBUTION PLAN

EIS, an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Wells Fargo, serves as distributor of the Fund’s shares. The Fund has adopted a Distribution Plan, as allowed by Rule 12b-1 of the 1940 Act, for Class 2 shares. Under the Distribution Plan, distribution fees are paid at an annual rate of 0.25% of the average daily net assets for Class 2 shares.

5. INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS

Cost of purchases and proceeds from sales of investment securities (excluding short-term securities) were \$267,443,285 and \$337,166,259, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2008.

On January 1, 2008 the Fund implemented Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (“FAS 157”). FAS 157 establishes a single authoritative definition of fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. FAS 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy based

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upon the various inputs used in determining the value of the Fund's investments. These inputs are summarized into three broad levels as follows:

- 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 the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The inputs or methodologies used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

As of December 31, 2008, the inputs used in valuing the Fund's assets, which are carried at fair value, were as follows:

Valuation Inputs	Investments in Securities	Other Financial Instruments*
Level 1 – Quoted Prices	\$ 32,434,817	\$ 0
Level 2 – Other Significant Observable Inputs	115,482,290	1,271,190
Level 3 – Significant Unobservable Inputs	0	0
Total	\$147,917,107	\$1,271,190

* Other financial instruments include forwards.

On December 31, 2008, the aggregate cost of securities for federal income tax purposes was \$160,578,891. The gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation on securities based on tax cost was \$9,793,269 and \$22,455,053, respectively, with a net unrealized depreciation of \$12,661,784.

At December 31, 2008, the Fund had forward foreign currency exchange contracts outstanding as follows:

Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts to Buy:

Exchange Date	Contracts to Receive	U.S. Value at December 31, 2008	In Exchange for U.S. \$	Unrealized Gain (Loss)
1/6/2009	14,402,000 EUR	\$ 20,018,586	\$ 18,424,479	\$ 1,594,107
1/6/2009	4,560,000 GBP	6,555,957	7,307,856	(751,899)
1/28/2009	6,520,000 DKK	1,215,355	1,109,032	106,323
1/28/2009	140,800 DKK	26,246	23,997	2,249
1/28/2009	563,200 DKK	104,983	97,617	7,366
1/29/2009	2,300,000 AUD	1,599,246	1,526,165	73,081
1/29/2009	346,600 AUD	241,000	221,997	19,003
1/29/2009	1,386,400 AUD	963,998	915,024	48,974
1/29/2009	2,650,000 NOK	377,762	381,268	(3,506)
1/29/2009	729,800 NOK	104,034	103,577	457
1/29/2009	2,919,200 NOK	416,137	410,144	5,993
1/29/2009	5,520,000 SEK	697,707	698,469	(762)
1/29/2009	185,400 SEK	23,434	22,647	787
1/29/2009	741,600 SEK	93,735	92,737	998
2/4/2009	558,000 EUR	774,600	723,335	51,265

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Exchange Date	Contracts to Receive	U.S. Value at December 31, 2008	In Exchange for U.S. \$	Unrealized Gain (Loss)
2/4/2009	1,920,000 EUR	\$ 2,665,291	\$ 2,435,520	\$ 229,771
2/4/2009	1,720,000 EUR	2,387,655	2,160,578	227,077
2/4/2009	1,162,000 EUR	1,613,056	1,477,367	135,689
2/4/2009	1,162,000 EUR	1,613,056	1,475,450	137,606
2/4/2009	348,000 EUR	483,084	449,581	33,503
2/4/2009	348,000 EUR	483,084	449,842	33,242
2/4/2009	1,116,000 EUR	1,549,200	1,476,468	72,732
2/4/2009	1,116,000 EUR	1,549,200	1,477,472	71,728
2/4/2009	871,000 GBP	1,251,227	1,316,673	(65,446)
2/4/2009	522,800 GBP	751,023	780,242	(29,219)
2/4/2009	418,240 GBP	600,819	616,235	(15,416)
2/4/2009	557,960 GBP	801,532	830,300	(28,768)
2/4/2009	1,115,000 GBP	1,601,743	1,656,723	(54,980)

Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts to Sell:

Exchange Date	Contracts to Deliver	U.S. Value at December 31, 2008	In Exchange for U.S. \$	Unrealized Gain (Loss)
01/06/2009	3,565,000 EUR	\$ 4,955,302	\$ 4,930,395	\$ (24,907)
01/06/2009	2,366,000 EUR	3,288,708	3,190,788	(97,920)
01/06/2009	2,366,000 EUR	3,288,708	3,186,765	(101,943)
01/06/2009	4,066,000 EUR	5,651,686	5,483,001	(168,685)
01/06/2009	2,039,000 EUR	2,834,183	2,667,624	(166,559)
01/06/2009	1,833,000 GBP	2,635,323	3,185,204	549,881
01/06/2009	1,578,000 GBP	2,268,707	2,717,789	449,082
01/06/2009	1,149,000 GBP	1,651,929	1,928,045	276,116
01/28/2009	6,520,000 DKK	1,215,355	1,097,551	(117,804)
01/28/2009	704,000 DKK	131,229	119,830	(11,399)
01/29/2009	2,300,000 AUD	1,599,247	1,388,050	(211,197)
01/29/2009	1,733,000 AUD	1,204,998	1,134,214	(70,784)
01/29/2009	2,650,000 NOK	377,762	373,056	(4,706)
01/29/2009	3,649,000 NOK	520,172	536,539	16,367
01/29/2009	5,520,000 SEK	697,707	678,700	(19,007)
01/29/2009	927,000 SEK	117,169	118,948	1,779
02/04/2009	3,764,000 EUR	5,225,078	4,778,210	(446,868)
02/04/2009	1,613,000 EUR	2,239,121	2,044,881	(194,240)
02/04/2009	2,016,000 EUR	2,798,554	2,541,874	(256,680)
02/04/2009	2,057,000 EUR	2,855,469	2,563,557	(291,912)
02/04/2009	804,000 GBP	1,154,979	1,265,528	110,549
02/04/2009	1,863,000 GBP	2,676,275	2,797,201	120,926
02/04/2009	818,000 GBP	1,175,090	1,199,540	24,450
03/23/2009	1,518,000 EUR	2,104,580	2,109,276	4,696

During the year ended December 31, 2008, the Fund loaned securities to certain brokers. At December 31, 2008, the value of securities on loan and the total value of collateral received for securities loaned amounted to \$20,693,162 and \$21,684,001, respectively.

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As of December 31, 2008, the Fund had \$31,065,973 loss carryovers for federal income tax purposes with \$80,668 expiring in 2009, \$3,587,985 expiring in 2010 and \$27,397,320 expiring in 2016.

For income tax purposes, currency losses incurred after October 31 within the Fund's fiscal year are deemed to arise on the first business day of the following fiscal year. As of December 31, 2008, the Fund incurred and will elect to defer post-October currency losses of \$9,115,017.

6. INTERFUND LENDING

Pursuant to an Exemptive Order issued by the SEC, the Fund may participate in an inter-fund lending program with certain funds in the Evergreen fund family. This program allows the Fund to borrow from other participating funds. During the year ended December 31, 2008, the Fund did not participate in the interfund lending program.

7. DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS

As of December 31, 2008, the components of distributable earnings on a tax basis were as follows:

Undistributed Ordinary Income	Unrealized Depreciation	Capital Loss Carryovers and Post-October Losses	Temporary Book/Tax Differences
\$5,730,860	\$12,686,692	\$40,180,990	(\$6,248)

The differences between the components of distributable earnings on a tax basis and the amounts reflected in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities are primarily due to wash sales, passive foreign investment companies and forward contracts. The temporary book/tax differences are a result of timing differences between book and tax recognition of income and/or expenses.

The tax character of distributions paid was as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2008	2007
Ordinary Income	\$ 630	\$ 8,204,570
Long-term Capital Gain	6,413,584	21,985,433

8. EXPENSE REDUCTIONS

Through expense offset arrangements with ESC and the Fund's custodian, a portion of fund expenses has been reduced.

9. DEFERRED TRUSTEES' FEES

Each Trustee of the Fund may defer any or all compensation related to performance of his or her duties as a Trustee. The Trustees' deferred balances are allocated to deferral

accounts, which are included in the accrued expenses for the Fund. The investment performance of the deferral accounts is based on the investment performance of certain Evergreen funds. Any gains earned or losses incurred in the deferral accounts are reported in the Fund's Trustees' fees and expenses. At the election of the Trustees, the deferral account will be paid either in one lump sum or in quarterly installments for up to ten years.

10. FINANCING AGREEMENT

The Fund and certain other Evergreen funds share in a \$100 million unsecured revolving credit commitment for temporary and emergency purposes, including the funding of redemptions, as permitted by each participating fund's borrowing restrictions. Borrowings under this facility bear interest at 0.50% per annum above the Federal Funds rate. All of the participating funds are charged an annual commitment fee of 0.09% on the unused balance, which is allocated pro rata. Prior to June 27, 2008, the annual commitment fee was 0.08%.

During the year ended December 31, 2008, the Fund had average borrowings outstanding of \$85,510 at an average rate of 4.39% and paid interest of \$3,754.

11. REGULATORY MATTERS AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Evergreen funds, EIMC and certain of EIMC's affiliates are involved in various legal actions, including private litigation and class action lawsuits, and are and may in the future be subject to regulatory inquiries and investigations.

The SEC and the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Securities Division, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts are conducting separate investigations of EIMC, EIS and Evergreen Ultra Short Opportunities Fund (the "Ultra Short Fund") concerning alleged issues surrounding the drop in net asset value of the Ultra Short Fund in May and June 2008. In addition, three purported class actions have been filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts relating to the same events; defendants include various Evergreen entities, including EIMC and EIS, and Evergreen Fixed Income Trust and its Trustees. The cases generally allege that investors in the Ultra Short Fund suffered losses as a result of (i) misleading statements in Ultra Short Fund's registration statement and prospectus, (ii) the failure to accurately price securities in the Ultra Short Fund at different points in time and (iii) the failure of the Ultra Short Fund's risk disclosures and description of its investment strategy to inform investors adequately of the actual risks of the fund.

12. NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In March 2008, FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 161, *Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities* ("FAS 161"), an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133. FAS 161 requires enhanced disclosures about (a) how and why a fund uses derivative instruments, (b) how derivative instruments and hedging

activities are accounted for, and (c) how derivative instruments and related hedging activities affect a fund's financial position, financial performance, and cash flows. Management of the Fund does not believe the adoption of FAS 161 will materially impact the financial statement amounts, but will require additional disclosures. This will include qualitative and quantitative disclosures on derivative positions existing at period end and the effect of using derivatives during the reporting period. FAS 161 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2008.

In September 2008, FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. FAS 133-1 and FIN 45-4, *Disclosures about Credit Derivatives and Certain Guarantees: An Amendment of FASB Statement No. 133 and FASB Interpretation No. 45; and Clarification of the Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 161*. This FASB Staff Position (1) amends FASB Statement No. 133 to require disclosures by sellers of credit derivatives, including credit derivatives embedded in a hybrid instrument (2) amends FASB Interpretation No. 45 to require additional disclosure about the current status of the payment/performance risk of a guarantee and (3) clarifies the effective date of FAS 161. This FASB Staff Position is effective for reporting periods (annual or interim) ending after November 15, 2008. The adoption of this FASB Staff Position did not require additional disclosures to the Fund's financial statements.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Trustees and Shareholders
Evergreen Variable Annuity Trust

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities, including the schedule of investments, of the Evergreen VA International Equity Fund, a series of the Evergreen Variable Annuity Trust, as of December 31, 2008 and the related statement of operations for the year then ended, statements of changes in net assets for each of the years in the two-year period then ended and the financial highlights for each of the years in the five-year period then ended. These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Fund'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. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2008 by correspondence with the custodian and brokers, or by other appropriate auditing procedures where replies from brokers were not received. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. 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 the Evergreen VA International Equity Fund as of December 31, 2008, the results of its operations, changes in its net assets and financial highlights for each of the years described above, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

KPMG LLP

Boston, Massachusetts
February 11, 2009

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (unaudited)

FEDERAL TAX DISTRIBUTIONS

Pursuant to Section 852 of the Internal Revenue Code, the Fund has designated long-term capital gain distributions of \$6,413,584 for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

For corporate shareholders, 1.46% of ordinary income dividends paid during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 qualified for the dividends received deduction.

Pursuant to Section 853 of the Internal Revenue Code, the Fund elects to pass through foreign taxes that have been withheld at the fund level to its shareholders so that they may take a foreign tax credit. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the total amount of foreign taxes expected to be passed through to shareholders was \$599,131 on foreign source income of \$8,095,323. Complete information regarding the Fund's foreign tax credit pass through to shareholders for 2008 will be reported in conjunction with Form 1099-DIV.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE FUND'S INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT

Each year, the Fund's Board of Trustees determines whether to approve the continuation of the Fund's investment advisory agreements. In September 2008, the Trustees, including a majority of the Trustees who are not "interested persons" (as that term is defined in the 1940 Act) of the Fund or EIMC (the "independent Trustees"), approved the continuation of the Fund's investment advisory agreements. (References below to the "Fund" are to VA International Equity Fund; references to the "funds" are to the Evergreen funds generally.)

At the same time, the Trustees considered the continuation of the investment advisory agreements for all of the funds. The description below refers in many cases to the Trustees' process for considering, and conclusions regarding, all of the funds' agreements. In all of its deliberations, the Board of Trustees and the independent Trustees were advised by independent counsel to the independent Trustees and counsel to the funds.

The review process. In connection with its review of the funds' investment advisory agreements, the Board of Trustees requests and evaluates, and EIMC and any sub-advisors furnish, such information as the Trustees consider to be reasonably necessary in the circumstances. The Trustees began their 2008 review process at the time of the last advisory contract-renewal process in September 2007. In the course of their 2007 review, the Trustees identified a number of funds that had experienced either short-term or longer-term performance issues. During the 2008 review process, the Trustees monitored each of these funds in particular for changes in performance and for the results of any changes in a fund's investment process or investment team. In addition, during the course of the year, the Trustees regularly reviewed information regarding the investment performance of all of the funds, paying particular attention to funds whose performance since September 2007 indicated short-term or longer-term performance issues.

In spring 2008, a committee of the Board of Trustees (the "Committee"), working with EIMC management, determined generally the types of information the Board would review as part of its 2008 review process and set a timeline detailing the information required and the dates for its delivery to the Trustees. The Board engaged the independent data provider Keil Fiduciary Strategies LLC ("Keil") to provide fund-specific and industry-wide data containing information of a nature and in a format generally prescribed by the Committee, and the Committee worked with Keil and EIMC to develop appropriate groups of peer funds for each fund. The Committee also identified a number of expense, performance, and other issues and requested specific information as to those issues.

The Trustees reviewed, with the assistance of an independent industry consultant retained by the independent Trustees, the information that EIMC and Keil provided. The Trustees

formed small groups to review individual funds in greater detail. In addition, the Trustees considered information regarding, among other things, brokerage practices of the funds, the use of derivatives by the funds, strategic planning for the funds, analyst and research support available to the portfolio management teams, and information regarding the various fall-out benefits received directly and indirectly by EIMC and its affiliates from the funds. The Trustees requested and received additional information following that review.

The Committee met several times by telephone during the 2008 review process to consider the information provided by EIMC. The Committee then met with representatives of EIMC. In addition, over the period of this review, the independent Trustees discussed the continuation of the funds' advisory agreements with representatives of EIMC and in multiple private sessions with independent legal counsel at which no personnel of EIMC were present. At a meeting of the full Board of Trustees in September, the Committee reported the results of its discussions with EIMC, and the full Board met with representatives of EIMC and engaged in further review of the materials provided to it, and approved the continuation of each of the advisory and sub-advisory agreements.

In considering the continuation of the agreements, the Trustees did not identify any particular information or consideration that was all-important or controlling, and each Trustee attributed different weights to various factors. The Trustees evaluated information provided to them both in terms of the funds generally and with respect to each fund, including the Fund, specifically as they considered appropriate. Although the Trustees considered the continuation of the agreements as part of the larger process of considering the continuation of the advisory contracts for all of the funds, their determination to continue the advisory agreements for each of the funds was ultimately made on a fund-by-fund basis.

This summary describes a number of the most important, but not necessarily all, of the factors considered by the Board and the independent Trustees.

Information reviewed. The Board of Trustees and committees of the Board of Trustees meet periodically during the course of the year. At those meetings, EIMC presents a wide variety of information regarding the services it performs, the investment performance of the funds, and other aspects of the business and operations of the funds. At those meetings, and in the process of considering the continuation of the agreements, the Trustees considered information regarding, for example, the funds' investment results; the portfolio management teams for the funds and the experience of the members of those teams, and any recent changes in the membership of the teams; portfolio trading practices; compliance by the funds and EIMC with applicable laws and regulations and with the funds' and EIMC's compliance policies and procedures; risk evaluation and oversight procedures at EIMC; services provided by affiliates of EIMC to the funds and share-

holders of the funds; and other information relating to the nature, extent, and quality of services provided by EIMC. The Trustees considered a number of changes in portfolio management personnel at EIMC and its advisory affiliates in the year since September 2007. The Trustees also considered changes in personnel at the funds and EIMC, including the appointment of a new Chief Compliance Officer for the funds in June of 2007 and a new Chief Investment Officer at EIMC in August of 2008.

The Trustees considered the rates at which the funds pay investment advisory fees, and the efforts generally by EIMC and its affiliates as sponsors of the funds. The data provided by Keil showed the management fees paid by each fund in comparison to the management fees of other peer mutual funds, in addition to data regarding the investment performance of the funds in comparison to other peer mutual funds. The Trustees were assisted by an independent industry consultant in reviewing the information presented to them.

The Trustees noted that, in certain cases, EIMC and/or its affiliates provide advisory services to other clients that are comparable to the advisory services they provide to certain funds. The Trustees considered the information EIMC provided regarding the rates at which those other clients pay advisory fees to EIMC or its affiliates for such services. Fees charged to those other clients were generally lower than those charged to the respective funds. In respect of these other accounts, EIMC noted that the compliance, reporting, and other legal burdens of providing investment advice to mutual funds generally exceed those required to provide advisory services to non-mutual fund clients such as retirement or pension plans. The Trustees also considered the investment performance of those other accounts managed by EIMC and its affiliates, where applicable, and concluded that the performance of those accounts did not suggest any substantial difference in the quality of the service provided by EIMC and its affiliates to those accounts.

The Trustees considered the transfer agency fees paid by the funds to an affiliate of EIMC. They reviewed information presented to them showing that the transfer agency fees charged to the funds were generally consistent with industry norms.

The Trustees also considered that EIMC serves as administrator to the funds and receives a fee for its services as administrator. In their comparison of the advisory fee paid by the funds with those paid by other mutual funds, the Trustees considered administrative fees paid by the funds and those other mutual funds. The Board considered that EIS, an affiliate of EIMC, serves as distributor to the funds generally and receives fees from the funds for those services. They considered other so-called “fall-out” benefits to EIMC and its affiliates due to their other relationships with the funds, including, for example, soft-dollar services received by EIMC attributable to transactions entered into by EIMC for the benefit of the funds and brokerage commissions received by Wachovia Securities, LLC, an affiliate of EIMC, from transactions effected by it for the funds. The Trustees also noted that the funds pay sub-transfer agency fees to various financial institutions, including

Wachovia Securities, LLC and its affiliates, that hold fund shares in omnibus accounts, and that an affiliate of EIMC receives fees for administering the sub-transfer agency payment program. In reviewing the services provided by an affiliate of EIMC, the Trustees noted that an affiliate of EIMC had won recognition from Dalbar customer service each year since 1998, and also won recognition from National Quality Review for customer service and for accuracy in processing transactions in 2008. They also considered that Wachovia Securities, LLC and its affiliates receive distribution-related fees and shareholder servicing payments (including amounts derived from payments under the funds' Rule 12b-1 plans) in respect of shares sold or held through it. The Trustees also noted that an affiliate of EIMC receives compensation for serving as a securities lending agent for a number of the funds.

In the period leading up to the Trustees' approval of continuation of the investment advisory agreements, the Trustees were mindful of the financial condition of Wachovia Corporation ("Wachovia"), EIMC's parent company. They considered the possibility that a significant adverse change in Wachovia's financial condition could impair the ability of EIMC or its affiliates to perform services for the funds at the same level as in the past. The Trustees concluded that any change in Wachovia's financial condition had not to date had any such effect, but determined to monitor EIMC's and its affiliates' performance, and financial conditions generally, going forward in order to identify any such impairment that may develop and to take appropriate action.

Nature and quality of the services provided. The Trustees considered that EIMC and its affiliates generally provide a comprehensive investment management service to the funds. They noted that EIMC formulates and implements an investment program for the Fund. They noted that EIMC makes its personnel available to serve as officers of the funds, and concluded that the reporting and management functions provided by EIMC with respect to the funds were generally satisfactory. The Trustees considered the investment philosophy of the Fund's portfolio management team, and considered the in-house research capabilities of EIMC and its affiliates, as well as other resources available to EIMC, including research services available to it from third parties. The Board considered the managerial and financial resources available to EIMC and its affiliates, and the commitment that the Wachovia organization has made to the funds generally. On the basis of these factors, they determined that the nature and scope of the services provided by EIMC were consistent with their respective duties under the investment advisory agreements and appropriate and consistent with the investment programs and best interests of the funds.

The Trustees noted the resources EIMC and its affiliates have committed to the regulatory, compliance, accounting, tax and oversight of tax reporting, and shareholder servicing functions, and the number and quality of staff committed to those functions, which they

concluded were appropriate and generally in line with EIMC's responsibilities to the Fund and to the funds generally. The Board and the disinterested Trustees concluded, within the context of their overall conclusions regarding the funds' advisory agreements, that they were generally satisfied with the nature, extent, and quality of the services provided by EIMC, including services provided by EIMC under its administrative services agreements with the funds.

Investment performance. The Trustees considered the investment performance of each fund, both by comparison to other comparable mutual funds and to broad market indices. Although the Trustees considered the performance of all share classes, the Trustees noted that, for the one- and three-year periods ended December 31, 2007, the Fund's Class 1 shares had outperformed the Fund's benchmark index, the Morgan Stanley Capital International Europe, Australasia, and Far East Free Index, and a majority of the mutual funds against which the Trustees compared the Fund's performance. The Trustees noted that, for the five-year period ended December 31, 2007, the Fund's Class 1 shares had underperformed the Fund's benchmark index, and outperformed a majority of the mutual funds against which the Trustees compared the Fund's performance.

The Trustees discussed each fund's performance with representatives of EIMC. In each instance where a fund experienced a substantial period of underperformance relative to its benchmark index and/or the non-Evergreen fund peers against which the Trustees compared the fund's performance, the Trustees considered EIMC's explanation of the reasons for the relative underperformance and the steps being taken to address the relative underperformance. The Trustees also noted that EIMC had appointed a new Chief Investment Officer in August of 2008 who had not yet had sufficient time to evaluate and direct remedial efforts with respect to funds that have experienced a substantial period of relative underperformance. The Trustees emphasized that the continuation of the investment advisory agreement for a fund should not be taken as any indication that the Trustees did not believe investment performance for any specific fund might not be improved, and they noted that they would continue to monitor closely the investment performance of the funds going forward.

Advisory and administrative fees. The Trustees recognized that EIMC does not seek to provide the lowest cost investment advisory service, but to provide a high quality, full-service investment management product at a reasonable price. They also noted that EIMC has in many cases sought to set its investment advisory fees at levels consistent with industry norms. The Trustees noted that, in certain cases, a fund's management fees were higher than many or most other mutual funds in the same Keil peer group. However, in each case, the Trustees determined on the basis of the information presented that the level of management fees was not excessive. The Trustees noted that the management fee paid by the Fund was lower than the management fees paid by most of the other mutual funds

against which the Trustees compared the Fund's management fee, and that the level of profitability realized by EIMC in respect of the fee did not appear excessive.

Economies of scale. The Trustees noted the possibility that economies of scale would be achieved by EIMC in managing the funds as the funds grow. The Trustees noted that the Fund had implemented breakpoints in its advisory fee structure. The Trustees noted that they would continue to review the appropriate levels of breakpoints in the future, and concluded that the breakpoints as implemented appeared to be a reasonable step toward the realization of economies of scale by the Fund.

Profitability. The Trustees considered information provided to them regarding the profitability to the EIMC organization of the investment advisory, administration, and transfer agency (with respect to the open-end funds only) fees paid to EIMC and its affiliates by each of the funds. They considered that the information provided to them was necessarily estimated, and that the profitability information provided to them, especially on a fund-by-fund basis, did not necessarily provide a definitive tool for evaluating the appropriateness of each fund's advisory fee. They noted that the levels of profitability of the funds to EIMC varied widely, depending on among other things the size and type of fund. They considered the profitability of the funds in light of such factors as, for example, the information they had received regarding the relation of the fees paid by the funds to those paid by other mutual funds, the investment performance of the funds, and the amount of revenues involved. In light of these factors, the Trustees concluded that the profitability of any of the funds, individually or in the aggregate, should not prevent the Trustees from approving the continuation of the agreements.

Matters Relating to Approval of Interim Advisory and Sub-Advisory Agreements. Following the Trustees' approval of the continuation of the funds' investment advisory agreements, Wells Fargo & Company ("Wells Fargo") announced that it had agreed to acquire Wachovia in a whole company transaction that would include all of Wachovia's banking and other businesses, including EIMC. In connection with this transaction, on October 20, 2008, Wachovia issued preferred shares representing a 39.9% voting interest in Wachovia to Wells Fargo pursuant to a Share Exchange Agreement. Wells Fargo subsequently completed its acquisition of Wachovia on December 31, 2008.

Under the 1940 Act, both the issuance of the preferred shares to Wells Fargo and the completion of the acquisition could be viewed as resulting in the termination of the funds' investment advisory and sub-advisory agreements. Accordingly, on October 20, 2008, the Board of Trustees approved interim investment advisory and sub-advisory agreements that would become effective upon Wachovia's issuance of preferred shares to Wells Fargo. On November 12, 2008, the Trustees approved a second set of interim investment advisory and sub-advisory agreements that would become effective upon the completion of the acquisition. (The first set of interim agreements approved on October 20, 2008, together

with the second set of interim agreements approved November 12, 2008, are referred to as “Interim Agreements.”) In addition, the Trustees approved on November 12, 2008, and again at an in-person meeting on December 3 and 4, 2008, definitive investment advisory and sub-advisory agreements (the “New Agreements”) and recommended that shareholders of the funds approve them at meetings to be held in early 2009.

In considering whether to approve the first set of Interim Agreements on October 20, 2008, the Trustees took into account that they had recently approved the annual continuation of all of the funds’ existing investment advisory and sub-advisory agreements in September 2008. The Trustees reviewed the terms of the Interim Agreements, noting that the terms were generally identical to those of the funds’ investment advisory agreements that were in effect before October 20, 2008 (but for provisions required by law to be included in the Interim Agreements). They also took into account current and anticipated market and economic conditions, the financial condition of EIMC and of Wachovia generally, and the likely effect of the merger on the financial condition of Wachovia. In general, the Trustees considered that the proposed merger of Wachovia with Wells Fargo would very likely improve substantially the financial condition of EIMC’s parent company, increase the capital available to support the funds, and ensure that EIMC and its affiliates would have the resources to provide continuing services to the funds. In light principally of these considerations and their recent continuation of the funds’ investment advisory arrangements in September, the Trustees unanimously approved the first set of Interim Agreements that became effective on October 20, 2008.

In addition to the foregoing, at their meetings on November 12, 2008 and December 3 and 4, 2008 when the Trustees considered whether to approve the second set of Interim Agreements as well as the New Agreements, the Trustees considered presentations made to them on November 12, 2008 by representatives of EIMC and Wells Fargo regarding the anticipated implications of the merger for EIMC and the funds. The Trustees also considered:

- Their understanding that the merger was not expected to result in any adverse effect on the funds, on the quality and level of services that EIMC would provide to the funds, or on the resources available to the funds and to EIMC, and that Wells Fargo is committed to continue providing the funds with high quality services;
- Information about Wells Fargo’s financial condition, reputation, and resources, and the likelihood that the merger would result in improved organizational stability for EIMC, benefiting the funds as well as offering the potential for the funds, over time, to access Wells Fargo’s infrastructure, resources and capabilities;

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (unaudited) continued

- That EIMC and Wells Fargo representatives have stated that there is no present intention to change the funds' existing advisory fees or expense limitations;
- That the representatives of Wells Fargo have expressed their intention to pursue the integration of EIMC and the funds with corresponding Wells Fargo businesses and funds only after a deliberative process designed to identify and retain the relative strengths of both organizations;
- That the Wells Fargo representatives expect that the deliberative process and any subsequent integration will take more than a year;
- That, in the meantime, Wells Fargo expects to retain, largely in its current form, the existing EIMC management team and investment advisory and other key professionals and to operate EIMC following the merger as a separate business unit under the Evergreen brand;
- That Wells Fargo and EIMC would consult with the Trustees before implementing any significant changes that would affect the funds or the services provided by EIMC or its affiliates to the funds;
- Wells Fargo's experience and approach with respect to acquisitions of other fund complexes;
- The fact that, if the New Agreements were not approved, on March 19, 2009, the Subsequent Interim Agreements will expire and the funds will no longer have a contractual right to investment advisory services from EIMC or any sub-advisors;
- That EIMC's management supports the merger; and
- That representatives of EIMC have committed that the funds will not bear the expenses relating to Wells Fargo's acquisition of Wachovia, including the costs of soliciting fund shareholders to approve the New Agreements.

Based on the foregoing, the Trustees, including all of the Trustees who are not "interested persons" of the funds or EIMC, unanimously approved the second set of Interim Agreements and the New Agreements.

TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

TRUSTEES¹

Charles A. Austin III
Trustee

DOB: 10/23/1934

Term of office since: 1991

Other directorships: None

Investment Counselor, Anchor Capital Advisors, LLC. (investment advice); Director, The Andover Companies (insurance); Trustee, Arthritis Foundation of New England; Former Director, The Francis Ouimet Society (scholarship program); Former Director, Executive Vice President and Treasurer, State Street Research & Management Company (investment advice)

K. Dun Gifford

Trustee

DOB: 10/23/1938

Term of office since: 1974

Other directorships: None

Chairman and President, Oldways Preservation and Exchange Trust (education); Trustee, Chairman of the Finance Committee, Member of the Executive Committee, and Former Treasurer, Cambridge College

Dr. Leroy Keith, Jr.

Trustee

DOB: 2/14/1939

Term of office since: 1983

Other directorships: Trustee, Phoenix Fund Complex (consisting of 50 portfolios as of 12/31/2008)

Managing Director, Almanac Capital Management (commodities firm); Trustee, Phoenix Fund Complex; Director, Diversapack Co. (packaging company); Former Partner, Stonington Partners, Inc. (private equity fund); Former Director, Obagi Medical Products Co.; Former Director, Lincoln Educational Services

Carol A. Kosel

Trustee

DOB: 12/25/1963

Term of office since: 2008

Other directorships: None

Former Consultant to the Evergreen Boards of Trustees; Former Vice President and Senior Vice President, Evergreen Investments, Inc.; Former Treasurer, Evergreen Funds; Former Treasurer, Vestaur Securities Fund

Gerald M. McDonnell

Trustee

DOB: 7/14/1939

Term of office since: 1988

Other directorships: None

Former Manager of Commercial Operations, CMC Steel (steel producer)

Patricia B. Norris

Trustee

DOB: 4/9/1948

Term of office since: 2006

Other directorships: None

President and Director of Buckleys of Kezar Lake, Inc. (real estate company); Former President and Director of Phillips Pond Homes Association (home community); Former Partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP (independent registered public accounting firm)

William Walt Pettit²

Trustee

DOB: 8/26/1955

Term of office since: 1988

Other directorships: None

Partner and Vice President, Kellam & Pettit, P.A. (law firm); Director, Superior Packaging Corp. (packaging company); Member, Superior Land, LLC (real estate holding company), Member, K&P Development, LLC (real estate development); Former Director, National Kidney Foundation of North Carolina, Inc. (non-profit organization)

David M. Richardson

Trustee

DOB: 9/19/1941

Term of office since: 1982

Other directorships: None

President, Richardson, Runden LLC (executive recruitment advisory services); Director, J&M Cumming Paper Co. (paper merchandising); Former Trustee, NDI Technologies, LLP (communications); Former Consultant, AESC (The Association of Executive Search Consultants)

Russell A. Salton III, MD

Trustee

DOB: 6/2/1947

Term of office since: 1984

Other directorships: None

President/CEO, AccessOne MedCard, Inc.

TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS continued

Michael S. Scofield
Trustee Retired Attorney, Law Offices of Michael S. Scofield; Former Director and Chairman, Branded Media Corporation (multi-media branding company)

DOB: 2/20/1943

Term of office since: 1984

Other directorships: None

Richard J. Shima
Trustee Independent Consultant; Director, Hartford Hospital; Trustee, Greater Hartford YMCA; Former Director, Trust Company of CT; Former Trustee, Saint Joseph College (CT)

DOB: 8/11/1939

Term of office since: 1993

Other directorships: None

Richard K. Wagoner, CFA³
Trustee Member and Former President, North Carolina Securities Traders Association; Member, Financial Analysts Society

DOB: 12/12/1937

Term of office since: 1999

Other directorships: None

OFFICERS

W. Douglas Munn⁴
President Principal occupations: President and Chief Executive Officer, Evergreen Investment Company, Inc.; former Chief Operating Officer, Evergreen Investment Company, Inc.

DOB: 4/21/1963

Term of office since: 2009

Jeremy DePalma⁴
Treasurer Principal occupations: Senior Vice President, Evergreen Investment Management Company, LLC; Former Vice President, Evergreen Investment Services, Inc.; Former Assistant Vice President, Evergreen Investment Services, Inc.

DOB: 2/5/1974

Term of office since: 2005

Michael H. Koonce⁴
Secretary Principal occupations: Senior Vice President and General Counsel, Evergreen Investment Services, Inc.; Secretary, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, Evergreen Investment Management Company, LLC and Evergreen Service Company, LLC

DOB: 4/20/1960

Term of office since: 2000

Robert Guerin⁴
Chief Compliance Officer Principal occupations: Chief Compliance Officer, Evergreen Funds and Senior Vice President of Evergreen Investment Company, Inc.; Former Managing Director and Senior Compliance Officer, Babson Capital Management LLC; Former Principal and Director, Compliance and Risk Management, State Street Global Advisors; Former Vice President and Manager, Sales Practice Compliance, Deutsche Asset Management

DOB: 9/20/1965

Term of office since: 2007

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² It is possible that Mr. Pettit may be viewed as an "interested person" of the Evergreen funds, as defined in the 1940 Act, because of his law firm's previous representation of affiliates of Wells Fargo & Company ("Wells Fargo"), the parent to the Evergreen funds' investment advisor, EIMC. The Trustees are treating Mr. Pettit as an interested trustee for the time being.

³ Mr. Wagoner is an "interested person" of the Evergreen funds because of his ownership of shares in Wells Fargo & Company, the parent to the Evergreen funds' investment advisor.

⁴ The address of the Officer is 200 Berkeley Street, Boston, MA 02116.

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