



# RBC Global Resources Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth by investing in equity securities of companies around the world in any or all of the Energy, Materials, Industrials, and Utilities sectors. The fund will invest in companies that are involved directly or indirectly in the exploration, development, production or distribution of natural or other resources.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF575
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF811
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF711
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF181

Inception Date	December 2000
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	150.8
Series A NAV \$	31.52
Series A MER %	2.15
Benchmark	65% MSCI World - Energy 35% MSCI World - Materials (measured in C\$)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

Sales Status	Open
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25

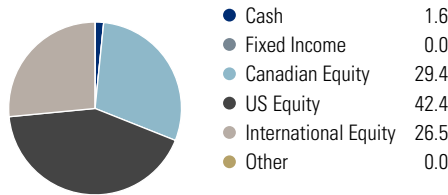
Fund Category	Natural Resources Equity
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
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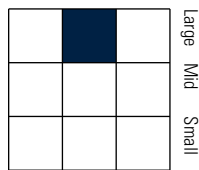
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## Portfolio Analysis as of August 31, 2017

### Asset Mix



### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

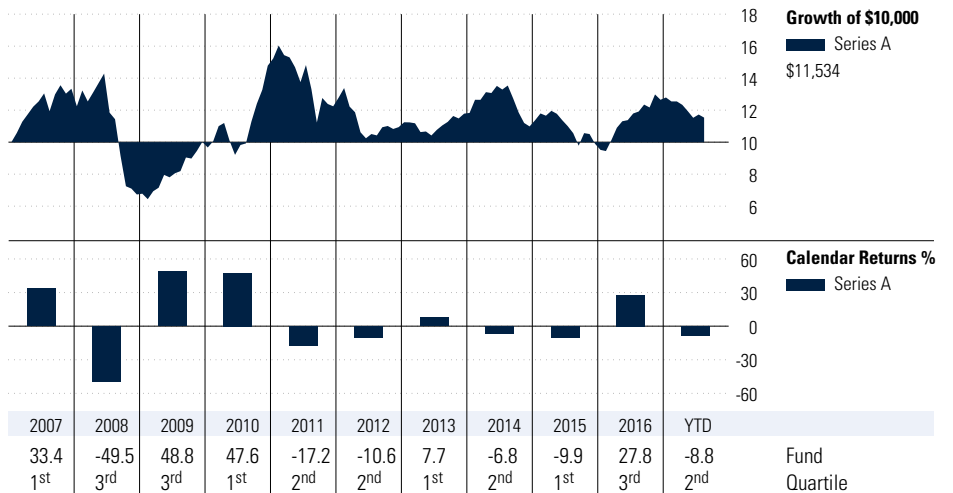
### Top 5 Sectors

Sector	% Equity
Materials	61.9
Energy	38.1
Industrials	0.0
Consumer Discretionary	0.0
Consumer Staples	0.0

### Geographic Allocations

Region	% Assets
United States	43.2
Canada	29.9
United Kingdom	13.3
France	5.5
Portugal	2.5

## Performance Analysis as of August 31, 2017



Period	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
Return	-1.6	-3.4	-8.1	-3.2	-5.2	2.0	-0.3	8.0	Fund
Rank	3rd	3rd	2nd	2nd	2nd	1st	1st	—	Quartile
No. of Funds	142	142	140	139	106	93	57	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Chris Beer

##### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Chris Beer is Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Canadian and Global Equities. He has been in the investment industry since 1993.

#### Brahm Spilfoegel

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Brahm Spilfoegel is Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Global Equities. He has been in the investment industry since 1991.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of August 31, 2017

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.85
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.85
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	4-2006	72.0	7-2007	45.6	6-2008	36.9	2-2011	17.2
Worst	2-2009	-51.4	6-2010	-9.8	2-2016	-10.1	7-2017	-1.1
Average		12.5		12.7		12.9		10.6
No. of Periods		189		165		141		81
Pct. Positive		66.7		69.1		78.7		95.1

\* Distributions are characterized into income type at year-end.

### Quarterly Commentary as at June 30, 2017

The Energy sector delivered extremely weak performance amid falling oil prices on skepticism that OPEC production cuts were sufficient to offset rising supplies. OPEC's decision in May to extend last year's production cuts had the unintended effect of driving oil prices even lower, as investor hopes for even bigger reductions were dashed. In June, an unexpected rise in U.S. inventories sent North American benchmark prices tumbling to their 2017 lows, just above US\$40 a barrel. U.S. natural-gas prices fell, but less so than crude oil, given robust demand for liquid natural gas exports and a continued shift to gas-fired power generation.

The Fund's relative performance was negatively impacted by underweight positions in global integrated oil companies, which are more resilient in times of energy price volatility. Laredo Petroleum and Continental were among the Fund's worst exploration and production (E&P) performers. Oil field service names including Patterson-UTI and U.S. Silica also detracted from performance. These losses were partially offset by

robust relative performance from Yangarra Resources and Galp Energia.

The Material sector underperformed in Q2 as negative contribution from asset weighting was mostly offset by positive security selection and currency performance. The Fund was underweight industrial gases and underweight specialty chemicals, both of which negatively contributed to performance in Q2. The weaker U.S. dollar, improving Chinese data and supply discipline are helping the metals.

We believe that OPEC's extension limiting production should help curb inventory growth in Q3 and beyond. Assuming global inventories decline, we see the potential for gains in oil prices and energy-equity prices during the second half of 2017. Our approach remains to invest in companies with high-quality assets, strong management and the ability to finance growth projects.



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MER (%) for RBC Funds, PH&N Funds and Bluebay Funds is based on actual expenses for the half-year period, January 1 to June 30, 2017, expressed on an annualized basis.

MER (%) for RBC Corporate Class Funds is based on actual expenses for the full-year period, April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017, expressed on an annualized basis.

Adjusted MER is provided for funds with management fee changes effective June 30, 2016. The Adjusted MER represents what the reported MER would have been had management fee changes been in effect throughout 2016.

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