



# RBC QUBE Low Volatility U.S. Equity Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth. The fund invests primarily in equity securities of U.S. companies using a quantitative investment approach. The fund seeks to achieve a reduced level of volatility of returns as compared to the broader U.S. equity market.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF488
A	No Load	USD	RBF450
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF818
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF718
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF018
Adv	Front End	USD	RBF6450
Adv	Low Load	USD	RBF4450
T5	No Load	CAD	RBF418

Inception Date	November 2012
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	1,789.6
Series A NAV \$	21.21
Series A MER %	1.87
Benchmark	S&P 500 Total Return Index (C\$)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

Fund Category	US Equity
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Notes

Performance Analysis is in CAD and for CAD series A fund (RBF488).

## Portfolio Analysis as of September 30, 2017

### Asset Mix

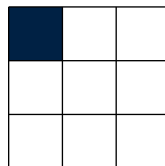


	% Assets
Cash	0.1
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	99.3
International Equity	0.6
Other	0.0

### Top 25 Holdings

	% Assets
Alphabet Inc C	3.1
Johnson & Johnson	3.0
Procter & Gamble Co	3.0
Republic Services Inc Class A	3.0
Wal-Mart Stores Inc	3.0
PepsiCo Inc	2.9
Coca-Cola Co	2.9
Consolidated Edison Inc	2.9
American Electric Power Co Inc	2.8
Xcel Energy Inc	2.8
UnitedHealth Group Inc	2.7
TJX Companies Inc	2.6
DTE Energy Co	2.5
Berkshire Hathaway Inc B	2.4
Vectren Corp	2.4
US Bancorp	2.3
3M Co	2.2
Merck & Co Inc	2.2
Honeywell International Inc	2.2
Loews Corp	2.0
Texas Instruments Inc	1.9
Waste Management Inc	1.9
Amdocs Ltd	1.8
Danaher Corp	1.8
Philip Morris International Inc	1.8
Total % of Top 25 Holdings	62.2
Total Number of Stock Holdings	103
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	1
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>104</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

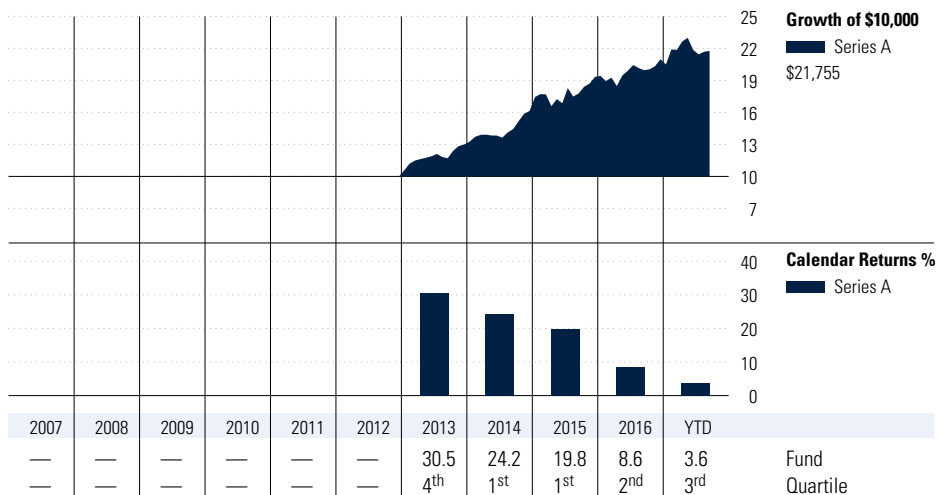
### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	3.1
P/E Ratio	21.6
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	70.9

### Global Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Information Technology	20.5
Utilities	18.9
Consumer Staples	16.2
Health Care	15.1
Industrials	10.5
Financials	8.6
Consumer Discretionary	5.1
Materials	2.2
Telecommunication Services	1.7
Energy	0.7
Real Estate	0.5
Unclassified	0.0

## Performance Analysis as of September 30, 2017



1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
0.3	-0.5	-0.5	9.0	14.6	—	—	17.8	Fund
4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	—	—	—	Quartile
1387	1382	1345	1306	872	519	235	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Bill Tilford

#### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Bill is Head of Quantitative Investments at RBC Global Asset Management Inc. (RBC GAM). He has been working in the investment industry since 1986. Prior to joining RBC GAM, Bill was VP & Head of Global Corporate Securities (Public Market Investments) at a federal Crown corporation, where he managed one of the world's largest Global market neutral/overlay portfolios. For 12 years, he was a partner at a large Canadian asset manager. He holds an M.Math (Statistics & Finance) and a BA in Math (Hons).

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of September 30, 2017

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	—	0.51	0.06	0.17	0.06	0.02	—	—	—	—	—
Interest	—	0.03	—	0.01	—	0.01	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	0.48	0.06	0.16	0.06	0.01	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	7-2015	34.1	12-2015	24.8	—	—	—	—
Worst	7-2017	4.9	9-2017	14.6	—	—	—	—
Average		17.9		18.3				
No. of Periods		47		23				
Pct. Positive		100.0		100.0				

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at September 30, 2017

Investors were on edge due to the rising tensions between the U.S. and North Korea that dominated the news cycle over the quarter; however this was offset by generally positive economic data out of the U.S., with strong gross domestic product figures contributing to performance and propelling near record highs. Strength this quarter came from the Information Technology sector, which continued its remarkable ascent following a strong start to the year. Elsewhere, the Consumer Discretionary and Consumer Staples sectors were the weakest performers due to slower earnings growth and the ongoing disruption of consumers' preference for online shopping and its effect on traditional brick-and-mortar businesses.

In the Utilities sector, a position in Consolidated Edison held back the Fund's returns. The Consumer Staples sector also weighed on performance, with

a position in Pepsico having a negative impact during the period. In the Health Care sector, the Fund's overweight position in Gilead Sciences added significantly to returns. Contributions also came from Texas Instruments and Intel in the Information Technology sector.

Global growth has continued in developed and emerging markets. Many major economies around the world are operating close to full capacity. Monetary stimulus around the globe is beginning to be unwound yet inflation remains pacified. The current capital markets climate is encouraging for stocks although the business cycle is beginning to show signs of ageing. Fortunately, equity prices remain compelling the recent trend in growth will likely persist in the near term.



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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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