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AMENDMENT NO. 1
TO
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
ON
FORM S-6

For Registration under the Securities Act of 1933 of Securities of Unit
Investment Trusts Registered on Form N-8B-2.

- A. Exact Name of Trust: VAN KAMPEN UNIT TRUSTS, TAXABLE INCOME SERIES 154
- B. Name of Depositor: VAN KAMPEN FUNDS INC.
- C. Complete address of Depositor's principal executive offices:

522 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10036
- D. Name and complete address of agents for service:

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522 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10036

- E. Title of securities being registered: Units of fractional undivided
beneficial interest.
- F. Approximate date of proposed sale to the public:

AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

/ X / Check box if it is proposed that this filing will become effective
immediately upon filing on January 26, 2009, pursuant to Rule 487.

Investment Grade Trust, Series 33

Investment Grade Trust, Series 33 invests in a portfolio of intermediate-term
bonds. The Trust seeks to provide a high level of current income and to preserve
capital. The Trust is a unit investment trust included in Van Kampen Unit
Trusts, Taxable Income Series 154.

	Monthly Distributions	Semi-Annual Distributions
Estimated Current Return:	5.06%	5.10%
Estimated Long Term Return:	4.78%	4.82%
CUSIP:	92115X-74-2	92115X-75-9

Estimated current return shows the estimated cash you should receive each
year divided by the Unit price. Estimated long term return shows the estimated
return over the estimated life of your Trust. These estimates are as of the
opening of business on the Date of Deposit and will vary thereafter. We base
this estimate on an average of the bond yields over their estimated life. This
estimate also reflects the sales charge and estimated expenses. We derive the
average yield for your portfolio by weighting each bond's yield by its value and

estimated life. Unlike estimated current return, estimated long term return accounts for maturities, discounts and premiums of the bonds. These estimates show a comparison rather than a prediction of returns. No return calculation can predict your actual return. Your actual return may vary from these estimates.

Prospectus Part I

January 26, 2009

This prospectus contains two parts.

No one may use this Prospectus Part I unless accompanied by Prospectus Part II.

You should read this prospectus and retain it for future reference.

The Securities and Exchange Commission has not approved or disapproved of the Trust units or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus.

Any contrary representation is a criminal offense.

Van Kampen
Investments

Investment Objective. The Trust seeks to provide a high level of current income and to preserve capital.

Principal Investment Strategy. The Trust invests in a portfolio of intermediate-term bonds. In selecting bonds for the Trust, the Sponsor considered the following factors, among others:

- o the bonds must have a Standard & Poor's rating of at least "BBB-", a Moody's Investors Service, Inc. rating of at least "Baa3" or, if not rated, credit characteristics sufficiently similar to those of comparable bonds that were so rated as to be acceptable for acquisition by the Trust in the opinion of the Sponsor;
- o the prices of the bonds relative to other bonds of comparable quality and maturity;
- o the current income provided by the bonds;
- o the diversification of bonds as to purpose of issue and location of issuer; and
- o the probability of early return of principal or high legal or event risk.

Principal Risks. As with all investments, you can lose money by investing in the Trust. The Trust also might not perform as well as you expect. This can happen for reasons such as these:

- o Bond prices will fluctuate. The value of your investment may fall over time.
- o The value of the bonds will generally fall if interest rates, in general, rise. No one can predict whether interest rates will rise or fall in the future.
- o A bond issuer or insurer may be unable to make interest and/or principal payment in the future.
- o The financial condition of an issuer may worsen or its credit ratings may drop, resulting in a reduction in the value of your Units. This may occur at any point in time, including during the primary offering period.
- o A bond issuer might prepay or "call" a bond before its stated

maturity. If this happens, the Trust will distribute the principal to you but future interest distributions will fall. A bond's call price could be less than the price the Trust paid for the bond. If enough bonds are called, the Trust could terminate earlier than expected.

- o The Trust may concentrate in bonds of a particular type of issuer. This makes the Trust less diversified and subject to greater risk than a more diversified portfolio. The types of bond in the portfolio are listed under "Portfolio Diversification" on the next page.
- o We do not actively manage the Portfolio. Except in limited circumstances, the Trust will hold the same bonds even if the market value declines.

Summary of Essential Financial Information
(As of the opening of business on the Date of Deposit)

General Information

Date of Deposit	January 26, 2009
Principal amount of bonds in Trust	\$5,352,000
Principal amount of bonds per Unit (1)	\$1,000.00
Number of Units	5,352
Weighted average maturity of bonds	9 years

Unit Price

Aggregate offering price of bonds in Trust	\$ 5,394,855
Aggregate offering price of bonds per Unit	\$ 1,008.01
Plus sales charge per Unit	\$ 31.17
Plus organization costs per Unit (2)	\$ 6.20
Public offering price per Unit (3)	\$ 1,045.38
Redemption price per Unit (2)(3)	\$ 1,007.21

Portfolio Diversification (% of Par Value)

Financials	23%
Consumer Staples	18
Telecommunication Services	17
Information Technology	13
Materials	11
Industrials	9
Consumer Discretionary	9

Total	100%
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Estimated Annual Income Per Unit

	Monthly Distributions	Semi- Annual Distributions
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Estimated interest income	\$ 55.67	\$ 55.67
Less estimated expenses (4)	\$ 2.81	\$ 2.36
Estimated net interest income	\$ 52.86	\$ 53.31

Expenses

	Monthly Distributions	Semi- Annual Distributions
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Sales Charge (% of Unit Price)	3.00%	3.00%
Organization Costs per Unit	\$ 6.20	\$ 6.20
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Trustee's fee (5)	\$ 0.93	\$ 0.53
Supervisory, bookkeeping and administrative services fee	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.40

Evaluation fee (5)	\$	0.36	\$	0.36
Other operating expenses	\$	1.12	\$	1.07
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Total annual expenses per Unit	\$	2.81	\$	2.36
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Estimated Distributions

	Monthly Distributions	Semi- Annual Distributions
Initial distribution	\$ 6.01 on March 25, 2009	\$ 19.39 on June 25, 2009
Normal distribution (6)	\$ 4.40	\$ 26.65
Record dates	10th day of each month	June 10 and December 10
Distribution dates	25th day of each month	June 25 and December 25

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- (1) Some bonds may mature or be called or sold during your Trust's life. This could include a call or sale at a price below par value. We cannot guarantee that the value of your Units will equal the principal amount of bonds per Unit when you redeem them or when your Trust terminates.
 - (2) During the initial offering period, part of the value of the Units represents an amount of cash deposited to pay all or a portion of the costs of organizing the Trust. The estimated organization costs per Unit will be deducted from the assets of the Trust at the earlier of six months after the Date of Deposit or the end of the initial offering period. If Units are redeemed prior to any such reduction, these costs will not be deducted from the redemption proceeds.
 - (3) After the first settlement date (January 29, 2009), you will pay accrued interest from this date to your settlement date less interest distributions.
 - (4) This shows estimated expenses in the first year other than insurance expenses and organization costs. Organization costs are not deducted from interest income. Estimated expenses are expected to fluctuate periodically.
 - (5) Your Trust assesses this fee per \$1,000 principal amount of bonds. Your Trust assesses other fees per Unit.
 - (6) We base this amount on estimated cash flows per Unit. This amount will vary with changes in expenses, interest rates and maturity, call or sale of bonds. The Information Supplement includes the estimated cash flows.

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PORTFOLIO (as of the opening of business on the Date of Deposit)

Aggregate Principal	Name of Issuer, Title, Interest Rate and Maturity Date of Bonds (1) (2)	Rating (3)		Offering Price To Trust (2)
		Standard & Poor's	Moody's	
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\$ 250,000	Consumer Discretionary - 9.27% Target Corporation #5.875% Due 07/15/2016	A+	A2	\$ 255,895
225,000	McDonald's Corporation #5.80% Due 10/15/2017	A	A3	244,096
225,000	Consumer Staples - 18.12% Costco Wholesale Corporation #5.50% Due 03/15/2017	A	A2	239,083
250,000	Archer Daniels Midland Company #5.45% Due 03/15/2018	A	A2	255,325

225,000	Philip Morris International, Inc. #5.65% Due 05/16/2018	A	A2	229,806
250,000	Walgreen Company #5.25% Due 01/15/2019	A+	A2	253,287
	Financials - 22.31%			
250,000	HSBC Financial Corporation #5.50% Due 01/19/2016	AA-	Aa3	237,895
250,000	Bank of America Corporation #5.75% Due 12/01/2017	A+	A1	235,273
250,000	Wells Fargo & Company #5.625% Due 12/11/2017	AA	Aa3	249,240
500,000	National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation #5.45% Due 02/01/2018	A+	A1	481,215
	Industrials - 8.72%			
500,000	General Electric Capital Corporation #5.625% Due 09/15/2017	AAA	Aaa	470,190
	Information Technology - 13.33%			
225,000	IBM Corporation #5.70% Due 09/14/2017	A+	A1	241,063
225,000	Hewlett-Packard Company #5.50% Due 03/01/2018	A	A2	237,217
225,000	Oracle Corporation #5.75% Due 04/15/2018	A	A2	240,608
	Materials - 11.04%			
352,000	Monsanto Company #5.125% Due 04/15/2018	A+	A2	359,994
225,000	DuPont (E.I.) de Nemours & Company #6.00% Due 07/15/2018	A	A2	235,629
	Telecommunication Services - 17.21%			
675,000	Verizon Communications, Inc. #5.50% Due 04/01/2017	A	A3	670,937
250,000	AT&T, Inc. #5.60% Due 05/15/2018	A	A2	258,102
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\$ 5,352,000				\$ 5,394,855
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For an explanation of the footnotes used on this page, see "Notes to Portfolio".
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Notes to Portfolio

- (1) The bonds are represented by "regular way" or "when issued" contracts for the performance of which an irrevocable letter of credit, obtained from an affiliate of the Trustee, has been deposited with the Trustee. Contracts to acquire the bonds were entered into during the period from January 23, 2009 to January 26, 2009.
- (2) The Offering Price to Trust of the bonds is based on the offering side valuation as of the opening of business on the Date of Deposit determined by the Evaluator on the basis set forth under "Public Offering - Unit Price" in Prospectus Part II. In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements", the Trust's investments are classified as Level 2, which refers to security prices determined using other significant observable inputs. Observable inputs are inputs that other market participants would use in pricing a security. These may include quoted market prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds and credit risk. Other information regarding the bonds is as follows:

Cost to Sponsor	Profit (Loss) to Sponsor
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\$ 5,349,529	\$ 45,326

The Sponsor may have entered into contracts which hedge interest rate fluctuations on certain bonds. The cost of any such contracts and the corresponding gain or loss as of the evaluation time of the bonds is included in the Cost to Sponsor. Bonds marked by "##" following the maturity date have been purchased on a "when, as and if issued" or "delayed delivery" basis. Interest on these bonds begins accruing to the benefit of Unitholders

on their respective dates of delivery. Delivery is expected to take place at various dates after the first settlement date.

"#" prior to the coupon rate indicates that the bond was issued at an original issue discount. See "The Trust--Risk Factors" in Prospectus Part II. The tax effect of bonds issued at an original issue discount is described in "Federal Tax Status" in Prospectus Part II.

- (3) "NR" indicates that the rating service did not provide a rating for that bond. For a brief description of the ratings see "Description of Ratings" in the Information Supplement.
- (4) This bond has a "make whole" call option and is redeemable in whole or in part at any time at the option of the issuer at a redemption price that is generally equal to the sum of the principal amount of the bonds, a "make whole" amount, and any accrued and unpaid interest to the date of redemption. The "make whole" amount is generally equal to the excess, if any, of (i) the aggregate present value as of the date of redemption of principal being redeemed and the amount of interest (exclusive of interest accrued to the date of redemption) that would have been payable if redemption had not been made, determined by discounting the remaining principal and interest at a specified rate (which varies from bond to bond and is generally equal to an average of yields on U.S. Treasury obligations with maturities corresponding to the remaining life of the bond plus a premium rate) from the dates on which the principal and interest would have been payable if the redemption had not been made, over (ii) the aggregate principal amount of the bonds being redeemed. In addition, the bonds may also be subject to redemption without premium at any time pursuant to extraordinary optional or mandatory redemptions if certain events occur. See "The Trust--Risk Factors" in Prospectus Part II.

Underwriting. The Underwriters named below have purchased Units in the following amounts from the Sponsor, the sole and exclusive principal underwriter. See "Public Offering--Sponsor and Underwriter Compensation" in Prospectus Part II.

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Name	Address	Units
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<S>	<C>	<C>
Van Kampen Funds Inc.	One Parkview Plaza, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois 60181	1,802
Edward Jones & Co.	201 Progress Parkway, Maryland Heights, Missouri 63043	1,800
SWS Securities Inc.	1201 Elm Street, Suite 4300, Dallas, Texas 75270	1,000
RBC Dain Rauscher Inc.	60 South Sixth Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402	500
Morgan Stanley & Company, Inc.	1585 Broadway, New York, New York 10036	250

		5,352
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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Unitholders of Investment Grade Trust, Series 33 (included in Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Taxable Income Series 154):

We have audited the accompanying statement of condition including the related portfolio of Investment Grade Trust, Series 33 (included in Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Taxable Income Series 154) as of January 26, 2009. The statement of condition is the responsibility of the Sponsor. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on such statement of condition based on our audit.

We conducted our audit 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 statement of condition is free of material misstatement. The Trust is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Trust's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes

examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement of condition, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Sponsor, as well as evaluating the overall statement of condition presentation. Our procedures included confirmation with The Bank of New York Mellon, Trustee, of cash or an irrevocable letter of credit deposited for the purchase of securities as shown in the statement of condition as of January 26, 2009. We believe that our audit of the statement of condition provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of condition referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Investment Grade Trust, Series 33 (included in Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Taxable Income Series 154) as of January 26, 2009, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

New York, New York
January 26, 2009

GRANT THORNTON LLP

Statement of Condition
As of the opening of business on January 26, 2009

INVESTMENT IN BONDS	
Contracts to purchase bonds (1) (2)	\$ 5,394,855
Accrued interest to the first settlement date (1) (2)	80,113
Cash (3)	33,181

Total	\$ 5,508,149

LIABILITY AND INTEREST OF UNITHOLDERS	
Liability--	
Accrued interest payable to Sponsor (1) (2)	\$ 80,113
Organization costs (3)	33,181
Interest of Unitholders--	
Cost to investors	5,594,888
Less: Gross underwriting commission	166,852
Less: Organization costs (3)	33,181

Net interest to Unitholders (1) (2)	5,394,855

Total	\$ 5,508,149

Units outstanding	5,352

Net asset value per Unit	\$ 1,008.01

(1) The value of the bonds is determined by Standard & Poor's Securities Evaluations, Inc. on the bases set forth under "Public Offering--Offering Price" in Prospectus Part II. The contracts to purchase bonds are collateralized by an irrevocable letter of credit in an amount sufficient to satisfy such contracts.

(2) The Trustee will advance the amount of the net interest accrued to the first settlement date to the Trust for distribution to the Sponsor as the Unitholder of record as of such date.

(3) A portion of the public offering price represents an amount of cash sufficient to pay for all or a portion of the costs incurred in establishing the Trust. The amount of these costs are set forth under "Summary of Essential Financial Information--Expenses". A distribution will be made as of the earlier of six months after the Date of Deposit or the close of the initial offering period to an account maintained by the Trustee from which the organization expense obligation of the investors will be satisfied. To the extent that actual organization costs of the Trust are greater than the estimated amount, only the estimated organization costs added to the public offering price will be reimbursed to the Sponsor and deducted from the assets of the Trust.

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- (1) Call our 24-Hour Pricing Line
(800) 953-6785
- (1) Visit our Unit Trusts Daily Prices Page
<http://www.vankampen.com>

, Account Questions

- (1) Contact the Trustee
(800) 221-7668

, Learn More About Unit Trusts

- (1) Contact your financial advisor
- (1) Visit our Unit Trust Internet Page
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, Additional Information

You may obtain an Information Supplement that provides more details about your trust and its policies.

- (1) Visit the SEC Internet Site
<http://www.sec.gov>
- (1) Contact the Trustee
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Prospectus Part I

January 26, 2009

Investment Grade Trust, Series 33

Van Kampen Funds Inc.

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Prospectus Part II

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THE TRUSTS

General. Your Trust was created under the laws of the State of New York pursuant to a Trust Indenture and Agreement (the "Trust Agreement"), dated the date of this prospectus (the "Date of Deposit") among Van Kampen Funds Inc., as Sponsor, Standard & Poor's Securities Evaluations, Inc., as Evaluator, Van Kampen Asset Management, as Supervisor, and The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee.

Your Trust may be an appropriate medium for investors who desire to participate in a portfolio of taxable bonds with greater diversification than they might be able to acquire individually. Diversification of a Trust's assets will not eliminate the risk of loss always inherent in the ownership of bonds. For a breakdown of your Trust's portfolio, see "Portfolio" in Prospectus Part I. In addition, bonds of the type initially deposited in the portfolio of a Trust are often not available in small amounts and may, in the case of any privately placed bonds, be available only to institutional investors.

On the Date of Deposit, the Sponsor deposited with the Trustee the aggregate principal amount of bonds indicated in the "Summary of Essential Financial Information" in Prospectus Part I. The bonds initially consist of delivery statements relating to contracts for their purchase and cash, cash equivalents and/or irrevocable letters of credit issued by a financial institution. Thereafter, the Trustee, in exchange for the bonds, delivered to the Sponsor evidence of ownership of the number of Units indicated under "Summary of Essential Financial Information" in Prospectus Part I. A Trust that holds primarily long-term bonds, as described on the cover of Prospectus Part I, is referred to herein as a "Long-Term Trust". A Trust that holds primarily intermediate-term bonds, as described on the cover of Prospectus Part I, is referred to herein as an "Intermediate-Term Trust". A Trust that holds a portfolio of bonds with "laddered" maturities, as described on the cover of Prospectus Part I, is referred to herein as a Trust". Trusts that hold only insured bonds are referred to herein as "Insured Trusts". Unless otherwise terminated as provided herein, the Trust Agreement will terminate at the end of the calendar year prior to the fiftieth anniversary of its execution in the case of a Long-Term Trust and at the end of the calendar year prior to the twentieth anniversary of its execution in the case of an Intermediate-Term Trust.

Each Unit initially offered represents a fractional undivided interest in the principal and net income of the Trust. To the extent that any Units are redeemed by the Trustee, the fractional undivided interest in the Trust represented by each Unit will increase, although the actual interest in the Trust will remain unchanged. Units will remain outstanding until redeemed by Unitholders or until the termination of the Trust Agreement.

Objective and Bond Selection. The objective of a Long-Term Trust is to provide a high level of current income and to preserve capital by investing in a portfolio primarily consisting of long-term bonds. The objective of an Intermediate-Term Trust is to provide a high level of current income and to preserve capital by investing in a portfolio primarily consisting of intermediate-term bonds. The objective of a Laddered Trust is to provide a high level of current income and to preserve capital by investing in a portfolio consisting of bonds with laddered maturities of approximately 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 years from the Date of Deposit. There is, of course, no guarantee that a Trust will achieve its objective. Your Trust may be an appropriate investment vehicle for investors who desire to participate in a portfolio of fixed income bonds with greater diversification than they might be able to acquire individually.

In selecting bonds for each Trust, the Sponsor considered the following

factors, among others: (a) with respect to Insured Trusts, the bonds must have a Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, Inc. ("S&P") rating of AAA or a Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") rating of Aaa and with respect to all other trusts, the bonds must have an S&P rating of at least "BBB-", a Moody's rating of at least "Baa3" or, if not rated, credit characteristics sufficiently similar to those of comparable bonds that were so rated as to be acceptable for acquisition by a Trust in the opinion of the Sponsor, (b) the prices of the bonds relative to other bonds of comparable quality and maturity, (c) the current income provided by the bonds; (d) the diversification of bonds as to purpose of issue and location of issuer; (e) the probability of early return of principal or high legal or event risk. After the Date of Deposit, a bond may cease to be rated or its rating may be reduced below the minimum required as of the Date of Deposit. Neither event requires elimination of a bond from a Trust but may be considered in the Sponsor's determination as to whether or not to direct the Trustee to dispose of the bond (see "Trust Administration--Portfolio Administration"). In particular, the ratings of the bonds in a Long-Term Investment Grade Trust or an Investment Grade Trust could fall below "investment grade" (i.e., below "BBB-" or "Baa3") during the Trust's life and the Trust could continue to hold the bonds. See "The Trusts--Risk Factors".

Insurance guaranteeing the timely payment, when due, of all principal and interest on the bonds in an Insured Trust has been obtained from a bond insurance company. For information relating to insurance on the bonds, see "Insurance on the Bonds in an Insured Trust". Neither the Public Offering Price nor any evaluation of Units for purposes of repurchases or redemptions reflects any element of value for the insurance obtained by an Insured Trust unless bonds are in default in payment of principal or interest or in significant risk of such default. See "Public Offering--Unit Price".

In order for bonds to be eligible for insurance, they must have credit characteristics which would qualify them for at least the S&P rating of "BBB-" or at least the Moody's rating of "Baa3", which in brief represent the lowest ratings for securities of investment grade (see "Description of Ratings" in the Information Supplement). Insurance is not a substitute for the basic credit of an issuer, but supplements the existing credit and provides additional security. If an issue is accepted for insurance, a non-cancelable policy for the prompt payment of interest and principal on the bonds, when due, is issued by the insurer. A monthly premium is paid by a Trust for the insurance obtained by it. The Trustee has the right to obtain permanent insurance from a Portfolio Insurer in connection with the sale of a bond insured under the insurance policy obtained from the respective Portfolio Insurer by an Insured Trust upon the payment of a single predetermined insurance premium from the proceeds of the sale of such bond. Accordingly, any bond in an Insured Trust is eligible to be sold on an insured basis. All bonds insured by a Portfolio Insurer or by a Preinsured Bond Insurer receive a "AAA" rating by S&P. S&P describes securities it rates "AAA" as having "the highest rating assigned by S&P to a debt obligation. Capacity to pay interest and repay principal is extremely strong." See "Insurance on the Bonds in an Insured Trust".

Risk Factors. All investments involve risk. This section describes the main risks that can impact the value of bonds in your Trust. You should understand these risks before you invest. If the value of the bonds falls, the value of your Units will also fall. You can lose money by investing in a Trust. No one can guarantee that your Trust will achieve its objective or that your investment return will be positive over any period. The Information Supplement, which is available upon request, contains a more detailed discussion of risks related to your investment.

Market risk is the risk that the value of the bonds in your Trust will fluctuate. This could cause the value of your Units to fall below your original purchase price or below the par value. Market value fluctuates in response to various factors. These can include changes in interest rates, inflation, the financial condition of a bond's issuer or insurer, perceptions of the issuer or insurer, or ratings on a bond. Even though the Supervisor supervises your portfolio, you should remember that no one manages your portfolio. Your Trust will not sell a bond solely because the market value falls as is possible in a managed fund.

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of bonds will fall if interest rates increase. Bonds typically fall in value when interest rates rise and rise in value when interest rates fall. Bonds with longer periods before maturity are often more sensitive to interest rate changes.

Credit risk is the risk that a bond's issuer or insurer is unable to meet its obligation to pay principal or interest on the bond.

Call risk is the risk that the issuer prepays or "calls" a bond before its stated maturity. An issuer might call a bond if interest rates fall and the bond pays a higher interest rate or if it no longer needs the money for the original purpose. If an issuer calls a bond, your Trust will distribute the principal to you but your future interest distributions will fall. You might not be able to reinvest this principal at as high a yield. A bond's call price could be less than the price your Trust paid for the bond and could be below the bond's par value. This means that you could receive less than the amount you paid for your Units. If enough bonds in your Trust are called, your Trust could terminate early. Some or all of the bonds may also be subject to extraordinary optional or mandatory redemptions if certain events occur, such as certain changes in tax laws, the substantial damage or destruction by fire or other casualty of the project for which the proceeds of the bonds were used, and various other events. The call provisions are described in general terms in Prospectus Part I. Additional discussion of call provisions appears in the Information Supplement.

Bond quality risk is the risk that a bond will fall in value if a rating agency decreases the bond's rating. Bond concentration risk is the risk that your Trust is less diversified because it concentrates in a particular type of bond. When a certain type of bond makes up 25% or more of a Trust, the Trust is considered to be "concentrated" in that bond type. The different bond types are described in the following sections.

Reduced diversification risk is the risk that your Trust will become smaller and less diversified as bonds are sold, are called or mature. This could increase your risk of loss and increase your share of Trust expenses.

Insurer default risk is the risk that an investor of an insured trust could lose income and/or principal if the issuer and the insurer of a municipal bond both default in making their payment obligations.

Liquidity risk is the risk that the value of a bond will fall if trading in the bond is limited or absent. No one can guarantee that a liquid trading market will exist for any bond because these bonds generally trade in the over-the-counter market (they are not listed on a securities exchange).

Litigation and legislation risk is the risk that future litigation or legislation could affect the value of your Trust. Litigation could challenge an issuer's authority to issue or make payments on bonds.

Taxable Municipal Bonds. Your Trust may invest significantly or exclusively in taxable municipal bonds. States, municipalities and public authorities issue these bonds to raise money for a variety of purposes. In selecting bonds, the Sponsor seeks to diversify your portfolio by bond purpose. This section briefly describes different bond types to help you better understand your investment. The types of bonds in your portfolio are listed in Prospectus Part I. These bonds are also described in greater detail in the Information Supplement.

General obligation bonds are backed by the general taxing power of the issuer. The issuer secures these bonds by pledging its faith, credit and unlimited taxing power for the payment of principal and interest.

Revenue bonds are payable only from the revenue of a specific project or authority. They are not supported by the issuer's general power to levy taxes. The risk of default in payment of interest or principal increases if the income of the related project falters because that income is the only source of payment. All of the following bonds are revenue bonds.

Airport bonds are obligations of issuers that own and operate airports. The ability of the issuer to make payments on these bonds primarily depends on the ability of airlines to meet their obligations under use agreements. Due to increased competition, deregulation, increased fuel costs and other factors, some airlines may have difficulty meeting these obligations.

Bond banks are vehicles that pool various municipal obligations into larger offerings. This reduces the cost of borrowing for the municipalities. The types of financing projects that these obligations support vary.

Certificates of participation are generally a type of municipal lease obligation. Lease payments of a governmental entity secure payments on these bonds. These payments depend on the governmental entity budgeting appropriations for the lease payments. A governmental body cannot obligate future governments to appropriate for or make lease payments, but governments typically promise to take action necessary to include lease payments in their budgets. If a government fails to budget for or make lease payments, sufficient funds may not exist to pay interest or principal on these bonds.

Health care bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenue from hospitals and hospital systems. The ability of these issuers to make payments on bonds depends on factors such as facility occupancy levels, demand for services, competition resulting from hospital mergers and affiliations, the need to reduce costs, government regulation, costs of malpractice insurance and claims, and government financial assistance (such as Medicare and Medicaid).

Higher education bonds are obligations of issuers that operate universities and colleges. These issuers derive revenues from tuition, dormitories, grants and endowments. These issuers face problems related to declines in the number of college-age individuals, possible inability to raise tuitions and fees, uncertainty of continued federal grants, state funding or donations, and government legislation or regulation.

Industrial revenue bonds finance the cost of acquiring, building or improving industrial projects. Private corporations usually operate these projects. The ability of the issuer to make payments on these bonds depends on factors such as the creditworthiness of the corporation operating the project, revenues generated by the project, expenses of the project and environmental or other regulatory restrictions.

Multi-family housing bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from mortgage loans on multiple family residences, retirement housing or housing projects for low to moderate-income families. These bonds are generally pre-payable at any time. It is likely that their life will be less than their stated maturity. The ability of these issuers to make payments on bonds depends on such factors as rental income, occupancy levels, operating expenses, mortgage default rates, taxes, government regulations and appropriation of subsidies.

Other care bonds include obligations of issuers that derive revenue from mental health facilities, nursing homes and intermediate care facilities. These bonds are similar to health care bonds and the issuers face the same general risks.

Public building bonds finance the cost of acquiring, leasing, building or improving public buildings such as offices, recreation facilities, convention centers, police stations, correctional institutions and parking garages. The ability of the issuers to make payments on these bonds depends on factors such as the government budgeting sufficient funds to make lease or mortgage payments on the facility, user fees or rents, costs of maintenance and decreases in use of the facility.

Public education bonds are obligations of issuers that operate primary and secondary schools. The ability of these issuers to make payments on these bonds depends primarily on ad valorem taxes. These issuers may also face problems related to litigation contesting state constitutionality of public education financing.

Retail electric/gas/telephone bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from the retail sale of utilities to customers. The ability of these issuers to make payments on these bonds depends on factors such as the rates and demand for these utilities, competition, government regulation and rate approvals, overhead expenses and the cost of fuels.

Single family housing bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from mortgage loans on single family residences. Single family residences generally include one to four-family dwellings. These bonds are similar to multi-family housing bonds and the issuers face the same general risks.

Tax district bonds are obligations secured by a pledge of taxing power by a municipality, such as tax increment financing or tax allocation bonds. These bonds are similar to general obligation bonds. Unlike general obligation bonds, however, the municipality does not pledge its unlimited taxing power to pay these bonds. Instead, the municipality pledges revenues from a specific tax to pay these bonds. If the tax cannot support payment of interest and principal, a municipality may need to raise the related tax to pay these bonds. An inability to raise the tax could have an adverse affect on these bonds.

Transportation bonds are obligations of issuers that own and operate public transit systems, ports, highways, turnpikes, bridges and other transportation systems. The ability of these issuers to make payments on these bonds depends on variations in use, the degree of government subsidization, competition from other forms of transportation and increased costs. Port authorities derive revenues primarily from fees imposed on ships using the port facilities. These fees can fluctuate depending on the local economy and competition from air, rail

and truck transportation. Increased fuel costs, alternative transportation modes and competition from toll-free bridges and roads will impact revenues of issuers that operate bridges, roads or tunnels.

Waste disposal bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from resource recovery facilities. These facilities process solid waste, generate steam and convert steam to electricity. These issuers face problems such as costs and delays due to environmental concerns, effects of conservation and recycling, destruction or condemnation of a project, void or unenforceable contracts, changes in the economic availability of raw materials, operating supplies or facilities, and other unavoidable changes that adversely affect operation of a project.

Water and sewer bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from user fees from the sale of water and sewerage services. These issuers face problems such as the ability to obtain rate increases, population declines, difficulties in obtaining new fresh water supplies and "no-growth" zoning ordinances. These issuers also face many of the same problems of waste disposal issuers.

Wholesale electric bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from selling electricity to other utilities. The ability of these issuers to make payments on these bonds depends on factors such as the rates and demand for electric utilities, competition, overhead expenses and government regulation and rate approvals.

State Risk Factors. Your Trust may invest significantly in taxable municipal bonds of issuers from a particular state. The financial condition of a state may be affected by various national, economic, social and environmental policies and conditions. Additionally, limitations imposed by constitutional amendments, legislative measures, or voter initiatives on a state and its local governments concerning taxes, bond indebtedness and other matters may constrain the revenue-generating capacity of the state and its local governments and, therefore, the ability of the issuers of the bonds to satisfy their obligations.

The economic vitality of a state and its various regions and, therefore, the ability of the state and its local governments to satisfy the bonds, are affected by numerous factors, such as natural disasters, complications with exports and industry deregulation.

A state may be a party to numerous lawsuits in which an adverse final decision could materially affect the state's governmental operations and consequently its ability to pay debt service on its obligations.

Consumer Product and Retail Issuers. Your Trust may invest significantly in bonds issued by companies that manufacture or sell various consumer products. General risks of these companies include the general state of the economy, intense competition and consumer spending trends. A decline in the economy which results in a reduction of consumers' disposable income can negatively impact spending habits. Competitiveness in the retail industry will require large capital outlays for the installation of automated checkout equipment to control inventory, track the sale of items and gauge the success of sales campaigns. Retailers who sell their products over the Internet have the potential to access more consumers, but will require sophisticated technology to remain competitive. Changes in demographics and consumer tastes can also affect the demand for, and the success of, consumer products and services in the marketplace.

Financial Services Issuers. Your Trust may invest significantly in bonds issued by financial services companies. Any negative impact on this industry will have a greater impact on the value of Units than on a portfolio diversified over several industries. You should understand the risks of this industry before you invest. Banks and their holding companies are especially subject to the adverse effects of economic recession; volatile interest rates; portfolio concentrations in geographic markets and in commercial and residential real estate loans; and competition from new entrants in their fields of business. In addition, banks and their holding companies are extensively regulated at both the federal and state level and may be adversely affected by increased regulation. Bank profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds, and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition.

The effects of the sub-prime mortgage crisis that began to unfold in 2007 continue to manifest in nearly all the sub-divisions of the financial services industry. Sub-prime mortgage related losses and write downs among investment banks and similar institutions reached significant levels in 2008. The impact of these losses among traditional banks, investment banks, broker/dealers and

insurers has forced a number of large such institutions into either liquidation or combination, while drastically increasing the credit risk, and possibility of default, of bonds issued by such institutions faced with these troubles. In some cases, the U.S. government has acted to bail out select institutions, such as insurers, however the risk of default by such issuers has nonetheless increased substantially.

The U.S. Department of the Treasury has recently submitted legislation, which has been approved by Congress, requesting the authority to issue up to \$700 billion of Treasury securities to finance the purchase of troubled assets from financial institutions. There can be no assurance that the risks associated with investment in financial services company stocks will decrease as a result of this legislation.

Banks face increased competition from nontraditional lending sources as regulatory changes, such as the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act financial services overhaul legislation, permitting new entrants to offer various financial products. Technological advances such as the Internet allow these nontraditional lending sources to cut overhead and permit the more efficient use of customer data. Banks continue to face tremendous pressure from mutual funds, brokerage firms and other financial service providers in the competition to furnish services that were traditionally offered by banks.

Companies engaged in investment management and broker-dealer activities are subject to volatility in their earnings and share prices that often exceeds the volatility of the securities markets in general. Adverse changes in the direction of the securities markets, investor confidence, equity transaction volume, the level and direction of interest rates and the outlook of emerging markets could adversely affect the financial stability of these companies. Additionally, competitive pressures, including increased competition with new and existing competitors, the ongoing commoditization of traditional businesses and the need for increased capital expenditures on new technology could adversely impact the profit margins of companies in the investment management and brokerage industries. Companies involved in investment management and broker-dealer activities are also subject to extensive regulation by government agencies and self-regulatory organizations, and changes in laws, regulations or rules, or in the interpretation of such laws, regulations and rules could adversely affect such companies.

Companies involved in the insurance, reinsurance and risk management industry underwrite, sell or distribute property, casualty and business insurance. Many factors affect insurance, reinsurance and risk management company profits, including interest rate movements, the imposition of premium rate caps, a misapprehension of the risks involved in given underwritings, competition and pressure to compete globally, weather catastrophes or other disasters and the effects of client mergers. Already extensively regulated, insurance companies' profits may be adversely affected by increased government regulations or tax law changes.

Telecommunications Issuers. Your Trust may invest significantly in bonds issued by telecommunications companies. These companies are subject to substantial governmental regulation. For example, the United States government and state governments regulate permitted rates of return and the kinds of services that a company may offer. This industry has experienced substantial deregulation in recent years. Deregulation may lead to fierce competition for market share and can have a negative impact on certain companies. Recent federal legislation governing the United States telecommunications industry remains subject to judicial review and additional interpretation, which may adversely affect the companies whose securities are held by your Trust. Competitive pressures are intense and telecommunications stocks can experience rapid volatility. Certain telecommunications products may become outdated very rapidly. A company's performance can be hurt if the company fails to keep pace with technological advances.

Several recent high-profile bankruptcies of large telecommunications companies have illustrated the potentially unstable condition of telecommunications companies. High debt loads that were accumulated during the industry growth spurt of the 1990s are catching up to the industry, causing debt and stock prices to trade at distressed levels for many telecommunications companies and increasing the cost of capital for needed additional investment. At the same time, demand for some telecommunications services has fallen sharply, as several key markets have become oversaturated, some local customers have switched to substitute providers and technologies, and corporate profits and the economy generally remain weak. To meet increasing competition, companies may have to commit substantial capital, particularly in the formulation of new products and services using new technologies. As a result, many companies have

been compelled to cut costs by reducing their workforce, outsourcing, consolidating and/or closing existing facilities and divesting low selling product lines. Furthermore, certain companies involved in the industry have also faced scrutiny for alleged accounting irregularities that may have led to the overstatement of their financial results, and other companies in the industry may face similar scrutiny. Due to these and other factors, the risk level of owning the securities of telecommunications companies has increased substantially and may continue to rise.

Certain smaller companies in the portfolio may involve greater risk than larger, established issuers. Smaller companies may have limited product lines, markets or financial resources. Their securities may trade in lower volumes than larger companies. As a result, the prices of these securities may fluctuate more than the prices of securities of other issuers.

More About the Bonds. In addition to describing the purpose of the bonds, other information about the bonds is also listed in the "Portfolio" in Prospectus Part I. This information relates to other characteristics of the bonds. This section briefly describes some of these characteristics.

Original issue discount bonds were initially issued at a price below their face (or par) value. These bonds typically pay a lower interest rate than comparable bonds that were issued at or above their par value. In a stable interest rate environment, the market value of these bonds tends to increase more slowly in early years and in greater increments as the bonds approach maturity. The issuers of these bonds may be able to call or redeem a bond before its stated maturity date and at a price less than the bond's par value.

Zero coupon bonds are a type of original issue discount bond. These bonds do not pay any current interest during their life. If an investor owns this type of bond, the investor has the right to receive a final payment of the bond's par value at maturity. The price of these bonds often fluctuates greatly during periods of changing market interest rates compared to bonds that make current interest payments. The issuers of these bonds may be able to call or redeem a bond before its stated maturity date and at a price less than the bond's par value.

"When, as and if issued" bonds are bonds that trade before they are actually issued. This means that the Sponsor can only deliver them to your Trust "when, as and if" the bonds are actually issued. Delivery of these bonds may be delayed or may not occur. Interest on these bonds does not begin accruing to your Trust until the Sponsor delivers the bond to the Trust. You may have to adjust your tax basis if the Sponsor delivers any of these bonds after the expected delivery date. Any adjustment would reflect interest that accrued between the time you purchased your Units and the delivery of the bonds to your Trust. This could lower your first year estimated current return. You may experience gains or losses on these bonds from the time you purchase Units even though your Trust has not yet received them.

No FDIC Guarantee. An investment in your Trust is not a deposit of any bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

ESTIMATED CURRENT AND LONG-TERM RETURNS

The Estimated Current Returns and the Estimated Long-Term Returns as of the Date of Deposit are set forth on the cover of Prospectus Part I. Estimated Current Return is calculated by dividing the estimated net annual interest income per Unit by the Public Offering Price. The estimated net annual interest income per Unit will vary with changes in fees and expenses of your Trust and with the principal prepayment, redemption, maturity, exchange or sale of bonds. The Public Offering Price will vary with changes in the price of the bonds. Accordingly, there is no assurance that the present Estimated Current Return will be realized in the future. Estimated Long-Term Return is calculated using a formula which (1) takes into consideration, and determines and factors in the relative weightings of, the market values, yields (which takes into account the amortization of premiums and the accretion of discounts) and estimated retirements of the bonds and (2) takes into account the expenses and sales charge associated with Units. Since the value and estimated retirements of the bonds and the expenses of your Trust will change, there is no assurance that the present Estimated Long-Term Return will be realized in the future. The Estimated Current Return and Estimated Long-Term Return are expected to differ because the calculation of Estimated Long-Term Return reflects the estimated date and amount of principal returned while the Estimated Current Return calculation includes only net annual interest income and Public Offering Price.

In order to acquire certain bonds, it may be necessary for the Sponsor or Trustee to pay amounts covering accrued interest on the bonds which exceed the amounts which will be made available through cash furnished by the Sponsor on the Date of Deposit. This cash may exceed the interest which would accrue to the First Settlement Date. The Trustee has agreed to pay for any amounts necessary to cover any excess and will be reimbursed when funds become available from interest payments on the related bonds.

PUBLIC OFFERING

General. Units are offered at the Public Offering Price. During the initial offering period the Public Offering Price is based on the aggregate offering price of the bonds, the sales charge described below, cash, if any, in the Principal Account (including cash to pay organization costs) and accrued interest, if any. The sales charge for an Intermediate-Term Trust is equal to 3.0% of the public offering price per Unit (3.093% of the aggregate offering price of the bonds), the sales charge for a Laddered Trust is equal to 3.90% of the public offering price per Unit (4.058% of the aggregate offering price of the bonds) and the sales charge for a Long-Term Trust is equal to 4.9% of the public offering price per Unit (5.152% of the aggregate offering price of the bonds). After the initial public offering period, the secondary market public offering price is based on the bid prices of the bonds, the sales charge described below, cash, if any, in the Principal Account and accrued interest, if any. The actual sales charge that may be paid by an investor may differ slightly from the sales charges shown herein due to rounding that occurs in the calculation of the Public Offering Price and in the number of Units purchased. The minimum purchase in the primary and secondary market is one Unit. Certain broker-dealers or selling firms may charge an order handling fee for processing Unit purchases.

The secondary market sales charge is computed as described in the following table based upon the estimated long-term return life ("ELTR Life") of your Trust's portfolio:

ELTR Life	Sales Charge
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1	1.010%
2	1.523
3	2.041
4	2.302
5	2.564
6	2.828
7	3.093
8	3.627
9	4.167
10	4.384
11	4.603
12	4.712
13	4.822
14	4.932
15	5.042
16	5.152
17	5.263
18	5.374
19	5.485
20	5.597
21 to 30	5.708

The ELTR Life represents the estimated life of the bonds in a Trust's portfolio as determined for purposes of calculating Estimated Long-Term Return. See "Estimated Current and Long-Term Returns". The sales charges in the above table are expressed as a percentage of the aggregate bid prices of the bonds.

Reducing Your Sales Charge. The Sponsor offers a variety of ways for you to reduce the sales charge that you pay. It is your financial professional's responsibility to alert the Sponsor of any discount when you purchase Units. Before you purchase Units you must also inform your broker-dealer of your qualification for any discount or of any combined purchases to be eligible for a reduced sales charge.

Large Quantity Purchases. You can reduce your sales charge by increasing the size of your investment. If you purchase the amount of Units shown in the table below during the initial offering period, your sales charge will be as follows:

Sales Reduction per Unit

Aggregate Number of Units Purchased	Intermediate-Term and Laddered Trusts	Long-Term Trusts
100-249 Units	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00
250-499 Units	6.00	6.00
500-999 Units	9.00	14.00
1,000 or more Units	11.00	19.00

Except as described below, these quantity discount levels apply only to purchases of a single Trust made by the same person on a single day from a single broker-dealer. We apply these sales charges as a percent of the Public Offering Price per Unit at the time of purchase. We also apply the different purchase levels on a dollar basis using a \$1,000 Unit equivalent. For example, if you purchase between \$250,000 and \$499,999, your sales charge discount per Unit for a Long-Term Trust will be \$6.

Aggregated Purchases--For purposes of achieving these levels you may combine purchases of Units of a Trust offered in this prospectus with purchases of units of any other Van Kampen-sponsored unit investment trust in the initial offering period (including other Trusts offered in this prospectus). In addition, Units purchased in the name of your spouse or children under 21 living in the same household as you will be deemed to be additional purchases by you for the purposes of calculating the applicable quantity discount level. The reduced sales charge levels will also be applicable to a trustee or other fiduciary purchasing Units for a single trust, estate (including multiple trusts created under a single estate) or fiduciary account. To be eligible for aggregation as described in this paragraph, all purchases must be made on the same day through a single broker-dealer or selling agent. You must inform your broker-dealer of any combined purchases before your purchase to be eligible for a reduced sales charge.

Letter of Intent--For purposes of calculating the reduced sales charge for quantity purchases in the table above, purchasers who have entered into a letter of intent with the Sponsor prior to February 20, 2007, to purchase a specified amount of Units of Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Taxable Income Series or Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Municipal Series unit investment trusts during the initial offering period will be eligible to receive a reduced sales charge according to the quantity discount table above based on the amount of intended aggregate purchases as expressed in the letter of intent. New letters of intent are no longer being offered. By establishing a letter of intent, a Unitholder agrees that the first purchase of Units following the execution of such letter of intent will be at least 5% of the total amount of the intended aggregate purchases expressed in the Unitholder's letter of intent. Further, through the establishment of the letter of intent, the Unitholder agrees that Units representing 5% of the total amount of the intended purchases will be held in escrow by the Trustee pending completion of these purchases. All distributions on Units held in escrow will be credited to the Unitholder's account. If total purchases prior to the expiration of the letter of intent period equal or exceed the amount specified in a Unitholder's letter of intent, the Units held in escrow will be transferred to the Unitholder's account. A Unitholder who purchases Units during the letter of intent period in excess of the number of Units specified in a Unitholder's letter of intent, the amount of which would cause the Unitholder to be eligible to receive an additional sales charge reduction, will be allowed such additional sales charge reduction on the purchase of Units which caused the Unitholder to reach such new breakpoint level and on all additional purchases of Units during the letter of intent period. If the total purchases are less than the amount specified, the Unitholder involved must pay the Sponsor an amount equal to the difference between the amounts paid for these purchases and the amounts which would have been paid if the higher sales charge had been applied; the Unitholder will, however, be entitled to any reduced sales charge qualified for by reaching any lower breakpoint level. If the Unitholder does not pay the additional amount within 20 days after request by the Sponsor or the Unitholder's securities representative, the Sponsor will instruct the Trustee to redeem an appropriate number of the escrowed Units to meet the required payment. By establishing a letter of intent, a Unitholder irrevocably appoints the Sponsor as attorney to give instructions to redeem any or all of the Unitholder's escrowed Units, with full power of substitution in the premises. A Unitholder or his securities representative must notify the Sponsor whenever the Unitholder makes a purchase of Units that he wishes to be counted towards the intended amount.

Fee Accounts. A portion of the sales charge is waived for certain accounts described in this paragraph. Purchases by these accounts are subject only to the

portion of the sales charge that is retained by the Sponsor. Please refer to the section called "Fee Accounts" for additional information on these purchases. Units may be purchased in the primary or secondary market at the Public Offering Price less the concession the Sponsor typically allows to brokers and dealers for purchases by investors who purchase Units through registered investment advisers, certified financial planners and registered broker-dealers who in each case either charge periodic fees for brokerage services, financial planning, investment advisory or asset management services, or provide such services in connection with the establishment of an investment account for which a comprehensive "wrap fee" charge ("Wrap Fee") is imposed ("Fee Accounts") if the Units are purchased for a Fee Account and the Trust is subject to a Wrap Fee (i.e. the Trust is "Wrap Fee Eligible"). The Sponsor reserves the right to limit or deny purchases of Units described in this paragraph by investors or selling firms whose frequent trading activity is determined to be detrimental to a Trust.

Exchanges. During the initial offering period of a Trust, unitholders of any Van Kampen-sponsored unit investment trust and unitholders of unaffiliated unit investment trusts may utilize their redemption or termination proceeds from such a trust to purchase Units of a Trust offered in this prospectus at a reduced sales charge. The reduced sales charge will be equal to the lesser of \$35 per Unit or 3.50% of the Public Offering Price per Unit for a Long-Term Trust and will be equal to the lesser of \$25 or 2.50% of the Public Offering Price per Unit for an Intermediate-Term or Laddered Trust. In order to be eligible for the sales charge discounts applicable to Unit purchases made with redemption or termination proceeds from other unit investment trusts, the termination or redemption proceeds used to purchase Units of a Trust must be derived from a transaction that occurred within 30 days of your Unit purchase. In addition, the discounts will only be available for investors that utilize the same broker-dealer (or a different broker-dealer with appropriate notification) for both the Unit purchase and the transaction resulting in the receipt of the termination or redemption proceeds used for the Unit purchase. You may be required to provide appropriate documentation or other information to your broker-dealer to evidence your eligibility for these reduced sales charge discounts. The exchange will generally be treated as a sale and a taxable transaction for federal income tax purposes.

Employees. Employees, officers and directors (including their spouses and children under 21 living in the same household, and trustees, custodians or fiduciaries for the benefit of such persons (collectively referred to herein as "related purchasers")) of Van Kampen Funds Inc. and its affiliates and Underwriters and their affiliates may purchase Units at the Public Offering Price less the applicable underwriting commission or less the applicable dealer concession in the absence of an underwriting commission. Employees, officers and directors (including related purchasers) of dealers and their affiliates may purchase Units at the Public Offering Price less the applicable dealer concession. All employee discounts are subject to the policies of the related selling firm. Only employees, officers and directors of companies that allow their employees to participate in this employee discount program are eligible for the discounts.

Unit Price. The Public Offering Price of Units will vary from the amounts stated under "Summary of Essential Financial Information" in Prospectus Part I in accordance with fluctuations in the prices of the bonds. The price of Units as of the opening of business on the Date of Deposit was determined by adding the applicable sales charge and organization costs to the aggregate offering price of the bonds and dividing the sum by the number of Units outstanding. This price determination was made on the basis of an evaluation of the bonds prepared by the Evaluator. During the initial offering period, the Evaluator will value the bonds as of the Evaluation Time on days the New York Stock Exchange is open for business and will adjust the Public Offering Price of Units accordingly. The "Evaluation Time" is the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange on each day that the Exchange is open for trading, provided, however, on the Date of Deposit the Evaluation Time will be the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange or the time the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") becomes effective, if later. The secondary market Public Offering Price per Unit will be equal to the aggregate bid price of the bonds plus the applicable secondary market sales charge and dividing the sum by the number of Units outstanding. For secondary market purposes, this computation will be made by the Evaluator as of the Evaluation Time for each day on which any Unit is tendered for redemption and as necessary. The offering price of bonds may be expected to average approximately 0.35-1% more than the bid price. The Public Offering Price per Unit will be effective for all orders received prior to the Evaluation Time on each business day. Orders received by the Sponsor prior to the Evaluation Time and orders received by authorized financial professionals prior to the Evaluation Time that are properly

transmitted to the Sponsor by the time designated by the Sponsor, are priced based on the date of receipt. Orders received by the Sponsor after the Evaluation Time, and orders received by authorized financial professionals after the Evaluation Time or orders received by such persons that are not transmitted to the Sponsor until after the time designated by the Sponsor, are priced based on the date of the next determined Public Offering Price per Unit provided they are received timely by the Sponsor on such date. It is the responsibility of authorized financial professionals to transmit orders received by them to the Sponsor so they will be received in a timely manner.

The aggregate price of the bonds is determined on the basis of bid prices or offering prices, as is appropriate, (a) on the basis of current market prices obtained from dealers or brokers who customarily deal in bonds comparable to those held by your Trust; (b) if these prices are not available, on the basis of current market prices for comparable bonds; (c) by causing the value of the bonds to be determined by others engaged in the practice of evaluation, quoting or appraising comparable bonds; or (d) by any combination of the above. Market prices of the bonds will generally fluctuate with changes in market interest rates. Unless bonds are in default in payment of principal or interest or in significant risk of default, the Evaluator will not attribute any value to the insurance obtained by your Trust.

The Evaluator will consider in its evaluation of bonds which are in default in payment of principal or interest or, in the Sponsor's opinion, in significant risk of default (the "Defaulted Bonds") the value of any insurance guaranteeing interest and principal payments. The value of the insurance will be equal to the difference between (i) the market value of Defaulted Bonds assuming the exercise of the right to obtain Permanent Insurance (less the insurance premiums and related expenses attributable to the purchase of Permanent Insurance) and (ii) the market value of Defaulted Bonds not covered by Permanent Insurance. In addition, the Evaluator will consider the ability of a Portfolio Insurer to meet its commitments under any insurance policy, including commitments to issue Permanent Insurance. No value has been ascribed to insurance obtained by your Trust, if any, as of the date of this prospectus.

A person will become the owner of Units on the date of settlement provided payment has been received. Cash, if any, made available to the Sponsor prior to the date of settlement for the purchase of Units may be used in the Sponsor's business and may be deemed to be a benefit to the Sponsor, subject to the limitations of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Organization Costs. During the initial offering period, part of the Public Offering Price represents an amount of cash deposited to pay the costs incurred in establishing your Trust. These costs include the costs of preparing documents relating to the Trust (such as the registration statement, prospectus, trust agreement and legal documents), federal and state registration fees, the initial fees and expenses of the Trustee and the initial audit. Your Trust will reimburse us for these costs at the end of the initial offering period or after six months, if earlier. The value of your Units will decline when the Trust pays these costs.

Accrued Interest. Accrued interest is an accumulation of unpaid interest on securities which generally is paid semi-annually, although your Trust accrues interest daily. Because of this, your Trust always has an amount of interest earned but not yet collected by the Trustee. For this reason, with respect to sales settling after the First Settlement Date, the proportionate share of accrued interest to the settlement date is added to the Public Offering Price of Units. Unitholders will receive the amount of accrued interest paid on their Units on the next distribution date. In an effort to reduce the accrued interest which would have to be paid by Unitholders, the Trustee will advance the amount of accrued interest to the Sponsor as the Unitholder of record as of the First Settlement Date. Consequently, the accrued interest added to the Public Offering Price of Units will include only accrued interest from the First Settlement Date to the date of settlement, less any distributions from the Interest Account after the First Settlement Date. Because of the varying interest payment dates of the bonds, accrued interest at any point in time will be greater than the amount of interest actually received by your Trust and distributed to Unitholders. If a Unitholder sells or redeems all or a portion of his Units, he will be entitled to receive his proportionate share of the accrued interest from the purchaser of his Units.

Unit Distribution. Units will be distributed to the public by Underwriters, broker-dealers and others at the Public Offering Price, plus accrued interest. The Sponsor intends to qualify Units for sale in a number of states. During the initial offering period, the Sponsor and Underwriters will sell Units to non-Underwriter broker-dealers and selling agents at the Public Offering Price

(net of any sales charge discount) less the concession or agency commission described in the following sections.

Intermediate-Term Trusts. During the initial offering period, the Sponsor will sell Units of Intermediate-Term Trusts to non-Underwriter broker-dealers and selling agents at the Public Offering Price (net of any sales charge discount) less the gross concession or agency commission set forth in the following table.

Transaction Amount	Concession or Agency Commission
Less than 100 Units	\$20
100 Units - 249 Units	18
250 Units - 499 Units	17
500 Units - 999 Units	16
1,000 Units or more	13

Non-Underwriter broker-dealers and other selling agents who purchase an aggregate of 250 or more Units from the Sponsor during the initial offering period will receive a net concession equal to the concession allowed to Underwriters described under "Sponsor and Underwriter Compensation" below. The Sponsor will offer a rebate per Unit equal to the difference between the applicable gross broker-dealer concession and the related Underwriter concession so that the broker-dealer or selling agent receives the appropriate net concession or agency commission. The Sponsor will pay this rebate after the end of the initial offering period.

For initial offering period transactions involving unitholders of other unit investment trusts who use their redemption or termination proceeds to purchase Units of a Trust, the regular concession or agency commission allowed by the Sponsor to broker-dealers and other selling agents will equal \$17.50 per Unit for an Intermediate-Term Trust.

Underwriters other than the Sponsor will sell Units to other broker-dealers and selling agents at the Public Offering Price less a concession or agency commission not in excess of the concession allowed to the Underwriter by the Sponsor as described under "Sponsor and Underwriter Compensation" below.

Laddered Trusts. During the initial offering period, the Sponsor will sell Units of Laddered Trusts to non-Underwriter broker-dealers and selling agents at the Public Offering Price (net of any sales charge discount) less the gross concession or agency commission set forth in the following table.

Transaction Amount	Concession or Agency Commission
Less than 100 Units	\$25
100 Units - 249 Units	25
250 Units - 499 Units	24
500 Units - 999 Units	22
1,000 Units or more	20

Notwithstanding the preceding table, non-Underwriter broker-dealers and other selling agents that purchase 100 or more Units of a Trust from the Sponsor on the Date of Deposit ("Qualifying Broker-Dealers") will be allowed a concession or agency commission on such Units equal to the regular concession allowed to Underwriters described under "Sponsor and Underwriter Compensation" below. In addition, Qualifying Broker-Dealers will be allowed a concession or agency commission equal to \$27 per Unit on subsequent Unit purchases from the Sponsor throughout the remainder of the initial offering period, provided, however, that a Qualifying Broker-Dealer will be allowed a concession or agency commission equal to the concession or agency commission allowed to such firm on the Date of Deposit for subsequent purchases on a single day equal to the lesser of (a) 1,000 Units of a Trust (or all remaining Units if the sponsor has less than 1,000 unsold Units available for sale) or (b) the number of Units of a Trust purchased on the Date of Deposit.

Non-Underwriter broker-dealers and other selling agents (other than Qualifying Broker-Dealers) who purchase an aggregate of 250 or more Units from the Sponsor during the initial offering period will receive a net concession equal to \$27 per Unit. This net concession will be paid by allowing the regular gross concession at the time of purchase and the Sponsor will offer a rebate per Unit equal to the difference between the applicable gross broker-dealer

concession and \$27 per Unit so that the broker-dealer or selling agent receives the appropriate net concession or agency commission. The Sponsor will pay this rebate after the end of the initial offering period.

For initial offering period transactions involving unitholders of other unit investment trusts who use their redemption or termination proceeds to purchase Units of a Laddered Trust, the regular concession or agency commission allowed by the Sponsor to broker-dealers and other selling agents will equal \$17.50 per Unit for the Trust.

Underwriters other than the Sponsor will sell Units to other broker-dealers and selling agents at the Public Offering Price less a concession or agency commission not in excess of the concession allowed to the Underwriter by the Sponsor as described under "Sponsor and Underwriter Compensation" below.

Long-Term Trusts. During the initial offering period, the Sponsor will sell Units of Long-Term Trusts to non-Underwriter broker-dealers and selling agents at the Public Offering Price (net of any sales charge discount) less the gross concession or agency commission set forth in the following table.

Transaction Amount	Concession or Agency Commission
Less than 100 Units	\$30
100 Units - 249 Units	33
250 Units - 499 Units	32
500 Units - 999 Units	25
1,000 Units or more	20

Notwithstanding the preceding table, non-Underwriter broker-dealers and other selling agents that purchase 100 or more Units of a Long-Term Trust from the Sponsor on the Date of Deposit ("Qualifying Broker-Dealers") will be allowed a concession or agency commission on such Units equal to the regular concession allowed to Underwriters described under "Sponsor and Underwriter Compensation" below. In addition, Qualifying Broker-Dealers will be allowed a concession or agency commission equal to \$35 per Unit on subsequent Unit purchases from the Sponsor throughout the remainder of the initial offering period, provided, however, that a Qualifying Broker-Dealer will be allowed a concession or agency commission equal to the concession or agency commission allowed to such firm on the Date of Deposit for subsequent purchases on a single day equal to the lesser of (a) 1,000 Units of a Trust (or all remaining Units if the Sponsor has less than 1,000 unsold Units available for sale) or (b) the number of Units of such Trust purchased on the Date of Deposit.

Non-Underwriter broker-dealers and other selling agents (other than Qualifying Broker-Dealers) who purchase an aggregate of 250 or more Units from the Sponsor during the initial offering period will receive a net concession equal to \$35 per Unit. This net concession will be paid by allowing the regular gross concession at the time of purchase and the Sponsor will offer a rebate per Unit equal to the difference between the applicable gross broker-dealer concession and \$35 per Unit so that the broker-dealer or selling agent receives the appropriate net concession or agency commission. The Sponsor will pay this rebate after the end of the initial offering period.

For initial offering period transactions involving unitholders of other unit investment trusts who use their redemption or termination proceeds to purchase Units of a Trust, the regular concession or agency commission allowed by the Sponsor to broker-dealers and other selling agents will equal \$25 per Unit for a Long-Term Trust.

Underwriters other than the Sponsor will sell Units to other broker-dealers and selling agents at the Public Offering Price less a concession or agency commission not in excess of the concession allowed to the Underwriter by the Sponsor as described under "Sponsor and Underwriter Compensation" below.

General. The breakpoint concessions or agency commissions above are also applied on a dollar basis utilizing a breakpoint equivalent of \$1,000 per Unit and will be applied on whichever basis is more favorable to the distributor. The breakpoints above will be adjusted to take into consideration purchase orders stated in dollars which cannot be completely fulfilled due to the requirement that only whole Units be issued.

In addition to the concession or agency commission and rebates described in the sections above, all broker-dealers and other selling firms (including Underwriters) will be eligible to receive additional compensation based on total

initial offering period sales of all eligible Van Kampen unit investment trusts during a Quarterly Period as set forth in the following table:

Initial Offering Period Sales During Quarterly Period	Additional Volume Concession
\$2 million but less than \$5 million	0.025%
\$5 million but less than \$10 million	0.050
\$10 million but less than \$50 million	0.075
\$50 million or more	0.100

"Quarterly Period" means the following periods: December - February; March - May; June - August; and September - November. Broker-dealers and other selling firms will not receive these additional volume concessions on the sale of units which are not subject to a transactional sales charge (as defined in applicable prospectuses), however, such sales will be included in determining whether a firm has met the sales level breakpoints set forth in the table above. Secondary market sales of all unit investment trusts are excluded for purposes of these volume concessions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Wachovia Securities, LLC will receive the maximum volume concession set forth in the table above for all eligible unit sales. The Sponsor will pay these amounts out of the transactional sales charge received on units within a reasonable time following each Quarterly Period. For a trust to be eligible for this additional compensation for Quarterly Period sales, the trust's prospectus must include disclosure related to this additional compensation; a trust is not eligible for this additional compensation if the prospectus for such trust does not include disclosure related to this additional compensation.

Certain commercial banks may be making Units available to their customers on an agency basis. A portion of the sales charge paid by these customers (equal to the agency commission referred to above) is retained by or remitted to the banks. Any discount provided to investors will be borne by the selling dealer or agent. For secondary market transactions, the Sponsor will sell Units to broker-dealers and selling agents at the Public Offering Price less a concession or agency commission of 80% of the applicable sales charge. Dealers other than the Sponsor may sell Units in the secondary market to other broker-dealers and selling agents at the Public Offering Price less a concession or agency commission not in excess of the secondary market concession allowed to the dealer. The Sponsor reserves the right to reject, in whole or in part, any order for the purchase of Units and to change the amount of the concession or agency commission to dealers and others from time to time.

Sponsor and Underwriter Compensation. The Sponsor will sell Units to Underwriters at the regular Public Offering Price per Unit less a gross concession described in the sections below. For a list of the Underwriters that have purchased Units from the Sponsor, see "Underwriting" in Prospectus Part I.

Intermediate-Term Trusts. The Sponsor will sell Units of Intermediate-Term Trusts to Underwriters at the regular Public Offering Price per Unit less a concession of \$22 per Unit underwritten.

In connection with Underwriter sales of Units which are sold in sufficient size to qualify for quantity discounts, Underwriters are eligible to receive a rebate from the Sponsor. This rebate applies only to Units sold out of the Underwriter's inventory and will equal the amount by which the sum of the related broker-dealer concession and the sales charge discount exceeds the regular Underwriter concession. In addition, if a firm commits to act as an Underwriter for an Intermediate-Term Trust, the concessions or agency commissions allowed will equal the amounts shown above on all Units of such Trust distributed during the initial offering period and purchased directly from the Sponsor rather than the broker-dealer concessions described under "Unit Distribution", provided, however, that an Underwriter will be allowed a concession equal to the Underwriter concession allowed to such firm on the Date of Deposit for subsequent purchases equal to at least 1,000 Units of a Trust (including any additional compensation described in the next paragraph).

Each Underwriter who underwrites 1,000 or more Units in an Intermediate-Term Trust will receive additional compensation from the Sponsor of \$1.00 for each Unit it underwrites.

Laddered Trusts. The Sponsor will sell Units of Laddered Trusts to Underwriters at the regular Public Offering Price per Unit less the concession per Unit underwritten set forth in the following table.

Underwriter

Units	Concession
Less than 500 Units	\$27
500 Units - 999 Units	28
1,000 Units - 1,999 Units	29
2,000 Units - 2,999 Units	30
3,000 Units or more	31

In addition, Underwriters of these Trusts will be allowed a concession or agency commission equal to \$27 per Unit on subsequent Unit purchases throughout the remainder of the initial offering period rather than the broker-dealer concessions described under "Unit Distribution," provided, however, that an Underwriter will be allowed a concession equal to the Underwriter concession allowed to such firm on the Date of Deposit for subsequent purchases on a single day equal to the lesser of (a) 1,000 Units of a Trust (or all remaining Units if the Sponsor has less than 1,000 unsold Units available for sale) or (b) the number of Units of a Trust purchased on the Date of Deposit.

In connection with Underwriter sales of Units to non-Underwriter broker-dealers and other selling agents which Units in turn are sold to investors in sufficient size to qualify for quantity discounts, Underwriters are eligible to receive a rebate from the Sponsor. This rebate is intended to reimburse Underwriters for discounts provided to such broker-dealers and agents, and on these transactions will equal the amount by which the sum of the related broker-dealer concession and the sales charge discount exceeds the total Underwriter concession.

Long-Term Trusts. The Sponsor will sell Units of Long-Term Trusts to Underwriters at the regular Public Offering Price per Unit less the concession per Unit underwritten set forth in the following table.

Units	Underwriter Concession
Less than 500 Units	\$35
500 Units - 999 Units	36
1,000 Units - 1,999 Units	37
2,000 Units - 2,999 Units	38
3,000 Units or more	40

In addition, Underwriters of a Long-Term Trust will be allowed a concession or agency commission equal to \$35 per Unit on subsequent Unit purchases throughout the remainder of the initial offering period rather than the broker-dealer concessions described under "Unit Distribution," provided, however, that an Underwriter will be allowed a concession equal to the Underwriter concession allowed to such firm on the Date of Deposit for subsequent purchases on a single day equal to the lesser of (a) 1,000 Units of a Trust (or all remaining Units if the Sponsor has less than 1,000 unsold Units available for sale) or (b) the number of Units of such Trust purchased on the Date of Deposit.

In connection with Underwriter sales of Units to non-Underwriter broker-dealers and other selling agents which Units in turn are sold to investors in sufficient size to qualify for quantity discounts, Underwriters are eligible to receive a rebate from the Sponsor. This rebate is intended to reimburse Underwriters for discounts provided to such broker-dealers and agents, and on these transactions will equal the amount by which the sum of the related broker-dealer concession and the sales charge discount exceeds the regular Underwriter concession.

General. The breakpoints listed herein will also be applied on a dollar basis utilizing a breakpoint equivalent of \$1,000 per Unit and will be applied on whichever basis is more favorable to the Underwriter. The breakpoints will be adjusted to take into consideration purchase orders stated in dollars which cannot be completely fulfilled due to the requirement that only whole Units be issued.

In addition, the Sponsor and certain Underwriters will realize a profit or loss, as a result of the difference between the price paid for the bonds by the Sponsor and the cost of the bonds to a Trust. See "Portfolio" and "Notes to Portfolio" in Prospectus Part I. The Sponsor and the Underwriters may also realize profits or losses with respect to bonds which were acquired by the Sponsor from underwriting syndicates of which they were members. The Sponsor has not participated as sole underwriter or as manager or as a member of the underwriting syndicates from which the bonds were acquired. Underwriters may further realize profit or loss during the initial offering period as a result of

possible fluctuations in the market value of the bonds since all proceeds received from purchasers of Units (excluding dealer concessions or agency commissions allowed, if any) will be retained by the Underwriters. Affiliates of an Underwriter are entitled to the same dealer concessions or agency commissions that are available to the Underwriter. In addition to any other benefits Underwriters may realize from the sale of Units, the Sponsor will share on a pro rata basis among senior Underwriters (those who underwrite at least 250 Units) 50% of any gain (less deductions for accrued interest and certain costs) represented by the difference between the cost of the bonds to the Sponsor and the evaluation of the bonds on the Date of Deposit. The Sponsor and certain of the other Underwriters will also realize profits or losses in the amount of any difference between the price at which Units are purchased and the price at which Units are resold in connection with maintaining a secondary market for Units and will also realize profits or losses resulting from a redemption of repurchased Units at a price above or below the purchase price.

We may provide, at our own expense and out of our own profits, additional compensation and benefits to broker-dealers who sell Units of the Trust and our other products. This compensation is intended to result in additional sales of our products and/or compensate broker-dealers and financial advisors for past sales. We may make these payments for marketing, promotional or related expenses, including, but not limited to, expenses of entertaining retail customers and financial advisors, advertising, sponsorship of events or seminars, obtaining shelf space in broker-dealer firms and similar activities designed to promote the sale of the Trust and our other products. Fees may include payment for travel expenses, including lodging, incurred in connection with trips taken by invited registered representatives for meetings or seminars of a business nature. These arrangements will not change the price you pay for your Units.

Market for Units. Although not obligated to do so, the Sponsor intends to, and certain of the other Underwriters may, maintain a market for Units and offer to purchase Units at prices, subject to change at any time, based upon the aggregate bid prices of the bonds plus accrued interest and any principal cash on hand, less any amounts representing taxes or other governmental charges payable out of your Trust and less any accrued Trust expenses. If the supply of Units exceeds demand or if some other business reason warrants it, the Sponsor and/or the Underwriters may either discontinue all purchases of Units or discontinue purchases of Units at these prices. If a market is not maintained and the Unitholder cannot find another purchaser, a Unitholder will be able to dispose of Units by tendering them to the Trustee for redemption at the Redemption Price. See "Rights of Unitholders--Redemption of Units". A Unitholder who wishes to dispose of his Units should inquire of his broker as to current market prices in order to determine whether there is in any price in excess of the Redemption Price and, if so, the amount thereof. The Trustee will notify the Sponsor of any tender of Units for redemption. If the Sponsor's bid in the secondary market at that time equals or exceeds the Redemption Price per Unit, it may purchase the Units not later than the day on which the Units would otherwise have been redeemed by the Trustee.

FEE ACCOUNTS

As described above, Units may be available for purchase by investors in Fee Accounts where the Portfolio is Wrap Fee Eligible. You should consult your financial professional to determine whether you can benefit from these accounts. For these purchases you generally only pay the portion of the sales charge that is retained by your Trust's Sponsor, Van Kampen Funds Inc. You should consult the "Public Offering--General" section for specific information on this and other sales charge discounts. That section governs the calculation of all sales charge discounts. The Sponsor reserves the right to limit or deny purchases of Units in Fee Accounts by investors or selling firms whose frequent trading activity is determined to be detrimental to a Portfolio.

RIGHTS OF UNITHOLDERS

Distributions of Interest and Principal. Interest received by a Trust, pro rated on an annual basis, will be distributed monthly unless a Unitholder elects to receive semi-annual distributions. The amount and time of the first distribution is described under "Summary of Essential Financial Information" in Prospectus Part I. The plan of distribution selected by a Unitholder will remain in effect until changed. Unitholders who purchase Units in the secondary market will receive distributions in accordance with the election of the prior owner. Unitholders may change their distribution plan by indicating the change on a card which may be obtained from the Trustee and return the card to the Trustee

with their certificates and other documentation required by the Trustee. Certificates should be sent by registered or certified mail to avoid their being lost or stolen. If the card and certificate are properly presented to the Trustee, the change will become effective on the first day after the next semi-annual record date and will remain effective until changed.

Interest received by a Trust, including that part of the proceeds of any disposition of bonds which represents accrued interest, is credited by the Trustee to the Interest Account. Other receipts are credited to the Principal Account. After deduction of amounts sufficient to reimburse the Trustee, without interest, for any amounts advanced and paid to the Sponsor as the Unitholder of record as of the First Settlement Date, interest received will be distributed on each distribution date to Unitholders of record as of the preceding record date. All distributions will be net of estimated expenses. Funds in the Principal Account will be distributed on each semi-annual distribution date to Unitholders of record as of the preceding semi-annual record date. The Trustee is not required to pay interest on funds held in the Principal or Interest Account (but may itself earn interest thereon and therefore benefits from the use of these funds) nor to make a distribution from the Principal Account unless the amount available for distribution therein shall equal at least \$1.00 per Unit. However, should the amount available for distribution in the Principal Account equal or exceed \$10.00 per Unit, the Trustee will make a special distribution from the Principal Account on the next monthly distribution date to Unitholders of record on the related monthly record date.

Because interest payments are not received by a Trust at a constant rate throughout the year, interest distributions may be more or less than the amount credited to the Interest Account as of the record date. For the purpose of minimizing fluctuations in interest distributions, the Trustee is authorized to advance amounts necessary to provide interest distributions of approximately equal amounts. The Trustee is reimbursed for these advances from funds in the Interest Account on the next record date. Persons who purchase Units between a record date and a distribution date will receive their first distribution on the second distribution date after the purchase, under the applicable plan of distribution.

Redemption of Units. A Unitholder may redeem all or a portion of his Units by tender to the Trustee, at Unit Investment Trust Division, 111 Sanders Creek Parkway, East Syracuse, New York 13057, of the certificates representing the Units to be redeemed, duly endorsed or accompanied by proper instruments of transfer with signature guaranteed (or by providing satisfactory indemnity, such as in connection with lost, stolen or destroyed certificates) and by payment of applicable governmental charges, if any. Redemption of Units cannot occur until certificates representing the Units or satisfactory indemnity have been received by the Trustee. No later than seven calendar days following satisfactory tender, the Unitholder will receive an amount for each Unit equal to the Redemption Price per Unit next computed after receipt by the Trustee of the tender of Units. The "date of tender" is deemed to be the date on which Units are received by the Trustee, except that as regards Units received after the Evaluation Time on days of trading on the New York Stock Exchange, the date of tender is the next day on which that Exchange is open and the Units will be deemed to have been tendered to the Trustee on that day for redemption at the Redemption Price. Redemption requests received by the Trustee after the Evaluation Time, and redemption requests received by authorized financial professionals after the Evaluation Time or redemption requests received by such persons that are not transmitted to the Trustee until after the time designated by the Trustee, are priced based on the date of the next determined redemption price provided they are received timely by the Trustee on such date. It is the responsibility of authorized financial professionals to transmit redemption requests received by them to the Trustee so they will be received in a timely manner. Certain broker-dealers or selling firms may charge an order handling fee for processing redemption requests. Units redeemed directly through the Trustee are not subject to such fees.

Under Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") regulations, the Trustee is required to withhold a specified percentage of a Unit redemption if the Trustee has not received the Unitholder's tax identification number as required by such regulations or if the IRS notifies the Trustee that such withholding is required. Any amount withheld is transmitted to the IRS and may be recovered by the Unitholder only when filing a return or a claim for refund. Under normal circumstances the Trustee obtains the Unitholder's tax identification number from the selling broker. However, at any time a Unitholder elects to tender Units for redemption, the Unitholder should provide a tax identification number to the Trustee in order to avoid this possible "back-up withholding".

The Redemption Price per Unit (as well as the secondary market Public

Offering Price) will be determined on the basis of the bid price of the bonds as of the Evaluation Time on days of trading on the New York Stock Exchange on the date any such determination is made. The Evaluator determines the Redemption Price per Unit on days Units are tendered for redemption. The Redemption Price per Unit is the pro rata share of each Unit on the basis of (i) the cash on hand in a Trust or moneys in the process of being collected, (ii) the value of the bonds based on the bid prices of the bonds, except for cases in which the value of insurance has been included, (iii) accrued interest, less (a) amounts representing taxes or other governmental charges and (b) the accrued Trust expenses. During the initial offering period, the Redemption Price and secondary market repurchase price are not reduced by estimated organization costs. The Evaluator may determine the value of the bonds by employing any of the methods set forth in "Public Offering--Unit Price". In determining the Redemption Price per Unit no value will be assigned to the portfolio insurance maintained on the bonds in a Trust unless the bonds are in default in payment of principal or interest or in significant risk of default. For a description of the situations in which the Evaluator may value the insurance obtained by a Trust, see "Public Offering--Unit Price". Accrued interest paid on redemption shall be withdrawn from the Interest Account or, if the balance therein is insufficient, from the Principal Account. All other amounts will be withdrawn from the Principal Account. Units so redeemed shall be cancelled.

The price at which Units may be redeemed could be less than the price paid by the Unitholder and may be less than the par value of the bonds represented by the Units redeemed. The Trustee may sell bonds to cover redemptions. When bonds are sold, the size and diversity of your Trust will be reduced. Sales may be required at a time when bonds would not otherwise be sold and might result in lower prices than might otherwise be realized.

The Trustee reserves the right to satisfy any redemption of 1,000 or more Units with an aggregate redemption price of \$1,000,000 or more in an in kind distribution of bonds. An in kind distribution of bonds will be made by the Trustee through the distribution of each of the bonds in the Trust in bookentry form to the account of the Unitholder's broker-dealer at Depository Trust Company. Amounts representing fractional portions of a bond will be distributed in cash. The Trustee may adjust the bonds included in a Unitholder's in kind distribution to facilitate the distribution of whole bonds. Special tax consequences will result if a Unitholder receives an in kind distribution.

The right of redemption may be suspended and payment postponed for any period during which the New York Stock Exchange is closed, other than for customary weekend and holiday closings, or during which the SEC determines that trading on that Exchange is restricted or an emergency exists, as a result of which disposal or evaluation of the bonds is not reasonably practicable, or for other periods as the SEC may by order permit. Under certain extreme circumstances the Sponsor may apply to the SEC for an order permitting a full or partial suspension of the right of Unitholders to redeem their Units.

Exchange Option. When you redeem Units of your Trust or when your Trust terminates, you may be able to exchange your Units for units of other Van Kampen unit trusts at a reduced sales charge. You should contact your financial professional for more information about trusts currently available for exchanges. Before you exchange Units, you should read the prospectus of the new trust carefully and understand the risks and fees. You should then discuss this option with your financial professional to determine whether your investment goals have changed, whether current trusts suit you and to discuss tax consequences. We may discontinue this option at any time. The exchange will generally be treated as a sale and a taxable transaction for federal income tax purposes.

Units. Ownership of Units is evidenced in book entry form unless a Unitholder makes a written request to the Trustee that ownership be in certificate form. Units are transferable by making a written request to the Trustee and, in the case of Units in certificate form, by presentation and surrender of the certificate to the Trustee properly endorsed or accompanied by a written instrument or instruments of transfer. A Unitholder must sign the written request, or certificate transfer instrument, exactly as his name appears on the records of the Trustee and on the face of any certificate with the signature guaranteed by a participant in the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program ("STAMP") or a signature guaranty program accepted by the Trustee. The Trustee may require additional documents such as, but not limited to, trust instruments, certificates of death, appointments as executor or administrator or certificates of corporate authority. Certificates will be issued in denominations of one Unit or any multiple thereof. Although no such charge is now made, the Trustee may require a Unitholder to pay a reasonable fee for each certificate re-issued or transferred and to pay any governmental charge that may be imposed in connection

with each transfer or interchange. Destroyed, stolen, mutilated or lost certificates will be replaced upon delivery to the Trustee of satisfactory indemnity, evidence of ownership and payment of expenses incurred. Mutilated certificates must be surrendered to the Trustee for replacement.

Reports Provided. Unitholders will receive a statement of interest and other receipts received for each distribution. For as long as the Sponsor deems it to be in the best interest of Unitholders, the accounts of your Trust will be audited annually by independent registered public accounting firm and the report of the accountants will be furnished to Unitholders upon request. Within a reasonable period of time after the end of each year, the Trustee will furnish to each person who was a registered Unitholder during that year a statement describing the interest and principal received on the bonds, actual Trust distributions, Trust expenses, a list of the bonds and other Trust information. Unitholders will be furnished the Evaluator's evaluations of the bonds upon request to the Trustee. If you have questions regarding your account or your Portfolio, please contact your financial adviser or the Trustee. The Sponsor does not have access to individual account information.

INSURANCE ON THE BONDS IN AN INSURED TRUST

Insurance has been obtained guaranteeing prompt payment of interest and principal, when due, in respect of the bonds in an Insured Trust. An insurance policy obtained by an Insured Trust is non-cancelable and will continue in force so long as the Trust is in existence, the respective Portfolio Insurer is still in business and the bonds described in the policy continue to be held by the Trust. Any portfolio insurance premium for an Insured Trust is paid by the Trust on a monthly basis. The premium for any Preinsured Bond insurance has been paid by the issuer, by a prior owner of the bonds or the Sponsor and any policy is non-cancelable and will continue in force so long as the bonds so insured are outstanding and the Preinsured Bond Insurer remains in business. The Portfolio Insurers and the Preinsured Bond Insurers, if any, are described in "Portfolio" for each Insured Trust and the notes thereto in Prospectus Part I. More detailed information regarding insurance on the bonds and the Preinsured Bond and Portfolio Insurers is included in the Information Supplement. See "Additional Information".

The portfolio insurance obtained by an Insured Trust guarantees the timely payment of principal and interest on the bonds when they fall due. For this purpose, "when due" generally means the stated maturity date for the payment of principal and interest. However, in the event (a) an issuer defaults in the payment of principal or interest, (b) an issuer enters into a bankruptcy proceeding or (c) the maturity of the bond is accelerated, the affected Portfolio Insurer has the option to pay the outstanding principal amount of the bond plus accrued interest to the date of payment and thereby retire the bond from an Insured Trust prior to the bond's stated maturity date. The insurance does not guarantee the market value of the bonds or the value of the Units. The Trustee, upon the sale of a bond covered under a portfolio insurance policy has the right to obtain permanent insurance with respect to the bond (i.e., insurance to maturity of the bond regardless of the identity of the holder) (the "Permanent Insurance") upon the payment of a single predetermined insurance premium and expenses from the proceeds of the sale of the bond. It is expected that the Trustee would exercise the right to obtain Permanent Insurance only if upon exercise an Insured Trust would receive net proceeds in excess of the sale proceeds if the bonds were sold on an uninsured basis.

Each Portfolio Insurer is subject to regulation by the department of insurance in the state in which it is qualified to do business. Such regulation, however, is no guarantee that each Portfolio Insurer will be able to perform on its contract of insurance in the event a claim should be made. At the date hereof, it is reported that no claims have been submitted or are expected to be submitted to any of the Portfolio Insurers which would materially impair the ability of any such company to meet its commitment pursuant to any contract of insurance. The information relating to each Portfolio Insurer has been furnished by such companies. The financial information with respect to each Portfolio Insurer appears in reports filed with state insurance regulatory authorities and is subject to audit and review by such authorities. No representation is made herein as to the accuracy or adequacy of such information or as to the absence of material adverse changes in such information subsequent to the dates thereof.

On December 14, 2007, Moody's placed the Aaa ratings of Financial Guaranty Insurance Company ("FGIC") and XL Capital Assurance Inc. ("XLCA") on review for a possible downgrade. The Aaa ratings of MBIA Insurance Corporation ("MBIA") and CIFG Guaranty ("CIFG") were affirmed, but Moody's changed the rating outlooks on

these insurers from stable to negative. The Aaa ratings of Ambac Assurance Corporation ("Ambac"), Assured Guaranty Corp. ("Assured Guaranty") and Financial Security Assurance Inc. ("FSA") were affirmed with a stable outlook. On January 16, 2008, Moody's placed the Aaa insurance financial strength rating of Ambac on watch for possible downgrade. On January 17, 2008, Moody's placed the Aaa insurance financial strength rating of MBIA on watch for possible downgrade. On February 7, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of XLCA from Aaa to A3. On February 14, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of FGIC from Aaa to A3. On March 6, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of CIFG from Aaa to A1. On March 12, 2008, Moody's affirmed the Aaa insurance financial strength rating of Ambac. On March 14, 2008, Moody's affirmed the Aaa insurance financial strength rating of Assured Guaranty, with a stable outlook. On March 31, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength of FGIC from A3 to Baa3. On April 25, 2008, Moody's assigned an initial rating of Aaa to Berkshire Hathaway Assurance Corp's insurance financial strength, with a stable outlook. On June 4, 2008, Moody's placed the Aaa ratings of Ambac and MBIA on review for a possible downgrade. On June 19, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength ratings of Ambac and MBIA, downgrading Ambac's rating from Aaa to Aa3 and MBIA's rating from Aaa to A2. On June 20, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength ratings of FGIC and XLCA, downgrading FGIC's rating from Baa3 to B1 and XLCA's rating from A3 to B2. On July 21, 2008, Moody's placed the Aaa insurance financial strength ratings of Assured Guaranty and its affiliates on review for possible downgrade. Also on July 21, 2008, Moody's placed the Aaa insurance financial strength ratings of FSA and its affiliated insurance operating companies on review for possible downgrade. On July 29, 2008, Moody's placed its B2 insurance financial strength rating of XLCA under review with direction uncertain. On September 18, 2008, Moody's placed the Aa3 insurance financial strength rating of Ambac and the A2 insurance financial strength rating of MBIA on review for possible downgrade, following upward revisions to cumulative loss projections related to subprime mortgage securities exposure. On October 10, 2008, Moody's placed the A2 insurance financial strength rating of Radian Guaranty, as well as the ratings of its operational affiliates, on review for possible downgrade. On October 24, 2008, Moody's placed the B1 insurance financial strength rating of FGIC under review for possible downgrade. Also on October 24, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of Syncora Guarantee Inc. ("Syncora", formerly XLCA) from B2 to Caal, with the ratings placed on review with direction uncertain. On October 28, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of CIFG from Ba2 to B3, with direction uncertain. On November 5, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of Ambac from Aa3 to Baal, with a developing outlook. On November 7, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of MBIA from A2 to Baal, with a developing outlook. On November 21, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of Assured Guaranty from Aaa to Aa2, with a stable outlook. Also on November 21, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of FSA from Aaa to Aa3, with a developing outlook. On December 19, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of FGIC from B1 to Caal, with a negative outlook. On January 22, 2009, Moody's upgraded the insurance financial strength rating of CIFG from B3 to Ba3, with a developing outlook.

On December 19, 2007, S&P placed the AAA rating of FGIC on CreditWatch with negative implications. The AAA ratings of Ambac, MBIA and XLCA were affirmed, but assigned a negative outlook. S&P affirmed the AAA rating and negative outlook of CIFG and affirmed the AAA rating and stable outlook of FSA and Assured Guaranty. On January 31, 2008, S&P downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of FGIC from AAA to AA. S&P also placed the AAA ratings of MBIA and XLCA on CreditWatch with negative implications. On February 25, 2008, S&P downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of FGIC from AA to A. FGIC remains on Credit Watch with developing implications. S&P also downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of XLCA from AAA to A-. XLCA remains on CreditWatch with negative implications. The AAA insurance financial strength rating of MBIA was affirmed and MBIA was removed from CreditWatch. The AAA insurance financial strength rating of Ambac was affirmed, however Ambac remains on CreditWatch with negative implications. On March 12, 2008, S&P downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of CIFG from AAA to A+ and removed Ambac from CreditWatch and affirmed Ambac's AAA financial strength rating. On April 11, 2008, S&P assigned an initial rating of AAA to Berkshire Hathaway Assurance Corp's insurance financial strength, with a stable outlook. On June 5, 2008, S&P downgraded the insurance financial strength ratings of Ambac and MBIA from AAA to AA and placed the ratings on CreditWatch with negative implications. On June 18, 2008, S&P affirmed the AAA insurance financial strength rating of Assured Guaranty, with a stable outlook. On July 29, 2008, S&P stated that its BBB- financial strength rating of XLCA remains on CreditWatch with negative implications. On August 6, 2008, S&P revised its outlook on FSA to negative from stable, and affirmed its AAA ratings. On August 14, 2008, S&P affirmed the AA

insurance financial strength ratings of Ambac and MBIA, both with a negative outlook, and removed both from CreditWatch Negative. On August 29, 2008, the BB insurance financial strength rating of FGIC was affirmed by S&P, however FGIC remains on CreditWatch with negative implications. On October 8, 2008, S&P placed the AAA ratings of FSA on CreditWatch with negative implications. On November 18, 2008, S&P lowered its insurance financial strength rating of Syncora to B from BBB-, maintaining its rating on CreditWatch with the implications revised from negative to developing. On November 19, 2008, S&P lowered its insurance financial strength rating of Ambac to A from AA, with a negative outlook. On November 24, 2008, S&P lowered its insurance financial strength rating of FGIC to CCC from BB, with a negative outlook, while also removing its rating from CreditWatch. On January 22, 2009, S&P raised the insurance financial strength rating of CIFG to BB from B, with a developing outlook, while also removing the rating from CreditWatch.

On November 14, 2008, Assured Guaranty Ltd. ("Assured"), the parent company of Assured Guaranty, announced that it has reached a definitive agreement to purchase Financial Security Assurance Holdings Ltd. ("FSAH"), the parent of financial guaranty insurance company, FSA. The transaction is subject to approval by Assured's shareholders, as well as the customary regulatory approvals, and is expected to close in the first quarter 2009.

To the extent a bond issuer does not independently maintain a AAA/Aaa rating, any downgrade in the rating of an insurer of the bonds in the Trust will result in a downgrade in the rating of the issuer of the related bond and therefore may have a material adverse effect on the value of the bonds in the Trust and the value of your Units.

TRUST ADMINISTRATION

Sponsor. Van Kampen Funds Inc. is the Sponsor of the Portfolio. The Sponsor is a wholly owned subsidiary of Van Kampen Investments Inc. ("Van Kampen Investments"). Van Kampen Investments is a diversified asset management company that services more than three million retail investor accounts, has extensive capabilities for managing institutional portfolios and has more than \$82 billion under management or supervision as of September 30, 2008. Van Kampen Investments has more than 50 open-end funds, more than 30 closed-end funds and more than 2,200 unit investment trusts that are distributed by authorized dealers nationwide. Van Kampen Investments is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Morgan Stanley, a preeminent global financial services firm that provides a wide range of investment banking, securities, investment management and wealth management services. Morgan Stanley is a full service securities firm engaged in securities trading and brokerage activities as well as providing investment banking, research and analysis, financing and financial advisory services. The Sponsor's principal office is located at 522 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10036. As of September 30, 2008, the total stockholders equity of Van Kampen Funds Inc. was \$150,025,763 (unaudited).

The Sponsor and your Trust have adopted a code of ethics requiring Van Kampen's employees who have access to information on Trust transactions to report personal securities transactions. The purpose of the code is to avoid potential conflicts of interest and to prevent fraud, deception or misconduct with respect to your Trust. The Information Supplement contains additional information about the Sponsor. If we fail to or cannot perform our duties under the trust agreement or become bankrupt, the Trustee may appoint a new sponsor, continue to operate your Trust without a sponsor, or terminate your Trust and distribute the liquidation proceeds.

Trustee. The Trustee is The Bank of New York Mellon, a trust company organized under the laws of New York. The Bank of New York Mellon has its principal unit investment trust division offices at 2 Hanson Place, 12th Floor, Brooklyn, New York 11217, telephone (800) 221-7668. If you have questions regarding your account or your Portfolio, please contact the Trustee at its principal unit investment trust division offices or your financial adviser. The Sponsor does not have access to individual account information. The Bank of New York Mellon is subject to supervision and examination by the Superintendent of Banks of the State of New York and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and its deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to the extent permitted by law. Additional information regarding the Trustee is set forth in the Information Supplement, including the Trustee's qualifications and duties, its ability to resign, the effect of a merger involving the Trustee and the Sponsor's ability to remove and replace the Trustee. See "Additional Information".

Portfolio Administration. Your Trust is not a managed fund and, except as provided in the Trust Agreement, bonds generally will not be sold or replaced. The Sponsor may, however, direct that bonds be sold in certain limited situations to protect your Trust based on advice from the Supervisor. These situations may include default in interest or principal payments on the bonds or other obligations of an issuer, an advanced refunding or institution of certain legal proceedings. In addition, the Trustee may sell bonds designated by the Supervisor for purposes of redeeming Units or payment of expenses. The Supervisor will consider a variety of factors in designating bonds to be sold including interest rates, market value and marketability. Except in limited circumstances, the Trustee must reject any offer by an issuer to issue bonds in exchange or substitution for the bonds (such as a refunding or refinancing plan). The Trustee will promptly notify Unitholders of any exchange or substitution. The Information Supplement contains a more detailed description of circumstances in which bonds may be sold or replaced. See "Additional Information".

If a Trust is structured as a "regulated investment company" for federal tax purposes, the Sponsor may direct the reinvestment of proceeds of the sale of bonds if the sale is the direct result of serious adverse credit factors which, in the opinion of the Sponsor, would make retention of the bonds detrimental to the Trust. In such a case, the Sponsor may, but is not obligated to, direct the reinvestment of sale proceeds in any other securities that meet the criteria for inclusion in the trust on the Date of Deposit. The Sponsor may also instruct the Trustee to take action necessary to ensure that such a Trust continues to satisfy the qualifications of a regulated investment company and to avoid imposition of tax on undistributed income of the Trust.

Replacement Bonds. No assurance can be given that a Trust will retain its present size or composition because bonds may be sold, redeemed or mature from time to time and the proceeds will be distributed to Unitholders and will not be reinvested. In the event of a failure to deliver any bond that has been purchased under a contract ("Failed Bonds"), the Sponsor is authorized under the Trust Agreement to direct the Trustee to acquire other bonds ("Replacement Bonds") to make up the original portfolio of a Trust. Replacement Bonds must be purchased within 20 days after delivery of the notice of the failed contract and the purchase price (exclusive of accrued interest) may not exceed the amount of funds reserved for the purchase of the Failed Bonds. The Replacement Bonds must (i) be long-term or intermediate term, as applicable, bonds, debentures, notes or other straight debt obligations (whether secured or unsecured and whether senior or subordinated) without equity or other conversion features, with fixed maturity dates substantially the same as those of the Failed Bonds having no warrants or subscription privileges attached; (ii) be payable in United States currency; (iii) not be when, as and if issued obligations or restricted securities; (iv) be issued after July 18, 1984 if the interest is United States source income; (v) be issued or guaranteed by an issuer subject to or exempt from the reporting requirements under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (or similar provisions of law) or guaranteed, directly or indirectly, by means of a lease agreement, agreement to buy securities, services or products, or other similar commitment of the credit of such an issuer to the payment of the substitute bonds; (vi) maintain the S&P AAA rating for an Insured Trust; and (vii) be eligible for (and when acquired be insured under) the insurance obtained by an Insured Trust. The Trustee shall notify all Unitholders of a Trust within five days after the acquisition of a Replacement Bond and shall make a pro rata distribution of the amount, if any, by which the cost of the Failed Bond exceeded the cost of the Replacement Bond plus accrued interest. If Failed Bonds are not replaced, the Sponsor will refund the sales charge attributable to the Failed Bonds to all Unitholders of a Trust and distribute the principal and accrued interest (at the coupon rate of the Failed Bonds to the date of removal from the Trust) attributable to the Failed Bonds within 30 days after removal. If Failed Bonds are not replaced, the Estimated Net Annual Interest Income per Unit would be reduced and the Estimated Current Return and Estimated Long-Term Return might be lowered. Unitholders may not be able to reinvest their proceeds in other securities at a yield equal to or in excess of the yield of the Failed Bonds.

Amendment of Trust Agreement. The Sponsor and the Trustee may amend the Trust Agreement without the consent of Unitholders to correct any provision which may be defective or to make other provisions that will not materially adversely affect the interest of the Unitholders (as determined in good faith by the Sponsor and the Trustee). The Trust Agreement may not be amended to increase the number of Units or to permit the acquisition of bonds in addition to or in substitution for any of the bonds initially deposited in a Trust, except for the substitution of certain refunding bonds. The Trustee will notify Unitholders of any amendment.

Termination of Trust Agreement. A Trust will terminate upon the redemption, sale or other disposition of the last bond held in the Trust. A Trust may also be terminated at any time by consent of Unitholders of 75% of the Units then outstanding or by the Trustee when the value of the Trust is less than 20% of the original principal amount of bonds. A Trust will be liquidated by the Trustee in the event that a sufficient number of Units of the Trust not yet sold are tendered for redemption by the Sponsor, so that the net worth of the Trust would be reduced to less than 40% of the value of the Securities at the time they were deposited in the Trust. The Trustee will notify each Unitholder of any termination within a reasonable time and will then liquidate any remaining bonds. The sale of bonds upon termination may result in a lower amount than might otherwise be realized if the sale was not required at that time. For this reason, among others, the amount realized by a Unitholder upon termination may be less than the principal amount of bonds per Unit or value at the time of purchase. The Trustee will distribute to each Unitholder his share of the balance of the Interest and Principal Accounts after deduction of costs, expenses or indemnities. The Unitholder will receive a final distribution statement with this distribution. When the Trustee in its sole discretion determines that any amounts held in reserve are no longer necessary, it will distribute these amounts to Unitholders. The Information Supplement contains further information regarding termination of a Trust. See "Additional Information".

Limitation on Liabilities. The Sponsor, Supervisor, Evaluator and Trustee shall be under no liability to Unitholders for taking any action or for refraining from taking any action in good faith pursuant to the Trust Agreement, or for errors in judgment, but shall be liable only for their own willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence (negligence in the case of the Trustee) in the performance of their duties or by reason of their reckless disregard of their obligations and duties hereunder. The Trustee shall not be liable for depreciation or loss incurred by reason of the sale by the Trustee of any of the bonds. In the event of the failure of the Sponsor to act under the Trust Agreement, the Trustee may act thereunder and shall not be liable for any action taken by it in good faith under the Trust Agreement. The Trustee is not liable for any taxes or governmental charges imposed on the bonds, on it as Trustee under the Trust Agreement or on a Trust which the Trustee may be required to pay under any present or future law of the United States of America or of any other taxing authority having jurisdiction. In addition, the Trust Agreement contains other customary provisions limiting the liability of the Trustee. The Trustee and Sponsor may rely on any evaluation furnished by the Evaluator and have no responsibility for the accuracy thereof. Determinations by the Evaluator shall be made in good faith upon the basis of the best information available to it; provided, however, that the Evaluator shall be under no liability to the Trustee, Sponsor or Unitholders for errors in judgment.

FEDERAL TAX STATUS

This section summarizes some of the principal U.S. federal income tax consequences of owning Units of a Trust as of the date of this prospectus. Tax laws and interpretations change frequently, and these summaries do not describe all of the tax consequences to all taxpayers. For example, these summaries generally do not describe your situation if you are a corporation, a non-U.S. person, a broker/dealer, a tax-exempt entity, or other investor with special circumstances. In addition, this section does not describe your state, local or foreign tax consequences.

This federal income tax summary is based in part on the advice of counsel to the Sponsor. The IRS could disagree with any conclusions set forth in this section. In addition, our counsel was not asked to review the federal income tax treatment of the assets to be deposited in the Trust.

As with any investment, you should seek advice based on your individual circumstances from your own tax advisor.

Trust Status. The Trust intends to elect and to qualify annually as a "regulated investment company" under the federal tax laws. If the Trust qualifies as a regulated investment company and distributes its income as required by the tax law, the Trust generally will not pay federal income taxes.

Distributions. Trust distributions are generally taxable. After the end of each year, you will receive a tax statement that specifies your amount of ordinary income distributions and capital gains dividends.

Ordinary income distributions are generally taxed at your ordinary tax rate. Generally, you will treat all capital gains dividends as long-term capital gains

regardless of how long you have owned your shares. In addition, the Trust may make distributions that represent a return of capital for tax purposes and thus will generally not be taxable to you. The tax status of your distributions from your Trust is not affected by whether you reinvest your distributions in additional shares or receive them in cash. The income from your Trust that you must take into account for federal income tax purposes is not reduced by amounts used to pay a deferred sales charge, if any. The tax laws may require you to treat distributions made to you in January as if you had received them on December 31 of the previous year.

Dividends Received Deduction and Qualified Dividend Income. A corporation that owns Units generally will not be entitled to the dividends received deduction with respect to dividends received from the Trust because the dividends received deduction is generally not available for distributions from regulated investment companies. An individual that owns Units generally will not be entitled to treat Trust distributions as qualified dividend income currently taxed at long-term capital gains rates, as it is not expected that Trust distributions will be attributable to qualified dividend income received by the Trust.

Sale or Redemption of Units. If you sell or redeem your Units, you will generally recognize a taxable gain or loss. To determine the amount of this gain or loss, you must subtract your adjusted tax basis in your Units from the amount you receive in the transaction. Your initial tax basis in your Units is generally equal to the cost of your Units, generally including sales charges. In some cases, however, you may have to adjust your tax basis after you purchase your Units.

Capital Gains and Losses. If you are an individual, the maximum marginal federal tax rate for net capital gain is generally 15% (zero for certain taxpayers in the 10% and 15% tax brackets). These capital gains rates are generally effective for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2011. For later periods, if you are an individual, the maximum marginal federal tax rate for net capital gain is generally 20% (10% for certain taxpayers in the 10% and 15% tax brackets). The 20% rate is reduced to 18% and the 10% rate is reduced to 8% for long-term capital gains from most property acquired after December 31, 2000 with a holding period of more than five years.

Net capital gain equals net long-term capital gain minus net short-term capital loss for the taxable year. Capital gain or loss is long-term if the holding period for the asset is more than one year and is short-term if the holding period for the asset is one year or less. You must exclude the date you purchase your Units to determine your holding period. However, if you receive a capital gain dividend from your Trust and sell your Unit at a loss after holding it for six months or less, the loss will be recharacterized as long-term capital loss to the extent of the capital gain dividend received. The tax rates for capital gains realized from assets held for one year or less are generally the same as for ordinary income. The Internal Revenue Code treats certain capital gains as ordinary income in special situations.

Exchanges. If you elect to have your proceeds from your Trust rolled over into a future series of the Trust, the exchange would generally be considered a sale and a taxable transaction for federal income tax purposes. In general, any gain on the sale will be treated as capital gain and any loss will be treated as capital loss. However, any loss realized on a sale or exchange will be disallowed to the extent that Units disposed of are replaced within a period of 61 days beginning 30 days before and ending 30 days after the disposition of Units or to the extent that the Unitholder, during such period, acquires or enters into an option or contract to acquire substantially identical stock or securities. In such a case, the basis of the Units acquired will be adjusted to reflect the disallowed loss.

In Kind Distributions. Under certain circumstances, as described in this prospectus, you may receive an in kind distribution of Trust Assets when you redeem your Units. In general, this distribution will be treated as a sale for federal income tax purposes and you will recognize gain or loss, based on the value at that time of the securities and the amount of cash received. The IRS could however assert that a loss could not be currently deducted.

Deductibility of Trust Expenses. Expenses incurred and deducted by your Trust will generally not be treated as income taxable to you. In some cases, however, you may be required to treat your portion of these Trust expenses as income. In these cases you may be able to take a deduction for these expenses. However, certain miscellaneous itemized deductions, such as investment expenses, may be deducted by individuals only to the extent that all of these deductions exceed 2% of the individual's adjusted gross income.

Investors in the Trust may be subject to federal, state, local, or foreign taxes in connection with their investment in the Trust. Investors are encouraged to consult their own tax advisors regarding the specific federal, state, local, and foreign tax consequences that may affect them as a result of an investment in the Trust.

EXPENSES

General. The Trustee will periodically deduct from the Interest Account and, to the extent funds are not sufficient therein, from the Principal Account, amounts necessary to pay the expenses of the Trusts, provided that organization costs are generally paid out of cash deposited in the Principal Account. The Trustee also may withdraw from these Accounts such amounts, if any, as it deems necessary to establish a reserve for any governmental charges payable out of the Trusts. Amounts so withdrawn shall not be considered a part of a Trust's assets until such time as the Trustee shall return all or any part of such amounts to the appropriate Accounts.

Organization Costs. You and the other Unitholders will bear all or a portion of the organization costs and charges incurred in connection with the establishment of your Trust. These costs and charges will include the cost of the preparation, printing and execution of the trust agreement, registration statement and other documents relating to your Portfolio, federal and state registration fees and costs, the initial fees and expenses of the Trustee, and legal and auditing expenses. The Public Offering Price of Units includes the estimated amount of these costs. The Trustee will deduct these expenses from your Trust's assets at the end of the initial offering period or after six months, if earlier.

Sponsor, Supervisor, Evaluator and Trustee. The Sponsor and the Supervisor, which is an affiliate of the Sponsor, will receive the annual fee indicated under "Summary of Essential Financial Information" in Prospectus Part I for providing bookkeeping and administrative services and for providing portfolio supervisory services for the Trusts. These fees may exceed the actual costs of providing these services for a Trust but the total amount received for providing these services to all Van Kampen unit investment trusts will not exceed the total cost of providing the services in any calendar year. The Evaluator will receive the annual evaluation fee indicated under "Summary of Essential Financial Information" in Prospectus Part I for evaluating each Trust's portfolio. For its services the Trustee will receive the fee indicated under "Summary of Essential Financial Information" in Prospectus Part I (which may be reduced as described therein). Part of the Trustee's compensation for its services is expected to result from the use of the funds being held in the Principal and Interest Accounts for future distributions, payment of expenses and redemptions since these Accounts are non-interest bearing to Unitholders. These fees are based on the outstanding principal amount of bonds and Units on the Date of Deposit for the first year and as of the close of business on January 1 for each year thereafter.

Insurance. Premiums for any portfolio insurance are obligations of an Insured Trust and are payable monthly by the Trustee on behalf of the Trust. As bonds covered by a portfolio insurance policy in an Insured Trust are redeemed by their respective issuers or are sold by the Trustee, the amount of the premium will be reduced in respect of those bonds. If the Trustee exercises the right to obtain permanent insurance, the premiums payable for such permanent insurance will be paid solely from the proceeds of the sale of the related bonds.

Miscellaneous Expenses. The following additional charges are or may be incurred by the Trusts: (a) fees of the Trustee for extraordinary services, (b) expenses of the Trustee (including legal and auditing expenses) and of counsel designated by the Sponsor, (c) various governmental charges, (d) expenses and costs of any action taken by the Trustee to protect the Trusts and the rights and interests of Unitholders, (e) indemnification of the Trustee for any loss, liability or expenses incurred by it in the administration of the Trusts without negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on its part, (f) any special custodial fees payable in connection with the sale of any of the bonds in a Trust, (g) expenditures incurred in contacting Unitholders upon termination of the Trusts and (h) costs incurred to reimburse the Trustee for advancing funds to the Trusts to meet scheduled distributions (which costs may be adjusted periodically in response to fluctuations in short-term interest rates). Each Trust will pay the costs associated with updating its registration statement each year. The fees and expenses set forth herein are payable out of the Trusts. When such fees and expenses are paid by or owing to the Trustee, they are secured by a lien on the portfolio of the applicable Trust. If the balances in

the Interest and Principal Accounts are insufficient to provide for amounts payable by a Trust, the Trustee has the power to sell bonds to pay such amounts.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This prospectus does not contain all the information set forth in the registration statement filed by your Trust with the SEC. The Information Supplement, which has been filed with the SEC, includes more detailed information concerning the bonds in your Trust, investment risks and general information about the Trust. Information about your Trust (including the Information Supplement) can be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. You may obtain information about the Public Reference Room by calling 1-202-551-8090. Reports and other information about your Trust are available on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of this information may be obtained, after paying a duplication fee, by electronic request at the following e-mail address: publicinfo@sec.gov or by writing the SEC's Public Reference Section, Washington, DC 20549-0102.

OTHER MATTERS

Legal Matters. The legality of the Units offered hereby and certain matters relating to federal tax law have been passed upon by Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP. Dorsey & Whitney LLP has acted as counsel to the Trustee.

Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. The statement of condition and the related portfolio at the Date of Deposit included in Prospectus Part I have been audited by Grant Thornton LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their report in Prospectus Part I, and are included herein in reliance upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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- (1) Call our 24-Hour Pricing Line
(800) 953-6785
- (1) Visit our Unit Trust Internet Pricing Page
<http://www.vankampen.com>

, Account Questions

- (1) Contact the Trustee
(800) 221-7668

, Learning More About Unit Trusts

- (1) Contact Van Kampen
(630) 684-6000
- (1) Visit our Unit Trust Internet Product Page
<http://www.vankampen.com>

, Additional Information

You may obtain an Information Supplement that provides more details about your trust and its policies.

- (1) Visit the SEC Internet Site
<http://www.sec.gov>
- (1) Contact the Trustee
(800) 221-7668

Prospectus Part II

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Van Kampen Unit Trusts,
Taxable Income Series 154

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Information Supplement

Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Taxable Income Series 154

This Information Supplement provides additional information concerning the risks and operations of the Trusts which is not described in the Prospectus for the Trusts. This Information Supplement should be read in conjunction with the Prospectus. This Information Supplement is not a prospectus (but is incorporated into the Prospectus by reference), does not include all of the information that an investor should consider before investing in a Trust and may not be used to offer or sell Units without the Prospectus. Copies of the Prospectus can be obtained by contacting the Sponsor's unit investment trust division at 1 Parkview Plaza, P.O. Box 5555, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois 60181-5555, or by contacting your broker. This Information Supplement is dated as of the date of Prospectus Part I and all capitalized terms have been defined in the Prospectus.

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Risk Factors

The Trusts include certain types of bonds described below. Accordingly, an investment in a Trust should be made with an understanding of the characteristics of and risks associated with such bonds. Neither the Sponsor nor the Trustee shall be liable in any way for any default, failure or defect in any of the bonds.

Consumer Product and Retail Issuers. The Trust may invest significantly in bonds issued by companies that manufacture or sell consumer products. The profitability of these companies will be affected by various factors including the general state of the economy and consumer spending trends. In the past,

there have been major changes in the retail environment due to the declaration of bankruptcy by some of the major corporations involved in the retail industry, particularly the department store segment. The continued viability of the retail industry will depend on the industry's ability to adapt and to compete in changing economic and social conditions, to attract and retain capable management, and to finance expansion. Weakness in the banking or real estate industry, a recessionary economic climate with the consequent slowdown in employment growth, less favorable trends in unemployment or a marked deceleration in real disposable personal income growth could result in significant pressure on both consumer wealth and consumer confidence, adversely affecting consumer spending habits. In addition, competitiveness of the retail industry will require large capital outlays for investment in the installation of automated checkout equipment to control inventory, to track the sale of individual items and to gauge the success of sales campaigns. Changes in demographics and consumer tastes can also affect the demand for, and the success of, consumer products and services in the marketplace. Increasing employee and retiree benefit costs may also have an adverse effect on the industry. In many sectors of the retail industry, competition may be fierce due to market saturation, converging consumer tastes and other factors. Because of these factors and the recent increase in trade opportunities with other countries, American retailers are now entering global markets which entail added risks such as sudden weakening of foreign economies, difficulty in adapting to local conditions and constraints and added research costs.

Financial Services Issuers. The Trust may invest significantly in bonds issued by companies within the bank and financial services sector.

The effects of the sub-prime mortgage crisis that began to unfold in 2007 continue to manifest in nearly all the sub-divisions of the financial services industry. Sub-prime mortgage related losses and write downs among investment banks and similar institutions reached significant levels in 2008. The impact of these losses among traditional banks, investment banks, broker/dealers and insurers has forced a number of large such institutions into either liquidation or combination, while drastically increasing the credit risk, and possibility of default, of bonds issued by such institutions faced with these troubles. In some cases, the U.S. government has acted to bail out select institutions, such as insurers, however the risk of default by such issuers has nonetheless increased substantially.

The U.S. Department of the Treasury has recently submitted legislation, which has been approved by Congress, requesting the authority to issue up to \$700 billion of Treasury securities to finance the purchase of troubled assets from financial institutions. There can be no assurance that the risks associated with investment in financial services company stocks will decrease as a result of this legislation.

Banks and their holding companies are especially subject to the adverse effects of economic recession, volatile interest rates, portfolio concentrations in geographic markets and in commercial and residential real estate loans, and competition from new entrants in their fields of business. Banks are highly dependent on net interest margin. Bank profitability is largely dependent on the availability and cost of capital funds, and can fluctuate significantly when interest rates change or due to increased competition. As initial home purchasing and refinancing activity subsided as a result of increasing interest rates and other factors, this income diminished. Economic conditions in the real estate markets, which have been weak in the past, can have a substantial effect upon banks because they generally have a portion of their assets invested in loans secured by real estate. Banks and their holding companies are subject to extensive federal regulation and, when such institutions are state-chartered, to state regulation as well. Such regulations impose strict capital requirements and limitations on the nature and extent of business activities that banks may pursue. Furthermore, bank regulators have a wide range of discretion in connection with their supervisory and enforcement authority and may substantially restrict the permissible activities of a particular institution if deemed to pose significant risks to the soundness of such institution or the safety of the federal deposit insurance fund. Regulatory actions, such as increases in the minimum capital requirements applicable to banks and increases in deposit insurance premiums required to be paid by banks and thrifts to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"), can negatively impact earnings and the ability of a company to pay dividends. Neither federal insurance of deposits nor governmental regulations, however, insures the solvency or profitability of banks or their holding companies, or insures against any risk of investment in the securities issued by such institutions.

The statutory requirements applicable to and regulatory supervision of banks and their holding companies have increased significantly and have undergone

substantial change in recent years. To a great extent, these changes are embodied in the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act; enacted in August 1989, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991, and the regulations promulgated under these laws. Many of the regulations promulgated pursuant to these laws have only recently been finalized and their impact on the business, financial condition and prospects of the securities in the Trust's portfolio cannot be predicted with certainty. The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act financial-services overhaul legislation allows banks, securities firms and insurance companies to form one-stop financial conglomerates marketing a wide range of financial service products to investors. This legislation has resulted in increased merger activity and heightened competition among existing and new participants in the field. Legislation to liberalize interstate banking has been signed into law in recent years, allowing banks to be able to purchase or establish subsidiary banks in any state. Since mid-1997, banks have been allowed to turn existing banks into branches. Consolidation is likely to continue. The Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and the Financial Accounting Standards Board require the expanded use of market value accounting by banks and have imposed rules requiring market accounting for investment securities held in trading accounts or available for sale. Adoption of additional such rules may result in increased volatility in the reported health of the industry, and mandated regulatory intervention to correct such problems. Additional legislative and regulatory changes may be forthcoming. For example, the bank regulatory authorities have proposed substantial changes to the Community Reinvestment Act and fair lending laws, rules and regulations, and there can be no certainty as to the effect, if any, that such changes would have on the bonds in the Trust's portfolio. In addition, from time to time the deposit insurance system is reviewed by Congress and federal regulators, and proposed reforms of that system could, among other things, further restrict the ways in which deposited moneys can be used by banks or reduce the dollar amount or number of deposits insured for any depositor. Such reforms could reduce profitability, as investment opportunities available to bank institutions become more limited and as consumers look for savings vehicles other than bank deposits. Banks face significant competition from other financial institutions such as mutual funds, credit unions, mortgage banking companies and insurance companies, and increased competition may result from legislative broadening of regional and national interstate banking powers. Among other benefits, such legislation allows banks and bank holding companies to acquire across previously prohibited state lines and to consolidate their various bank subsidiaries into one unit. Neither the Sponsor nor any Underwriter makes any prediction as to what, if any, manner of bank regulatory actions might ultimately be adopted or what ultimate effect such actions might have on the Trust's portfolio.

The Federal Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 generally prohibits a bank holding company from (1) acquiring, directly or indirectly, more than 5% of the outstanding shares of any class of voting securities of a bank or bank holding company, (2) acquiring control of a bank or another bank holding company, (3) acquiring all or substantially all the assets of a bank, or (4) merging or consolidating with another bank holding company, without first obtaining Federal Reserve Board ("FRB") approval. In considering an application with respect to any such transaction, the FRB is required to consider a variety of factors, including the potential anti-competitive effects of the transaction, the financial condition and future prospects of the combining and resulting institutions, the managerial resources of the resulting institution, the convenience and needs of the communities the combined organization would serve, the record of performance of each combining organization under the Community Reinvestment Act and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, and the prospective availability to the FRB of information appropriate to determine ongoing regulatory compliance with applicable banking laws. In addition, the federal Change In Bank Control Act and various state laws impose limitations on the ability of one or more individuals or other entities to acquire control of banks or bank holding companies.

The FRB has issued a policy statement on the payment of cash dividends by bank holding companies. In the policy statement, the FRB expressed its view that a bank holding company experiencing earnings weaknesses should not pay cash dividends which exceed its net income or which could only be funded in ways that would weaken its financial health, such as by borrowing. The FRB also may impose limitations on the payment of dividends as a condition to its approval of certain applications, including applications for approval of mergers and acquisitions. Neither the Sponsor nor any Underwriter makes any prediction as to the effect, if any, such laws will have on the bonds or whether such approvals, if necessary, will be obtained.

Companies engaged in the investment management industry are subject to the adverse effects of economic recession, volatile interest rates, and competition

from new entrants in their fields of business. Adverse changes in the direction of the stock market, investor confidence, equity transaction volume, the level and direction of interest rates and the outlook of emerging markets could adversely affect the financial stability, as well as the stock prices, of these companies. Additionally, competitive pressures, including increased competition with new and existing competitors, the ongoing commoditization of traditional businesses and the need for increased capital expenditures on new technology could adversely impact the profit margins of companies in the investment management and brokerage industries. Companies involved in the investment management industry are also subject to extensive regulation by government agencies and self-regulatory organizations, and changes in laws, regulations or rules, or in the interpretation of such laws, regulations and rules could adversely affect such companies.

Companies involved in the insurance, reinsurance and risk management industry underwrite, sell or distribute property, casualty and business insurance. Many factors affect insurance, reinsurance and risk management company profits, including but not limited to interest rate movements, the imposition of premium rate caps, a misapprehension of the risks involved in given underwritings, competition and pressure to compete globally, weather catastrophes or other disasters and the effects of client mergers. Individual companies may be exposed to material risks including reserve inadequacy and the inability to collect from reinsurance carriers. Insurance companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation, including the imposition of maximum rate levels, which may not be adequate for some lines of business. Proposed or potential tax law changes may also adversely affect insurance companies' policy sales, tax obligations and profitability. In addition to the foregoing, profit margins of these companies continue to shrink due to the commoditization of traditional businesses, new competitors, capital expenditures on new technology and the pressure to compete globally.

In addition to the normal risks of business, companies involved in the insurance and risk management industry are subject to significant risk factors, including those applicable to regulated insurance companies, such as:

- o the inherent uncertainty in the process of establishing property-liability loss reserves, and the fact that ultimate losses could materially exceed established loss reserves, which could have a material adverse effect on results of operations and financial condition;
- o the fact that insurance companies have experienced, and can be expected in the future to experience, catastrophic losses, which could have a material adverse impact on their financial conditions, results of operations and cash flow;
- o the inherent uncertainty in the process of establishing property-liability loss reserves due to changes in loss payment patterns caused by new claim settlement practices;
- o the need for insurance companies and their subsidiaries to maintain appropriate levels of statutory capital and surplus, particularly in light of continuing scrutiny by rating organizations and state insurance regulatory authorities, and in order to maintain acceptable financial strength or claims-paying ability ratings;
- o the extensive regulation and supervision to which insurance companies are subject, and various regulatory and other legal actions;
- o the adverse impact that increases in interest rates could have on the value of an insurance company's investment portfolio and on the attractiveness of certain of its products; and
- o the uncertainty involved in estimating the availability of reinsurance and the collectibility of reinsurance recoverables.

The state insurance regulatory framework has, during recent years, come under increased federal scrutiny, and certain state legislatures have considered or enacted laws that alter and, in many cases, increase state authority to regulate insurance companies and insurance holding company systems. Further, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners ("NAIC") and state insurance regulators are re-examining existing laws and regulations, specifically focusing on insurance companies, interpretations of existing laws and the development of new laws. In addition, Congress and certain federal agencies have investigated the condition of the insurance industry in the United States to determine whether to promulgate additional federal regulation. The Sponsor is unable to predict

whether any state or federal legislation will be enacted to change the nature or scope of regulation of the insurance industry, or what effect, if any, such legislation would have on the industry.

All insurance companies are subject to state laws and regulations that require diversification of their investment portfolios and limit the amount of investments in certain investment categories. Failure to comply with these laws and regulations would cause non-conforming investments to be treated as non-admitted assets for purposes of measuring statutory surplus and, in some instances, would require divestiture.

Telecommunications Issuers. The Trust may invest significantly in bonds issued by telecommunications companies. The telecommunications industry is subject to governmental regulation, and the products and services of telecommunications companies may be subject to rapid obsolescence. These factors could affect the value of Units. Telephone companies in the United States, for example, are subject to both state and federal regulations affecting permitted rates of returns and the kinds of services that may be offered. Certain types of companies represented in a portfolio are engaged in fierce competition for a share of the market of their products. As a result, competitive pressures are intense and the stocks are subject to rapid price volatility.

Several recent high-profile bankruptcies of large telecommunications companies have illustrated the potentially unstable condition of telecommunications companies. High debt loads that were accumulated during the industry growth spurt of the 1990s are catching up to the industry, causing debt and stock prices to trade at distressed levels for many telecommunications companies and increasing the cost of capital for needed additional investment. At the same time, demand for some telecommunications services has fallen sharply, as several key markets have become oversaturated, some local customers have switched to substitute providers and technologies, and corporate profits and the economy generally remain weak. To meet increasing competition, companies may have to commit substantial capital, particularly in the formulation of new products and services using new technologies. As a result, many companies have been compelled to cut costs by reducing their workforce, outsourcing, consolidating and/or closing existing facilities and divesting low selling product lines. Furthermore, certain companies involved in the industry have also faced scrutiny for alleged accounting irregularities that may have led to the overstatement of their financial results, and other companies in the industry may face similar scrutiny. Due to these and other factors, the risk level of owning the securities of telecommunications companies has increased substantially and may continue to rise.

While a portfolio may concentrate on the securities of established suppliers of traditional telecommunication products and services, a Trust may also invest in bonds of smaller telecommunications companies which may benefit from the development of new products and services. These smaller companies may present greater opportunities for capital appreciation, and may also involve greater risk than large, established issuers. Such smaller companies may have limited product lines, market or financial resources, and their securities may trade less frequently and in limited volume than the securities of larger, more established companies. As a result, the prices of the securities of such smaller companies may fluctuate to a greater degree than the prices of securities of other issuers.

In addition, recent federal legislation governing the United States telecommunications industry remains subject to judicial review and additional interpretation, which may adversely affect the companies whose securities are held by a Trust.

Taxable Municipal Issues. Certain bonds in a Trust may consist of taxable obligations of municipal issuers. Obligations of municipal issuers can be either general obligations of a government entity that are backed by the taxing power of such entity or revenue bonds payable from the income of a specific project or authority and are not supported by the issuer's power to levy taxes.

General obligation bonds are backed by the general taxing power of the issuer. The issuer secures these bonds by pledging its faith, credit and unlimited taxing power for the payment of principal and interest.

Revenue bonds are payable only from the revenue of a specific project or authority. They are not supported by the issuer's general power to levy taxes. The risk of default in payment of interest or principal increases if the income of the related project falters because that income is the only source of payment. All of the following bonds are revenue bonds.

Airport bonds are obligations of issuers that own and operate airports. The ability of the issuer to make payments on these bonds primarily depends on the ability of airlines to meet their obligations under use agreements. Due to increased competition, deregulation, increased fuel costs and other factors, some airlines may have difficulty meeting these obligations.

Bond banks are vehicles that pool various municipal obligations into larger offerings. This reduces the cost of borrowing for the municipalities. The types of financing projects that these obligations support vary.

Certificates of participation are generally a type of municipal lease obligation. Lease payments of a governmental entity secure payments on these bonds. These payments depend on the governmental entity budgeting appropriations for the lease payments. A governmental body cannot obligate future governments to appropriate for or make lease payments, but governments typically promise to take action necessary to include lease payments in their budgets. If a government fails to budget for or make lease payments, sufficient funds may not exist to pay interest or principal on these bonds.

Health care bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenue from hospitals and hospital systems. The ability of these issuers to make payments on bonds depends on factors such as facility occupancy levels, demand for services, competition resulting from hospital mergers and affiliations, the need to reduce costs, government regulation, costs of malpractice insurance and claims, and government financial assistance (such as Medicare and Medicaid).

Higher education bonds are obligations of issuers that operate universities and colleges. These issuers derive revenues from tuition, dormitories, grants and endowments. These issuers face problems related to declines in the number of college-age individuals, possible inability to raise tuitions and fees, uncertainty of continued federal grants, state funding or donations, and government legislation or regulation.

Industrial revenue bonds finance the cost of acquiring, building or improving industrial projects. Private corporations usually operate these projects. The ability of the issuer to make payments on these bonds depends on factors such as the creditworthiness of the corporation operating the project, revenues generated by the project, expenses of the project and environmental or other regulatory restrictions.

Multi-family housing bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from mortgage loans on multiple family residences, retirement housing or housing projects for low to moderate-income families. These bonds are generally pre-payable at any time. It is likely that their life will be less than their stated maturity. The ability of these issuers to make payments on bonds depends on such factors as rental income, occupancy levels, operating expenses, mortgage default rates, taxes, government regulations and appropriation of subsidies.

Other care bonds include obligations of issuers that derive revenue from mental health facilities, nursing homes and intermediate care facilities. These bonds are similar to health care bonds and the issuers face the same general risks.

Public building bonds finance the cost of acquiring, leasing, building or improving public buildings such as offices, recreation facilities, convention centers, police stations, correctional institutions and parking garages. The ability of the issuers to make payments on these bonds depends on factors such as the government budgeting sufficient funds to make lease or mortgage payments on the facility, user fees or rents, costs of maintenance and decreases in use of the facility.

Public education bonds are obligations of issuers that operate primary and secondary schools. The ability of these issuers to make payments on these bonds depends primarily on ad valorem taxes. These issuers may also face problems related to litigation contesting state constitutionality of public education financing.

Retail electric/gas/telephone bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from the retail sale of utilities to customers. The ability of these issuers to make payments on these bonds depends on factors such as the rates and demand for these utilities, competition, government regulation and rate approvals, overhead expenses and the cost of fuels.

Single family housing bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from mortgage loans on single family residences. Single family residences generally include one to four-family dwellings. These bonds are similar to

multi-family housing bonds and the issuers face the same general risks.

Tax district bonds are obligations secured by a pledge of taxing power by a municipality, such as tax increment financing or tax allocation bonds. These bonds are similar to general obligation bonds. Unlike general obligation bonds, however, the municipality does not pledge its unlimited taxing power to pay these bonds. Instead, the municipality pledges revenues from a specific tax to pay these bonds. If the tax cannot support payment of interest and principal, a municipality may need to raise the related tax to pay these bonds. An inability to raise the tax could have an adverse affect on these bonds.

Transportation bonds are obligations of issuers that own and operate public transit systems, ports, highways, turnpikes, bridges and other transportation systems. The ability of these issuers to make payments on these bonds depends on variations in use, the degree of government subsidization, competition from other forms of transportation and increased costs. Port authorities derive revenues primarily from fees imposed on ships using the port facilities. These fees can fluctuate depending on the local economy and competition from air, rail and truck transportation. Increased fuel costs, alternative transportation modes and competition from toll-free bridges and roads will impact revenues of issuers that operate bridges, roads or tunnels.

Waste disposal bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from resource recovery facilities. These facilities process solid waste, generate steam and convert steam to electricity. These issuers face problems such as costs and delays due to environmental concerns, effects of conservation and recycling, destruction or condemnation of a project, void or unenforceable contracts, changes in the economic availability of raw materials, operating supplies or facilities, and other unavoidable changes that adversely affect operation of a project.

Water and sewer bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from user fees from the sale of water and sewerage services. These issuers face problems such as the ability to obtain rate increases, population declines, difficulties in obtaining new fresh water supplies and "no-growth" zoning ordinances. These issuers also face many of the same problems of waste disposal issuers.

Wholesale electric bonds are obligations of issuers that derive revenues from selling electricity to other utilities. The ability of these issuers to make payments on these bonds depends on factors such as the rates and demand for electric utilities, competition, overhead expenses and government regulation and rate approvals.

Zero Coupon Bonds. Certain of the bonds in a Trust may be "zero coupon" bonds. Zero coupon bonds are purchased at a deep discount because the buyer receives only the right to receive a final payment at the maturity of the bond and does not receive any periodic interest payments. The effect of owning deep discount bonds which do not make current interest payments (such as the zero coupon bonds) is that a fixed yield is earned not only on the original investment but also, in effect, on all discount earned during the life of such income on the bond at a rate as high as the implicit yield on the discount bond, but at the same time eliminates the holder's ability to reinvest at higher rates in the future. For this reason, zero coupon bonds are subject to substantially greater price fluctuations during periods of changing market interest rates than are securities of comparable quality which pay interest.

Insurance on the Bonds

Insurance has been obtained by each Insured Trust, by the issuer of bonds in certain Trusts, by a prior owner of such bonds, or by the Sponsor prior the deposit of such bonds guaranteeing prompt payment of interest and principal, when due, in respect of the bonds in such Insured Trust. See "The Trusts--Objective and Bond Selection" in the prospectus. Each insurance policy obtained by an Insured Trust, if any, is non-cancelable and will continue in force so long as such Insured Trust is in existence, the respective Portfolio Insurer is still in business and the bonds described in such policy continue to be held by such Insured Trust (see "Portfolio" for the Trust in the Prospectus Part I). Non-payment of premiums on a policy obtained by an Insured Trust will not result in the cancellation of insurance but will force the insurer to take action against the Trustee to recover premium payments due it. The Trustee in turn will be entitled to recover such payments from such Insured Trust. Premium rates for each issue of bonds protected by the policy obtained by an Insured Trust are fixed for the life of an Insured Trust. The premium for any insurance policy or policies obtained by an issuer of bonds has been paid by such issuer, and any such policy or policies are non-cancelable and will continue in force so

long as the bonds so insured are outstanding and the Portfolio Insurer remains in business. If the provider of an original issuance insurance policy is unable to meet its obligations under such policy or if the rating assigned to the claims-paying ability of any such insurer deteriorates, the Portfolio Insurers have no obligation to insure any issue adversely affected by either of the above described events.

The aforementioned Trust insurance guarantees the timely payment of principal and interest on the bonds as they fall due. For the purposes of the Portfolio Insurance, "when due" generally means the stated maturity date for the payment of principal and interest. However, in the event (a) an issuer of a bond defaults in the payment of principal or interest on such bond, (b) such issuer enters into a bankruptcy proceeding or (c) the maturity of such bond is accelerated, the Portfolio Insurer involved has the option, in its sole discretion, for a limited period of time after receiving notice of the earliest to occur of such a default, bankruptcy proceeding or acceleration to pay the outstanding principal amount of such bond plus accrued interest to the date of such payment and thereby retire the bond from an Insured Trust prior to such bond's stated maturity date. The insurance does not guarantee the market value of the bonds or the value of the Units. Insurance obtained by an Insured Trust is only effective as to bonds owned by and held in such Insured Trust. In the event of a sale of any such bond by the Trustee, such insurance terminates as to such bond on the date of sale.

Pursuant to an irrevocable commitment of the Portfolio Insurers, the Trustee, upon the sale of a bond covered under a portfolio insurance policy obtained by an Insured Trust, has the right to obtain permanent insurance with respect to such bond (i.e., insurance to maturity of the bonds regardless of the identity of the holder thereof) (the "Permanent Insurance") upon the payment of a single predetermined insurance premium and any expenses related thereto from the proceeds of the sale of such bond. Accordingly, any bond in an Insured Trust is eligible to be sold on an insured basis. It is expected that the Trustee would exercise the right to obtain Permanent Insurance only if upon such exercise an Insured Trust would receive net proceeds (sale of bond proceeds less the insurance premium and related expenses attributable to the Permanent Insurance) from such sale in excess of the sale proceeds if such bonds were sold on an uninsured basis. The insurance premium with respect to each bond eligible for Permanent Insurance would be determined based upon the insurability of each bond as of the Date of Deposit and would not be increased or decreased for any change in the creditworthiness of each bond.

The Sponsor believes that the Permanent Insurance option provides an advantage to an Insured Trust in that each bond insured by an Insured Trust insurance policy may be sold out of the Insured Trust with the benefits of the insurance attaching thereto. Thus, the value of the insurance, if any, at the time of sale, can be realized in the market value of the bond so sold (which is not the case in connection with any value attributable to such Insured Trust's portfolio insurance). See "Public Offering--Offering Price" in the Prospectus Part II. Because any such insurance value may be realized in the market value of the bond upon the sale thereof upon exercise of the Permanent Insurance option, the Sponsor anticipates that (a) in the event an Insured Trust were to be comprised of a substantial percentage of bonds in default or significant risk of default, it is much less likely that the Insured Trust would need at some point in time to seek a suspension of redemptions of Units than if the Insured Trust were to have no such option (see "Rights of Unitholders--Redemption of Units" in the Prospectus Part II) and (b) at the time of termination of an Insured Trust, if the Insured Trust were holding defaulted bonds or bonds in significant risk of default, the Insured Trust would not need to hold such bonds until their respective maturities in order to realize the benefits of the Insured Trust's portfolio insurance. (See "Trust Administration--Termination of Trust Agreement" in the Prospectus Part II.)

Except as indicated below, insurance obtained by an Insured Trust has no effect on the price or redemption value of Units. It is the present intention of the Evaluator to attribute a value for such insurance (including the right to obtain Permanent Insurance) for the purpose of computing the price or redemption value of Units if the bonds covered by such insurance are in default in payment of principal or interest or in significant risk of such default. The value of the insurance will be equal to the difference between (i) the market value of a bond which is in default in payment of principal or interest or in significant risk of such default assuming the exercise of the right to obtain Permanent Insurance (less the insurance premium and related expenses attributable to the purchase of Permanent Insurance) and (ii) the market value of such bond not covered by Permanent Insurance. See "Public Offering--Offering Price" in the Prospectus Part II for a more complete description of an Insured Trust's method of valuing defaulted bonds which have a significant risk of default.

ACA Financial Guaranty Corporation ("ACA Financial Guaranty"). ACA Financial Guaranty is an insurance subsidiary of ACA Capital Holding, Inc. that is organized in the State of Maryland. ACA Financial Guaranty assumes credit risk through the issuance of financial guaranty insurance policies across all of its business lines. While they are subject to Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("S&P") guidelines and capital adequacy tests which must be met in order to maintain a rating, as well as internal risk management parameters, their insured risk portfolio contains exposures of various credit qualities.

As of March 31, 2008, ACA Financial Guaranty had a CCC financial strength rating from S&P with a CreditWatch outlook. This rating is crucial to ongoing business strategy. This rating is subject to periodic review by S&P, and S&P may revise or withdraw its rating at any time at its sole discretion. Such an action may be based on factors which are entirely outside of the company's control, such as changes in the views or the policies of the rating agencies in relation to the financial guaranty industry, changes to the risk profile of ACA Financial Guaranty's insurance portfolio or to other factors considered by S&P in providing such rating, or adverse developments in general economic conditions or the financial condition or results of operations of ACA Financial Guaranty. In addition, the financial strength rating of financial guaranty companies is based in part on the maintenance of specified amounts of resources available to pay claims.

As of December 31, 2006, ACA Financial Guaranty noted that it had met its capital requirement with statutory capital of \$387.1 million, and further noted that S&P had rated the company as A-rated. At the time, the company recognized that any change in applicable capital requirements or the incurrence of losses in excess of expectations could diminish capital below required rating agency levels. For instance, in 2004, the company had to raise capital in response to an increase in S&P capital requirements. It may be difficult or costly to raise the additional capital necessary to satisfy the rating agency levels in the future. The company currently intends to operate the business in a manner that maintains an "A" rating, but is under no obligation to do so, is not currently able to do so, and may not be able to do so going forward. An S&P downgrade of the financial strength rating, and/or placement of the company on its CreditWatch negative list or a change in its outlook to negative, could cause the reputation and financial performance in the structured credit and public finance industries to be materially adversely affected, which in turn could materially adversely impact financial performance. In addition, under the terms of a credit agreement, to the extent the company had outstanding borrowings under this facility, these borrowings would become due immediately, and would be unable to make future borrowings, when the financial strength rating falls below "A-."

The parent company of ACA Financial Guaranty ("ACA") maintains a website at www.aca.com. ACA makes available on their website, free of charge and as soon as reasonably practicable after they file with, or furnish to, the SEC, copies of their most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K, all Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and all Current Reports on Form 8-K, including all amendments to those reports. In addition, copies of their Corporate Governance Guidelines, Code of Conduct, Code of Ethics for Chief Executive Officer and Senior Financial Officers, Policy Regarding Director Independence Determinations and the governing charters for each Committee of their Board of Directors are available free of charge on the website, as well as in print to any stockholder upon request. The public may read and copy materials they file with the SEC in person at the public reference facility maintained by the SEC at its public reference room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, and copies of all or any part thereof may be obtained from that office upon payment of the prescribed fees. You may call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference room and you can request copies of the documents, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by writing to the SEC. In addition, the SEC maintains a web site at <http://www.sec.gov> that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding companies, including ACA Financial Guaranty, that file electronically with the SEC.

The information relating to ACA Financial Guaranty contained above has been furnished by ACA Financial Guaranty or the rating agencies. No representation is made herein as to the accuracy or adequacy of such information, or as to the existence of any adverse changes in such information subsequent to the date hereof.

Ambac Assurance Corporation ("Ambac Assurance"). Ambac Financial Group, Inc., headquartered in New York City, is a holding company incorporated on April 29, 1991. Ambac's activities are divided into two business segments: (i) Financial Guarantee and (ii) Financial Services. Ambac provides financial guarantee

insurance for public and structured finance obligations through its principal operating subsidiary, Ambac Assurance Corporation. Ambac Assurance is the successor to the founding financial guarantee insurance company, which wrote the first bond insurance policy in 1971. As a holding company, Ambac is largely dependent on dividends from Ambac Assurance to pay dividends on its common stock, to pay principal and interest on its indebtedness and to pay its operating expenses.

As of August 26, 2008, Ambac Assurance has financial strength ratings of Aa3 from Moody's Investors Services, Inc. ("Moody's") and AA from S&P. These ratings are an essential part of Ambac Assurance's ability to provide credit enhancement and are essential to Ambac Assurance's ability to compete in the financial guarantee business. Considering the high levels of delinquencies and defaults within residential mortgage loans, each of these rating agencies began a review of the capital adequacy of the financial guarantee industry in the fall of 2007. In late December 2007, following the rating agency reviews, Ambac Assurance's triple-A rating was affirmed by both S&P (with "negative outlook") and Moody's; however, Fitch Ratings, Inc. ("Fitch") placed Ambac's triple-A rating on "rating watch negative" and stated that Ambac Assurance had a modeled \$1 billion capital shortfall. On January 16, 2008, Moody's put Ambac Assurance's triple-A rating on review for possible downgrade. On January 18, 2008, S&P placed Ambac Assurance's triple-A financial strength rating on Credit Watch Negative. On January 18, 2008, Fitch downgraded Ambac Assurance's insurance financial strength rating to double-A ("rating watch negative"). On February 25, 2008, S&P reaffirmed Ambac Assurance's triple-A rating, but kept it on Credit Watch Negative. On February 29, 2008, Moody's publicly announced that it is continuing a review for possible downgrade that was initiated on January 16, 2008. On June 4, 2008, Moody's placed its Aaa rating of Ambac Assurance's insurance financial strength on review for possible downgrade. On June 5, 2008, S&P downgraded Ambac Assurance's insurance financial strength rating to AA from AAA, and placed the rating on CreditWatch with negative implications. On June 19, 2008, Moody's downgraded Ambac Assurance's insurance financial strength rating from Aaa to Aa3, with a negative outlook. Moody's June 19, 2008, downgrade of Ambac Assurance's insurance financial strength rating reflects Ambac Assurance's overall credit profile in the current environment, including its significantly constrained new business prospects, its impaired financial flexibility and increased expected and stress loss projections among its mortgage-related risk exposures relative to previous estimates. Moody's noted, however, that these risks are mitigated somewhat by Ambac Assurance's substantive capital cushion at the current rating level and that this was an important consideration in arriving at the Aa3 insurance financial strength rating. On August 14, 2008, S&P affirmed Ambac Assurance's insurance financial strength rating of AA, with a negative outlook, and removed it from CreditWatch Negative. On September 18, 2008, Moody's placed the Aa3 insurance financial strength rating of Ambac on review for possible downgrade, following and upward revision to cumulative loss projections related to subprime mortgage securities exposure. On November 5, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of Ambac from Aa3 to Baal, with a developing outlook, as a result of greater than expected mortgage-related losses in the third quarter. On November 19, 2008, S&P lowered its insurance financial strength rating of Ambac to A from AA, with a negative outlook. The rating action on Ambac reflects S&P's view that Ambac's exposures in the U.S. residential mortgage sector and particularly the related collateralized debt obligation structures have been a source of significant and comparatively greater-than-competitor losses and will continue to expose the company to the potential for further adverse loss development.

There have been a number of recent developments with respect to ratings actions by the rating agencies. In light of the ongoing nature of ratings actions or announcements by the rating agencies, one should consult announcements by the rating agencies, the websites of the rating agencies and Ambac's website for the then current publicly available information. These ratings actions have had a significant impact on Ambac Assurance's ability to compete in the financial guarantee business. As a result of the rating agency actions described above, as well as significant disruption in the capital markets and investor concern with respect to our financial position, Ambac has been able to write only a limited amount of new financial guarantee business since November 2007.

Ambac Assurance is subject to insurance regulatory requirements of the States of Wisconsin and New York, and the other jurisdictions in which it is licensed to conduct business. Statutory capital and surplus was \$3,316,143 and \$3,696,876 at December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Qualified statutory capital was \$6,422,486 and 6,382,490 at December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Statutory net income for Ambac Assurance was \$53,964, \$788,989 and \$707,402 for 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively. Statutory capital and surplus differs from stockholders' equity determined under GAAP principally due to statutory accounting rules that

treat loss reserves, premiums earned, policy acquisition costs and deferred income taxes differently.

The parent company of Ambac Assurance, Ambac Financial Group, Inc. ("Ambac Company"), is subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and in accordance therewith files reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. These reports, proxy statements and other information can be read and copied at the SEC's public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. The SEC maintains an Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov> that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding companies that file electronically with the SEC, including Ambac Company. These reports, proxy statements and other information can be read at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 20 Broad Street, New York, New York, 10005. Copies of Ambac Assurance's financial statements prepared in accordance with statutory accounting standards are available from Ambac Assurance. The address of Ambac Assurance's administrative offices and its telephone number are One State Street Plaza, 19th Floor, New York, New York, 10004 and (212) 668-0340.

The information relating to Ambac Assurance contained above has been furnished by Ambac Assurance or the rating agencies. No representation is made herein as to the accuracy or adequacy of such information, or as to the existence of any adverse changes in such information subsequent to the date hereof.

Assured Guaranty Corp. ("Assured Guaranty"). Assured Guaranty, an insurance subsidiary of Assured Guaranty Ltd. ("Assured"), is organized in the State of Maryland. Assured Guaranty is a financial guaranty insurance company licensed in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, focused on providing triple-A rated credit enhancement to the mortgage- and asset-backed securities, public finance, structured finance and structured credit markets.

On June 18, 2008, S&P affirmed its AAA rating of Assured Guaranty's insurance financial strength, with a stable outlook. This rating is crucial to ongoing business strategy. This rating is subject to periodic review by S&P, and S&P may revise or withdraw its rating at any time at its sole discretion. Such an action may be based on factors which are entirely outside of the company's control, such as changes in the views or the policies of the rating agencies in relation to the financial guaranty industry, changes to the risk profile of Assured Guaranty's insurance portfolio or to other factors considered by S&P in providing such rating, or adverse developments in general economic conditions or the financial condition or results of operations of Assured Guaranty. In addition, the financial strength rating of financial guaranty companies is based in part on the maintenance of specified amounts of resources available to pay claims.

On March 14, 2008, Moody's affirmed its Aaa rating of Assured Guaranty's insurance financial strength, with a stable outlook. Moody's noted that this rating reflects Moody's assessment of the capital adequacy and strengthened market position of Assured Guaranty. On July 21, 2008, Moody's placed the Aaa insurance financial strength ratings of Assured Guaranty and its affiliates on review for possible downgrade. On November 21, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of Assured Guaranty from Aaa to Aa2, with a stable outlook. Moody's November 21, 2008 downgrade results from Assured Guaranty's exposure to weakness inherent in the financial guaranty business model.

As of December 31, 2007, Assured Guaranty was in compliance with applicable financial covenants requiring the insurer to maintain qualified statutory capital of at least 75% of its statutory capital as of its fiscal quarter prior to November 6, 2006. Net statutory income for Assured Guaranty was \$71.6 million in 2007, up from \$64.3 million in 2006, mostly due to a larger investment portfolio and a loss recovery of \$14.5 million. In view of Assured Guaranty's expansion, underwriting expenses increased 15.2% from 2006, to \$84.8 million. Net premiums earned were \$107.1 million, which were basically flat with 2006. Financial leverage at the holding company is modest, with debt to capital of 9.8% as of December 31, 2007. Operating return on average equity for Assured was 9.8%. Statutory investment income rose to \$57.9 million from \$53.1 million in 2006. Cash and invested assets at December 31, 2007, rose to \$1.3 billion, from \$1.2 billion at December 31, 2006. A 26.5% growth in the unearned premium reserve to \$302.3 million contributed to this gain.

On November 14, 2008, Assured announced that it has reached a definitive agreement with Dexia SA to purchase Financial Security Assurance Holdings Ltd.

("FSAH"), the parent of financial guaranty insurance company, Financial Security Assurance, Inc. The definitive agreement provides that Assured will be fully protected against exposure to FSAH's Financial Products segment, which includes its guaranteed investment contract business. The transaction, which has been approved by the Board of Directors of both Assured and of Dexia SA, is subject to approval by Assured's shareholders as well as the customary regulatory approvals. In addition, the transaction closing is contingent on confirmation from Standard & Poor's, Moody's and Fitch Ratings that the acquisition of FSAH would not have a negative impact on Assured's or FSAH's financial strength ratings. The transaction is expected to close in the first quarter 2009.

Assured maintains a website at www.assuredguaranty.com, and makes available on their website, free of charge and as soon as reasonably practicable after they file with, or furnish to, the SEC, copies of their most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K, all Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and all Current Reports on Form 8-K, including all amendments to those reports. In addition, copies of their Corporate Governance Guidelines, Code of Conduct, Code of Ethics for Chief Executive Officer and Senior Financial Officers, Policy Regarding Director Independence Determinations and the governing charters for each Committee of their Board of Directors are available free of charge on the website, as well as in print to any stockholder upon request. The public may read and copy materials they file with the SEC in person at the public reference facility maintained by the SEC at its public reference room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549 and copies of all or any part thereof may be obtained from that office upon payment of the prescribed fees. You may call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference room and you can request copies of the documents, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by writing to the SEC. In addition, the SEC maintains a web site at <http://www.sec.gov> that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding companies, including Assured, that file electronically with the SEC.

The information contained above relating to Assured Guaranty and its parent company, Assured, is based upon publicly available information, or upon information that has been provided by the ratings agencies. No representation is made herein as to the accuracy or adequacy of such information, or as to the existence of any adverse changes in such information subsequent to the date hereof.

Berkshire Hathaway Assurance Corp ("BHAC"). BHAC is a bond insurance company created by Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. ("Berkshire") in December 2007, to insure municipal and state bonds initially in New York, and later in states including California, Puerto Rico, Texas, Illinois, and Florida. On February 12, 2008, CEO Warren Buffett announced a plan to add up to \$5 billion in capital to BHAC to enable it to provide reinsurance on municipal bonds currently guaranteed by Ambac, MBIA, and FGIC.

Berkshire is a holding company owning subsidiaries engaged in a number of diverse business activities. The most important of these are insurance businesses conducted on both a primary basis and a reinsurance basis. Berkshire also owns and operates a large number of other businesses engaged in a variety of activities, as identified herein. Berkshire is domiciled in the state of Delaware, and its corporate headquarters is located in Omaha, Nebraska.

Berkshire's insurance companies maintain capital strength at exceptionally high levels. This strength differentiates Berkshire's insurance companies from their competitors. Collectively, the aggregate statutory surplus of Berkshire's U.S. based insurers was approximately \$62 billion at December 31, 2007. On April 11, 2008, S&P assigned an initial rating of AAA to BHAC's insurance financial strength, with a stable outlook. On April 25, 2008, Moody's assigned an initial rating of Aaa to BHAC's insurance financial strength, with a stable outlook.

As of December 31, 2007, Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. had total assets of \$273 billion and total liabilities of \$150 billion.

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CIFG Assurance North America, Inc. ("CIFG"). CIFG, through its operating companies CIFG Assurance North America, Inc., a New York corporation, and CIFG Europe, provides financial guarantees for transactions in the public finance, structured finance, and infrastructure finance markets in the United States, Europe and around the world.

On March 6, 2008, Moody's downgraded to A1, from Aaa, the insurance financial strength ratings of CIFG. These rating actions reflect Moody's assessment of CIFG's weakened capitalization, impaired business opportunities, and uncertain strategic direction, as a result, in part, of its exposures to the US residential mortgage market. The rating outlook is stable. Moody's believes that CIFG's significant exposure to the mortgage sector, especially ABS CDOs is indicative of a risk posture far greater than would be consistent with a Aaa rating going forward. The company's participation in several mezzanine ABS CDOs, in particular, contributed to this view. The rating agency noted that CIFG is implementing significant changes to its governance and risk management to address some of the shortcomings of its prior strategy. Moody's added that CIFG, as the smallest and most recent entrant to the financial guaranty sector, has not yet established a market position on par with its larger competitors and that the ongoing credit stress at the firm significantly weakened its franchise, raising questions about the degree to which it will be able to regain market traction within a reasonable timeframe. CIFG's profitability is likely to remain weak over the near to intermediate term, particularly given the losses that are likely to be generated by its insurance portfolio, the expected reduced issuance volume, and the limited in-force book of business, said Moody's. On January 22, 2009, Moody's upgraded the insurance financial strength rating of CIFG from B3 to Ba3, with a developing outlook, reflecting the strengthened capital adequacy profile of CIFG following its restructuring and the commutation of substantially all of its ABS CDO risks.

On June 6, 2008, S&P lowered its financial strength, financial enhancement, and issuer credit ratings on CIFG to 'A-' from 'A+'. The outlooks remain negative, reflecting reservations regarding the company's ability to maintain its position as a viable competitor in the bond insurance industry, given its current staffing levels and its below-average earnings and return on earnings. On January 22, 2009, S&P raised the insurance financial strength rating of CIFG to BB from B, with a developing outlook, while also removing the rating from CreditWatch. S&P's January 22, 2009 upgrade results from the completion of CIFG's restructuring plan involving key policyholders, creditors, and equity owners (counterparties) who had hedged their ABS CDO and commercial real estate CDO exposures with CIFG and which were significantly affected by defaults and downgrades of the underlying collateral.

On March 31, 2008, Fitch downgraded its ratings of CIFG to 'A-' from 'AA-' and removed CIFG from rating watch negative, where it was originally placed on Feb. 5, 2008. The rating outlook is negative. Fitch believes that it will be very difficult to stabilize the ratings of CIFG until the company can more effectively limit the downside risk from its SF CDOs through reinsurance or other risk mitigation initiatives. Fitch does not anticipate removing the Negative Rating Outlook over the near- to intermediate-term until the ultimate risk of loss on the SF CDO portfolio can be more definitively quantified. On October 21, 2008, Fitch withdrew its insurance financial strength rating of CIFG, which was CCC prior to withdrawal. On October 28, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of CIFG from Ba2 to B3, with direction uncertain, reflecting Moody's expectation of substantially higher mortgage-related losses arising from CIFG's insured portfolio, as well as the possibility that certain troubled exposures could be commuted.

As of December 31, 2007, CIFG had admitted assets of \$238 million, total liabilities of \$205 million, and total surplus as regards policyholders of \$66 million.

The information relating to CIFG and its affiliates contained above has been furnished by CIFG or the rating agencies. No representation is made herein as to the accuracy or adequacy of such information, or as to the existence of any adverse changes in such information subsequent to the date hereof.

Financial Guaranty Insurance Company ("FGIC"). FGIC is a wholly owned subsidiary of FGIC Corporation. The company provides financial guaranty insurance and other forms of credit enhancement for public finance and structured finance obligations. FGIC typically guarantees the scheduled payments of principal and interest on an issuer's obligations when due. FGIC is licensed to write financial guaranty insurance in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and, through a branch, the United Kingdom.

The recent deterioration in the U.S. housing and mortgage markets and the global credit markets, which accelerated in the fourth quarter of 2007, has adversely affected the company's business, results of operations and financial condition. The company's financial strength and credit ratings were recently

downgraded by various rating agencies. For the fourth quarter of 2007 significant loss reserves were established for the exposure to certain collateralized debt obligations of asset-backed securities, which are backed primarily by subprime residential mortgage-backed securities, and to certain residential mortgage-backed securities, primarily backed by second-lien mortgages. As a result of these developments, the company has ceased writing new business for a period of time to preserve capital and is considering various alternatives to enhance its capital, restructure its operations and mitigate losses. However, no assurance can be given that any action taken by the company will improve its current ratings, that further rating downgrades will not occur, or that the company will be able to recommence writing new business in the near term or at all.

Prior to the fourth quarter of 2007, FGIC's financial strength was rated "Aaa" by Moody's "AAA" by S&P, and "AAA" by Fitch. Moody's, S&P and Fitch have since completed several assessments of FGIC's capital adequacy in relation to the Company's exposure to ABS CDOs which are backed primarily by subprime RMBS, and its exposure to first-lien and second-lien RMBS. As a result of these assessments, Moody's, S&P and Fitch downgraded the financial strength ratings of FGIC. As of March 31, 2008, Fitch had downgraded FGIC from AA to BBB with Negative Ratings Watch; Moody's had downgraded FGIC from A3 to Baa3 and the Company remains on review for possible downgrade; and S&P had downgraded FGIC from A to BB and the Company remains on CreditWatch with negative implications. On June 20, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of FGIC from Baa3 to B1, reflecting FGIC's severely impaired financial flexibility and proximity to minimum regulatory capital requirements relative to Moody's estimates of expected case losses. On August 29, 2008, the BB insurance financial strength rating of FGIC was affirmed by S&P, however FGIC remains on CreditWatch with negative implications. The financial strength ratings downgrades have adversely impacted the Company's ability to generate new business and, unless restored, will impact the Company's future business, operations and financial results. On October 24, 2008, Moody's placed the B1 insurance financial strength rating of FGIC under review for possible downgrade, reflecting Moody's expectation of further stress on FGIC's risk-adjusted capital position in light of continued deterioration in housing fundamentals and the related implications on FGIC's mortgage-related exposures. On November 24, 2008, S&P lowered its insurance financial strength rating of FGIC to CCC from BB, with a negative outlook, while also removing its rating from CreditWatch. S&P's November 24, 2008 downgrade results from FGIC's exposure to nonprime and second-lien mortgages and related collateralized debt obligations of asset-backed securities. On December 19, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of FGIC from B1 to Caal, with a negative outlook, reflecting Moody's expectation of higher mortgage-related losses arising from FGIC's insured portfolio and the constrained liquidity and financial flexibility of the holding company.

As of December 31, 2007, FGIC had net admitted assets of approximately \$6.3 billion, total liabilities of approximately \$5.5 billion. Statutory-basis surplus of FGIC at December 31, 2007 was \$260,909.

Copies of FGIC's most recent generally accepted accounting principles and statutory accounting practices financial statements are available upon request to: Financial Guaranty Insurance Company, 125 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10017, Attention: Corporate Communications Department. Financial Guaranty's telephone number is (212) 312-3000.

The information relating to FGIC and its affiliates contained above has been furnished by FGIC or the rating agencies. No representation is made herein as to the accuracy or adequacy of such information, or as to the existence of any adverse changes in such information subsequent to the date hereof.

Financial Security Assurance, Inc. ("FSA"). Financial Security Assurance Holdings Ltd., through its insurance company subsidiaries, is primarily engaged in the business of providing financial guaranty insurance on public finance and asset-backed obligations in domestic and international markets. The company's principal insurance company subsidiary is Financial Security Assurance Inc., a wholly owned New York insurance company. FSA wholly owns FSA Insurance Company ("FSAIC"). FSAIC is an Oklahoma insurance company that primarily provides reinsurance to FSA. FSA is a subsidiary of Dexia Holdings, Inc. ("Dexia"), which, in turn, is owned 90% by Dexia Credit Local S.A. and 10% by Dexia S.A. Dexia is a Belgian corporation whose shares are traded on the Euronext Brussels and Euronext Paris markets as well as on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. Dexia is primarily engaged in the business of public finance, banking and investment management in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and other European countries, as well as in the United States. Dexia Credit Local is a wholly owned subsidiary of Dexia.

FSA's financial statements have been materially adversely impacted by "mark to market" adjustments that reflect the current market dislocation rather than management's expectation of credit losses or asset impairment. Downgrades of FSA's Triple-A financial strength ratings could have a material adverse effect on its long-term competitive position and prospects for future business opportunities as well as its results of operations and financial condition. If FSA were downgraded, the Company might be required to post incremental collateral to its investment agreement and derivative counterparties, introducing liquidity risk. In such event, the Company would be required to raise cash to fund such withdrawals by selling assets, in some cases realizing substantial market value loss, or to borrow against the value of such assets.

As of March 31, 2008, all three rating agencies have affirmed FSA's Triple-A rating with a stable outlook. S&P, Moody's and Fitch periodically make an assessment of FSA, which may include an assessment of the credits insured by FSA and of the reinsurers and other providers of capital support to FSA, to confirm that FSA continues to satisfy the rating agencies' capital adequacy criteria necessary to maintain FSA's Triple-A ratings. Rating agency capital models, the assumptions used in the models and the components of the capital adequacy calculations, including ratings and, in the case of S&P, capital charges, are subject to change by the rating agencies at any time. Any of Fitch, Moody's or S&P may conclude that FSA will need to raise additional capital or take other measures to maintain its Triple-A ratings, regardless of whether losses actually occur. As a result, the Company may be required to take measures to preserve or raise capital, including through, among other things, increased use of reinsurance, capital contributions from Dexia or the issuance of debt securities. Management believes that, subject to market conditions, FSA has the ability to take the measures necessary to maintain its Triple-A ratings, but there can be no assurance that it will be able to do so, as requirements imposed by the rating agencies are outside the control of the Company. On July 21, 2008, Moody's placed the Aaa insurance financial strength ratings of FSA and its affiliated insurance operating companies on review for possible downgrade. On August 6, 2008, Fitch affirmed its AAA insurance financial strength ratings of FSA and its affiliated insurance operating companies, and S&P revised its outlook on FSA to negative from stable, and affirmed its AAA ratings. On October 8, 2008, S&P placed the AAA ratings of FSA on CreditWatch with negative implications. On October 9, 2008, Fitch placed the AAA insurance financial strength ratings of FSA on Rating Watch Negative. On November 21, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of FSA from Aaa to Aa3, with a developing outlook. Moody's November 21, 2008 downgrade of FSA and its supported insurance companies reflects FSA's diminished business and financial profile resulting from its exposure to losses from US mortgage risks and disruption in the financial guaranty business more broadly.

On November 14, 2008, Assured announced that it has reached a definitive agreement with Dexia SA to purchase FSAH, the parent of financial guaranty insurance company, FSA. The definitive agreement provides that Assured will be fully protected against exposure to FSAH's Financial Products segment, which includes its guaranteed investment contract business. The transaction, which has been approved by the Board of Directors of both Assured and of Dexia SA, is subject to approval by Assured's shareholders as well as the customary regulatory approvals. In addition, the transaction closing is contingent on confirmation from Standard & Poor's, Moody's and Fitch Ratings that the acquisition of FSAH would not have a negative impact on Assured's or FSAH's financial strength ratings. The transaction is expected to close in the first quarter 2009.

As of December 31, 2007, FSA had consolidated shareholder equity of \$1.6 billion, and total claims paying resources of \$6.7 billion.

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MBIA Insurance Corporation ("MBIA"). MBIA is the principal operating subsidiary of MBIA, Inc., a Connecticut corporation. MBIA Corp. is the successor to the business of the Municipal Bond Insurance Association, which began writing financial guarantees for municipal bonds in 1974. MBIA Corp. is the parent of MBIA Insurance Corp. of Illinois ("MBIA Illinois") and Capital Markets Assurance Corporation ("CapMAC"), both financial guarantee insurance companies that were acquired by MBIA Corp. At present, no new financial guarantee insurance is being offered by MBIA Illinois or CapMAC, but it is possible that either of those entities may insure transactions in the future.

On January 17, 2008, Moody's placed the Aaa insurance financial strength ratings of MBIA Corp. and its insurance affiliates on watch list negative. On January 31, 2008, S&P placed the AAA insurance financial strength ratings of MBIA Corp. and its insurance affiliates on CreditWatch negative. On February 5, 2008, Fitch placed the AAA insurer financial strength ratings of MBIA Corp. and its insurance affiliates on rating watch negative. On February 25, 2008, S&P affirmed the AAA insurance financial strength ratings of MBIA Corp. and its insurance affiliates, the AA- rating of MBIA Inc.'s senior debt and the AA ratings of MBIA Corp.'s North Castle Custodial Trusts I-VIII, with a negative outlook. On February 26, 2008, Moody's affirmed the Aaa insurance financial strength ratings of MBIA Corp. and its insurance affiliates, the Aa2 ratings of MBIA Corp.'s Surplus Notes and the Aa3 ratings of the junior obligations of MBIA Corp. and the senior debt of MBIA Inc., with a negative rating outlook. On June 4, 2008, Moody's placed its Aaa rating of MBIA's insurance financial strength on review for possible downgrade. On June 5, 2008, S&P downgraded MBIA's insurance financial strength rating to AA from AAA, and placed the rating on CreditWatch with negative implications. On June 19, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength ratings of MBIA and its insurance affiliates from Aaa to A2. In the same rating action, Moody's also downgraded MBIA Corp.'s Surplus Notes from Aa2 to Baal, and MBIA Inc.'s senior debt rating from Aa3 to Baa2. Moody's June 19, 2008 downgrade of MBIA and its insurance affiliates reflects MBIA's limited financial flexibility and impaired franchise, as well as the substantial risk within its portfolio of insured exposures and a movement toward more aggressive capital management within the group. MBIA Corp.'s ability to attract new business and to compete with other financial guarantors has been adversely affected by these rating agency actions. MBIA Corp.'s ability to attract new business and to compete with other triple-A rated financial guarantors and its results of operations and financial condition would be materially adversely affected by any actual reduction, or additional suggested possibility of a reduction, in its ratings. On August 14, 2008, S&P affirmed MBIA's insurance financial strength rating of AA, with a negative outlook, and removed it from CreditWatch Negative. On September 18, 2008, Moody's placed the A2 insurance financial strength rating of MBIA on review for possible downgrade, following an upward revision to cumulative loss projections related to subprime mortgage securities exposure. On November 7, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of MBIA and its insurance affiliates from A2 to Baal, with a developing outlook. Moody's November 7, 2008 downgrade of MBIA and its insurance affiliates reflects MBIA's diminished business and financial profile resulting from its exposure to losses from US mortgage risks and disruption in the financial guaranty business more broadly.

On February 25, 2008, MBIA, Inc. announced a plan to implement several initiatives in connection with the restructuring of MBIA's business over the next few years. A significant aspect of the plan will be the creation of separate legal operating entities for MBIA's public, structured and asset management businesses. This is intended to be accomplished as soon as feasible, with a goal of within five years. The objective behind this initiative is to retain the highest ratings possible for both the public finance and structured finance businesses. The implementation of this initiative is subject to various contingencies, including regulatory approval. There are also a number of other initiatives that are effective immediately, including: (i) the suspension of writing new structured finance business for an estimated six month period in order to both increase capital safety margins and to evaluate and revise the credit and risk management criteria and policies; (ii) the ceasing of issuing insurance policies for new credit derivative transactions except in transactions related to the reduction of existing derivative exposure; and (iii) the elimination of the current MBIA dividend to provide an additional \$174 million of capital flexibility per year. In addition, MBIA Inc. will now declare dividends on an annual basis rather than a quarterly basis.

Virtually all of the insurance policies issued by MBIA Corp. provide an unconditional and irrevocable guarantee of the payment to a designated paying agent for the holders of the insured obligations of an amount equal to the payment of the principal of, and interest or other amounts owing on, insured obligations when due or, in the event that MBIA Corp. has the right, at its discretion, to accelerate insured obligations upon default or otherwise, upon such acceleration by MBIA Corp. In addition, certain of MBIA Corp.'s insurance policies guarantee payments due under credit or other derivatives, including termination payments that may become due upon the occurrence of certain events. On February 25, 2008, MBIA Corp. announced that it ceased insuring new credit derivative contracts within its insurance operations except in transactions related to the reduction of existing derivative exposure. In the event of a default in payment of principal, interest or other insured amounts by an issuer, MBIA Corp. promises to make funds available in the insured amount generally on the next business day following notification. MBIA Corp. generally has an agreement with a bank which provides for this payment upon receipt of proof of

ownership of the obligations due, as well as upon receipt of instruments appointing the insurer as agent for the holders and evidencing the assignment of the rights of the holders with respect to the payments made by the insurer.

Because MBIA Corp. generally guarantees to the holder of the underlying obligation the timely payment of amounts due on such obligation in accordance with its original payment schedule, in the case of a default on an insured obligation, payments under the insurance policy cannot be accelerated against MBIA Corp., except in certain limited circumstances, unless MBIA Corp. consents to the acceleration. In the event of a default, however, MBIA Corp. may have the right, in its sole discretion, to accelerate the obligations and pay them in full. Otherwise, MBIA Corp. is required to pay principal, interest or other amounts only as originally scheduled payments come due. Typically, even if the holders are permitted by the terms of the insured obligations to have the full amount of principal, accrued interest or other amounts due, declared due and payable immediately in the event of a default, MBIA Corp. is required to pay only the amounts scheduled to be paid, but not in fact paid, on each originally scheduled payment date. MBIA Corp.'s payment obligations after a default vary by deal and by insurance type. There are three primary types of policy payment requirements: i) timely interest and ultimate principal; ii) ultimate principal only at final maturity; and iii) payments upon settlement of individual collateral losses as they occur upon erosion of deal deductibles.

At December 31, 2007, the net par amount outstanding on MBIA Corp.'s insured obligations (including insured obligations of MBIA Illinois, MBIA UK, MBIA Mexico and CapMAC, but excluding \$25.5 billion of MBIA insured investment agreements and MTNs for MBIA Asset Management) was \$678.7 billion. Net insurance in force, which includes all insured debt service, at December 31, 2007 was \$1,022 billion. Net insurance in force, which is net of cessions to reinsurers, is also net of other reimbursement agreements that relate to certain contracts under which MBIA Corp. is entitled to reimbursement of losses on its insured portfolio but which do not qualify as reinsurance under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As of December 31, 2007, MBIA, Inc. had admitted assets of \$47 billion (unaudited), total liabilities of \$43 billion (unaudited), and total capital and surplus of \$3.6 billion (unaudited), determined in accordance with statutory accounting practices prescribed or permitted by insurance regulatory authorities.

The information relating to MBIA and its affiliates contained above has been furnished by MBIA or the rating agencies. No representation is made herein as to the accuracy or adequacy of such information, or as to the existence of any adverse changes in such information subsequent to the date hereof.

Radian Asset Assurance, Inc. ("Radian"). Radian Group Inc. is a global credit risk management company headquartered in Philadelphia with significant operations in New York and London. Financial guaranty insurance typically provides an unconditional and irrevocable guaranty to the holder of a financial obligation of full and timely payment of principal and interest when due.

Radian Group currently has been assigned a senior debt rating of A- (CreditWatch with negative implications) by S&P and Aa3 (stable) by Moody's. On May 2, 2008, Fitch withdrew its rating of A+. On February 26, 2008, S&P downgraded Radian Insurance to A- from AA-. Radian Insurance remains on CreditWatch with negative implications. The rating change was based on the fact that Radian Insurance is no longer considered by S&P to be a strategic entity to Radian mainly because of the decision in 2007 to discontinue writing insurance on NIMS and second-liens. Radian Insurance had eight active international transactions at the time of the S&P downgrade. Of these transactions, five have early termination clauses that were triggered as a result of the downgrade which allow counterparties to terminate these transactions. On March 4, 2008, Standard Chartered Bank in Hong Kong informed Radian that they wished to terminate their contract with Radian Insurance, effective immediately. There is a possibility that Radian Insurance could be required to return to Standard Chartered Bank, or to transfer to another insurer, unearned premium related to this transaction. Unless extended, this transaction was expected to expire at the end of 2009. On January 31, 2008, Moody's announced that the ratings of the mortgage insurance subsidiaries would remain on review for possible downgrade while it evaluated the capital adequacy of all mortgage insurers. On February 25, 2008, Fitch affirmed the AA- financial strength ratings of Radian Guaranty and its operational affiliates and the A- long-term issuer ratings of Radian Group, but placed these ratings on Ratings Watch Negative as compared to the previous status of negative outlook. Fitch cited growing losses and a potential capital shortfall, which, if not addressed within the next several months, could result in a one notch downgrade. On October 10, 2008, Moody's placed the A2 insurance

financial strength rating of Radian Guaranty, as well as the ratings of its operational affiliates, on review for possible downgrade.

As of December 31, 2007, Radian had total assets of \$8.2 billion, total liabilities of \$5.5 billion, and had statutory policyholders' surplus of \$1.1 billion and a contingency reserve of \$433.3 million.

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Syncora Guarantee Inc. ("Syncora") (formerly XL Capital Assurance Inc. ("XLCA")). XL Capital Ltd ("XL Capital") was incorporated with limited liability under the Cayman Islands Companies Act on March 16, 1998. To better align XL Capital's operating and reporting structure with its current strategy, it revised its segment structure during the second quarter of 2007. Depending on the nature of the business written, the following product lines or transactions previously managed by and reported as part of the Financial Lines segment are now managed as part of the Insurance and Reinsurance segments and reported therewith: (i) structured indemnity products managed through XL Capital's financial solutions operations ("XLFS"), (ii) political risk products, (iii) weather and energy management products, and (iv) legacy financial guarantee business. Given the changes in XL Capital's operating and reporting structure as described above, it is organized into four operating segments: Insurance, Reinsurance, Life Operations, and Other Financial Lines -- in addition to a corporate segment that includes the general investment and financing operations of XL Capital.

XL Capital's ability to underwrite business is dependent upon the quality of its claims paying and financial strength ratings as evaluated by independent rating agencies. In January 2008, A.M. Best Company, Inc. ("A.M. Best") revised the financial strength rating of XL Capital's leading property and casualty operating subsidiaries to "A" from "A+" and affirmed them with a `stable' outlook. The downgrade by A.M. Best was primarily due to their concerns regarding XL Capital's historic earnings volatility. As of February 27, 2008, A.M. Best gave XL Capital a rating of A with stable outlook. In March 2008, Fitch revised the financial strength rating of XL Capital's leading property and casualty operating subsidiaries to "BB" from "A" and affirmed them with a `stable' outlook. In February 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength ratings of XL Capital's leading property and casualty operating companies to "Aaa3" from "A3". In December 2007, S&P, affirmed XL Capital's leading property and casualty operating companies' financial strength ratings at "A+" with a `stable' outlook. As of mid-June 2008, S&P maintained a BBB- rating on XL Capital's financial strength rating. On June 20, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of XLCA from A3 to B2, reflecting XLCA's severely impaired financial flexibility and proximity to minimum regulatory capital requirements relative to Moody's estimates of expected case losses. On July 29, 2008, Moody's placed its B2 insurance financial strength rating of XLCA under review with direction uncertain, and S&P stated that its BBB- financial strength rating of XLCA remains on CreditWatch with negative implications. On October 24, 2008, Moody's downgraded the insurance financial strength rating of Syncora Guarantee Inc. ("Syncora", formerly XLCA) from B2 to Caal, with the ratings placed on review with direction uncertain. On November 18, 2008, S&P lowered its insurance financial strength rating of Syncora to B from BBB-, maintaining its rating on CreditWatch with the implications revised from negative to developing. S&P's downgrade resulted from the Syncora's delay in implementing its restructuring plan and slow progress in its negotiations with counterparties of its collateralized debt obligation of asset-backed securities exposure.

As Syncora's ability to underwrite business is dependent upon the quality of its claims paying and financial strength ratings as evaluated by these independent rating agencies, a further downgrade by any of these institutions could cause its competitive position in the insurance and reinsurance industry to suffer and make it more difficult for Syncora to market its products. A downgrade could also result in a substantial loss of business for Syncora as ceding companies and brokers that place such business may move to other insurers and reinsurers with higher ratings. A downgrade of the A.M. Best financial strength rating of XL Capital Ltd, XL Insurance (Bermuda) Ltd or XL Re Ltd below "A-," which is currently two notches below XL Capital's current A.M. Best rating of "A" ("A+" as at December 31, 2007), would constitute an event of default under Syncora's letter of credit and revolving credit facilities. As well, similar downgrades by A.M. Best or S&P have the ability to trigger cancellation provisions in the majority of assumed reinsurance contracts.

The majority of Syncora's assumed reinsurance contracts contain provisions that would allow its clients to cancel the contract in the event of a downgrade in its ratings below specified levels by one or more rating agencies. Based on premium value, approximately 60% of Syncora's reinsurance contracts that incepted at January 1, 2007, contained provisions allowing clients additional rights upon a decline in XL Capital's ratings. Typically, the cancellation provisions in Syncora's assumed reinsurance contracts would be triggered if S&P or A.M. Best were to downgrade XL Capital's financial strength ratings below "A-," which is currently three levels below its current S&P rating of "A+" and two levels below its current A.M. Best rating of "A." Whether a client would exercise its cancellation rights after such a downgrade would likely depend, among other things, on the reasons for the downgrade, the extent of the downgrade, the prevailing market conditions, the degree of unexpired coverage, and the pricing and availability of replacement reinsurance coverage. In the event of such a downgrade, Syncora cannot predict whether or how many of Syncora's clients would actually exercise such cancellation rights or the extent to which any such cancellations would have a material adverse effect on Syncora's financial condition or future prospects.

As of December 31, 2007, Syncora had total assets of \$58 billion, total liabilities of \$48 billion, and had statutory policyholders' surplus of \$12.7 billion.

The public can read and copy any materials XL Capital files with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. The public can obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800- SEC-0330. The SEC maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers, including XL Capital, that file electronically with the SEC. The address of the SEC's website is <http://www.sec.gov>. XL Capital's Internet website address is <http://www.xlcapital.com>. The information contained on XL Capital's website is not incorporated by reference into this Annual Report on Form 10-K or any other of XL Capital's documents filed with or furnished to the SEC. XL Capital makes available free of charge, including through XL Capital's Internet website, XL Capital's Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC.

The information relating to Syncora and its affiliates contained above has been furnished by Syncora or the rating agencies. No representation is made herein as to the accuracy or adequacy of such information, or as to the existence of any adverse changes in such information subsequent to the date hereof.

Portfolio Administration

The Trustee is empowered to sell, for the purpose of redeeming Units tendered by any Unitholder, and for the payment of expenses for which funds may not be available, such of the bonds designated by the Supervisor as the Trustee in its sole discretion may deem necessary. The Supervisor, in designating such bonds, will consider a variety of factors, including (a) interest rates, (b) market value and (c) marketability. To the extent that bonds are sold which are current in payment of principal and interest in order to meet redemption requests and defaulted bonds are retained in the portfolio in order to preserve the related insurance protection applicable to said bonds, if any, the overall quality of the bonds remaining in a Trust's portfolio will tend to diminish. The Sponsor is empowered, but not obligated, to direct the Trustee to dispose of bonds in the event of an advanced refunding.

The Sponsor is required to instruct the Trustee to reject any offer made by an issuer of any of the bonds to issue new bonds in exchange or substitution for any bond pursuant to a refunding or refinancing plan, except that the Sponsor may instruct the Trustee to accept or reject such an offer or to take any other action with respect thereto as the Sponsor may deem proper if (1) the issuer is in default with respect to such bond or (2) in the written opinion of the Sponsor the issuer will probably default with respect to such bond in the reasonably foreseeable future. Any bond so received in exchange or substitution will be held by the Trustee subject to the terms and conditions of the Trust Agreement to the same extent as bonds originally deposited thereunder. Within five days after the deposit of obligations in exchange or substitution for underlying bonds, the Trustee is required to give notice thereof to each Unitholder, identifying the bonds eliminated and the bonds substituted therefor. Except as stated herein and under "Trust Administration--Replacement Bonds" in

the Prospectus Part II regarding the substitution of Replacement Bonds for Failed Bonds, the acquisition by a Trust of any bonds other than the bonds initially deposited is not permitted.

If any default in the payment of principal or interest on any bond occurs and no provision for payment is made therefor either pursuant to the portfolio insurance, or otherwise, within 30 days, the Trustee is required to notify the Sponsor thereof. If the Sponsor fails to instruct the Trustee to sell or to hold such bonds within 30 days after notification by the Trustee to the Sponsor of such default, the Trustee may in its discretion sell the defaulted Bond and not be liable for any depreciation or loss thereby incurred.

Sponsor Information

Sponsor. Van Kampen Funds Inc. is the Sponsor of the Portfolio. The Sponsor is a wholly owned subsidiary of Van Kampen Investments Inc. ("Van Kampen Investments"). Van Kampen Investments is a diversified asset management company that services more than three million retail investor accounts, has extensive capabilities for managing institutional portfolios and has more than \$82 billion under management or supervision as of September 30, 2008. Van Kampen Investments has more than 50 open-end funds, more than 30 closed-end funds and more than 2,200 unit investment trusts that are distributed by authorized dealers nationwide. Van Kampen Investments is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Morgan Stanley, a preeminent global financial services firm that provides a wide range of investment banking, securities, investment management and wealth management services. Morgan Stanley is a full service securities firm engaged in securities trading and brokerage activities as well as providing investment banking, research and analysis, financing and financial advisory services. The Sponsor's principal office is located at 522 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10036. As of September 30, 2008, the total stockholders equity of Van Kampen Funds Inc. was \$150,025,763 (unaudited). (This paragraph relates only to the Sponsor and not to the Trust or to any other Series thereof. The information is included herein only for the purpose of informing investors as to the financial responsibility of the Sponsor and its ability to carry out its contractual obligations. More detailed financial information will be made available by the Sponsor upon request.)

The Sponsor and your Trust have adopted a code of ethics requiring Van Kampen's employees who have access to information on Trust transactions to report personal securities transactions. The purpose of the code is to avoid potential conflicts of interest and to prevent fraud, deception or misconduct with respect to your Trust.

If the Sponsor shall fail to perform any of its duties under the Trust Agreement or become incapable of acting or shall become bankrupt or its affairs are taken over by public authorities, then the Trustee may (i) appoint a successor Sponsor at rates of compensation deemed by the Trustee to be reasonable and not exceeding amounts prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commission, (ii) terminate the Trust Agreement and liquidate the Trusts as provided therein or (iii) continue to act as Trustee without terminating the Trust Agreement.

Trustee Information

The Trustee is The Bank of New York Mellon, a trust company organized under the laws of New York. The Bank of New York Mellon has its principal unit investment trust division offices at 2 Hanson Place, 12th Floor, Brooklyn, New York 11217, telephone (800) 221-7668. The Bank of New York Mellon is subject to supervision and examination by the Superintendent of Banks of the State of New York and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and its deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to the extent permitted by law.

The duties of the Trustee are primarily ministerial in nature. It did not participate in the selection of bonds for the portfolios of any of the Trusts. In accordance with the Trust Agreement, the Trustee shall keep proper books of record and account of all transactions at its office for the Trusts. Such records shall include the name and address of, and the certificates issued by the Trusts to, every Unitholder of the Trusts. Such books and records shall be open to inspection by any Unitholder at all reasonable times during the usual business hours. The Trustee shall make such annual or other reports as may from time to time be required under any applicable state or federal statute, rule or regulation. The Trustee is required to keep a certified copy or duplicate original of the Trust Agreement on file in its office available for inspection at all reasonable times during the usual business hours by any Unitholder, together with a current list of the bonds held in the Trusts.

Under the Trust Agreement, the Trustee or any successor trustee may resign and be discharged of the trusts created by the Trust Agreement by executing an instrument in writing and filing the same with the Sponsor. The Trustee or successor trustee must mail a copy of the notice of resignation to all Unitholders then of record, not less than 60 days before the date specified in such notice when such resignation is to take effect. The Sponsor upon receiving notice of such resignation is obligated to appoint a successor trustee promptly. If, upon such resignation, no successor trustee has been appointed and has accepted the appointment within 30 days after notification, the retiring Trustee may apply to a court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor. The Sponsor may remove the Trustee and appoint a successor trustee as provided in the Trust Agreement at any time with or without cause. Notice of such removal and appointment shall be mailed to each Unitholder by the Sponsor. Upon execution of a written acceptance of such appointment by such successor trustee, all the rights, powers, duties and bonds of the original trustee shall vest in the successor. The resignation or removal of a Trustee becomes effective only when the successor trustee accepts its appointment as such or when a court of competent jurisdiction appoints a successor trustee. Any corporation into which a Trustee may be merged or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger or consolidation to which a Trustee shall be a party, shall be the successor trustee. The Trustee must be a banking corporation organized under the laws of the United States or any state and having at all times an aggregate capital, surplus and undivided profits of not less than \$5,000,000.

Taxation

The prospectus contains a discussion of certain U.S. federal income tax issues concerning your Trust and the purchase, ownership and disposition of Trust Units. The discussion below supplements the prospectus discussion and is qualified in its entirety by the prospectus discussion. Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisors with regard to the federal tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, or disposition of Trust Units, as well as the tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, locality, non-U.S. country, or other taxing jurisdiction.

The federal income tax summary below and in the prospectus is based in part on the advice of counsel to your Trust. The Internal Revenue Service could disagree with any conclusions set forth in these discussions. In addition, our counsel was not asked to review the federal income tax treatment of the assets to be held by your Trust.

Your Trust intends to elect and to qualify annually as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and to comply with applicable distribution requirements so that it will not pay federal income tax on income and capital gains distributed to its Unitholders.

To qualify for the favorable U.S. federal income tax treatment generally accorded to regulated investment companies, your Trust must, among other things, (a) derive in each taxable year at least 90% of its gross income from dividends, interest, payments with respect to securities loans and gains from the sale or other disposition of stock, securities or foreign currencies or other income derived with respect to its business of investing in such stock, securities or currencies, and net income from certain publicly traded partnerships; (b) diversify its holdings so that, at the end of each quarter of the taxable year, (i) at least 50% of the market value of the Trust's assets is represented by cash and cash items (including receivables), U.S. government securities, the securities of other regulated investment companies and other securities, with such other securities of any one issuer generally limited for the purposes of this calculation to an amount not greater than 5% of the value of the Trust's total assets and not greater than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of such issuer, and (ii) not more than 25% of the value of its total assets is invested in the securities (other than U.S. government securities or the securities of other regulated investment companies) of any one issuer, or two or more issuers which the Trust controls (by owning 20% or more of such issuer's outstanding voting securities) and which are engaged in the same, similar or related trades or businesses, or the securities of qualified publicly traded partnerships; and (c) distribute at least 90% of its investment company taxable income (which includes, among other items, dividends, interest and net short-term capital gains in excess of net long-term capital losses but excludes net capital gain, if any) and at least 90% of its net tax-exempt interest income, if any, each taxable year.

As a regulated investment company, your Trust generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its investment company taxable income (as that

term is defined in the Code, but without regard to the deduction for dividends paid) and net capital gain (the excess of net long-term capital gain over net short-term capital loss), if any, that it distributes to Unitholders. Your Trust intends to distribute to its Unitholders, at least annually, substantially all of its investment company taxable income and net capital gain. If your Trust retains any net capital gain or investment company taxable income, it will generally be subject to federal income tax at regular corporate rates on the amount retained. In addition, amounts not distributed on a timely basis in accordance with a calendar year distribution requirement are subject to a nondeductible 4% excise tax unless, generally, your Trust distributes during each calendar year an amount equal to the sum of (1) at least 98% of its ordinary income (not taking into account any capital gains or losses) for the calendar year, (2) at least 98% of its capital gains in excess of its capital losses (adjusted for certain ordinary losses) for the one-year period ending October 31 of the calendar year, and (3) any ordinary income and capital gains for previous years that were not distributed or taxed during those years. To prevent application of the excise tax, your Trust intends to make its distributions in accordance with the calendar year distribution requirement. Further, if your Trust retains any net capital gain, the Trust may designate the retained amount as undistributed capital gains in a notice to Unitholders who, if subject to federal income tax on long-term capital gains, (i) will be required to include in income for federal income tax purposes, as long-term capital gain, their share of such undistributed amount, and (ii) will be entitled to credit their proportionate share of the tax paid by the Trust against their federal income tax liabilities, if any, and to claim refunds to the extent the credit exceeds such liabilities. A distribution will be treated as paid on December 31 of the current calendar year if it is declared by your Trust in October, November or December with a record date in such a month and paid by your Trust during January of the following calendar year. These distributions will be taxable to Unitholders in the calendar year in which the distributions are declared, rather than the calendar year in which the distributions are received.

If your Trust failed to qualify as a regulated investment company or failed to satisfy the 90% distribution requirement in any taxable year, the Trust would be taxed as an ordinary corporation on its taxable income (even if such income were distributed to its Unitholders) and all distributions out of earnings and profits would be taxed to Unitholders as ordinary dividend income.

Investors in the Trust may be subject to federal, state, local, or foreign taxes in connection with their investment in the Trust. Investors are encouraged to consult their own tax advisors regarding the specific federal, state, local, and foreign tax consequences that may affect them as a result of an investment in the Trust.

Termination of the Trust Agreement

A Trust may be terminated at any time by consent of Unitholders representing 75% of the Units of the Trust then outstanding or by the Trustee when the value of the Trust, as shown by any semi-annual evaluation, is less than 20% of the original principal amount of bonds.

A Trust will be liquidated by the Trustee in the event that a sufficient number of Units not yet sold are tendered for redemption by the Underwriters, including the Sponsor, so that the net worth of the Trust would be reduced to less than 40% of the initial principal amount of the Trust. If a Trust is liquidated because of the redemption of unsold Units by the Underwriters, the Sponsor will refund to each purchaser of Units the entire sales charge paid by such purchaser.

The Trust Agreement provides that a Trust shall terminate upon the redemption, sale or other disposition of the last bond held in the Trust, but in no event shall it continue beyond the end of the year preceding the fiftieth anniversary of the Trust Agreement in the case of a Long-Term Trust and at the end of the calendar year prior to the twentieth anniversary of its execution in the case of an Intermediate-Term Trust. In the event of termination of a Trust, written notice thereof will be sent by the Trustee to each Unitholder at his address appearing on the registration books of the Trust maintained by the Trustee, such notice specifying the time or times at which the Unitholder may surrender his certificate or certificates for cancellation. Within a reasonable time thereafter the Trustee shall liquidate any bonds then held in a Trust and shall deduct from the funds of the Trust any accrued costs, expenses or indemnities provided by the Trust Agreement, including estimated compensation of the Trustee and costs of liquidation and any amounts required as a reserve to provide for payment of any applicable taxes or other governmental charges. The sale of bonds in a Trust upon termination may result in a lower amount than

might otherwise be realized if such sale were not required at such time. For this reason, among others, the amount realized by a Unitholder upon termination may be less than the principal amount or par amount of bonds represented by the Units held by such Unitholder. The Trustee shall then distribute to each Unitholder his share of the balance of the Interest and Principal Accounts. With such distribution the Unitholders shall be furnished a final distribution statement of the amount distributable. At such time as the Trustee in its sole discretion shall determine that any amounts held in reserve are no longer necessary, it shall make distribution thereof to Unitholders in the same manner.

Description of Ratings

Standard & Poor's, A Division of the McGraw-Hill Companies. A Standard & Poor's long-term debt obligation credit rating is a current opinion of the creditworthiness of an obligor with respect to a specific debt obligation. This opinion of creditworthiness may take into consideration the creditworthiness of guarantors, insurers or other forms of credit enhancement on the obligation.

The long-term debt obligation credit ratings are not a recommendation to purchase, sell or hold the debt obligation, inasmuch as they do not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor.

The long-term debt obligation credit ratings are based on current information furnished by the obligor or obtained by Standard & Poor's from other sources it considers reliable. Standard & Poor's does not perform an audit in connection with any credit rating and may, on occasion, rely on unaudited financial information. Credit ratings may be changed, suspended or withdrawn as a result of changes in, or unavailability of, such information, or based on other circumstances.

The long-term debt obligation credit ratings are based, in varying degrees, on the following considerations:

- I. Likelihood of payment--capacity and willingness of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on an obligation in accordance with the terms of the obligation.
- II. Nature of and provisions of the obligation.
- III. Protection afforded by, and relative position of, the obligation in the event of bankruptcy, reorganization or other arrangement under the laws of bankruptcy and other laws affecting creditors' rights.

The credit rating definitions are expressed in terms of default risk. As such, they pertain to senior obligations of an entity. Junior obligations are typically rated lower than senior obligations to reflect the lower priority in bankruptcy, as noted above. (Such differentiation applies when an entity has both senior and subordinate obligations, secured and unsecured obligations or operating company and holding company obligations.) Accordingly, in the case of junior debt, the rating may not conform exactly with the category definition.

AAA--An obligation rated "AAA" has the highest rating assigned by Standard & Poor's. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is extremely strong.

AA--An obligation rated "AA" differs from the highest-rated obligations only in small degree. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is very strong.

A--An obligation rated "A" is somewhat more susceptible to adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligations in higher-rated categories. However, the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is still strong.

BBB--An obligation rated "BBB" exhibits adequate protection parameters. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitment on the obligation.

Obligations rated "BB," "B," "CCC," "CC" and "C" are regarded as having significant speculative characteristics. "BB" indicates the least degree of speculation and "C" the highest. While such obligations will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, these may be outweighed by large uncertainties or major exposures to adverse conditions.

Plus (+) or Minus (-): The ratings from "AA" to "CCC" may be modified by the

addition of a plus or minus sign to show relative standing within the major rating categories.

NR--This indicates that no rating has been requested, that there is insufficient information on which to base a rating or that Standard & Poor's does not rate a particular obligation as a matter of policy.

Moody's Investors Service. Municipal long-term rating scale. Moody's municipal ratings are opinions of the investment quality of issuers and issues in the US municipal and tax-exempt markets. As such, these ratings incorporate Moody's assessment of the default probability and loss severity of these issuers and issues. The default and loss content for Moody's municipal long-term rating scale differs from Moody's general long-term rating scale.

Municipal ratings are based upon the analysis of four primary factors relating to municipal finance: economy, debt, finances, and administration/management strategies. Each of the factors is evaluated individually and for its effect on the other factors in the context of the municipality's ability to repay its debt.

Aaa--Issuers or issues rated Aaa demonstrate the strongest creditworthiness relative to other US municipal or tax-exempt issuers or issues.

Aa--Issuers or issues rated Aa demonstrate very strong creditworthiness relative to other US municipal or tax-exempt issuers or issues.

A--Issuers or issues rated A present above-average creditworthiness relative to other US municipal or tax-exempt issuers or issues.

Baa--Issuers or issues rated Baa represent average creditworthiness relative to other US municipal or tax-exempt issuers or issues.

Obligations rated "Ba," "B," "Caa," "Ca" and "C" are regarded as having significant speculative characteristics. "Ba" indicates the least degree of speculation and "C" the highest. While such obligations will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, these may be outweighed by large uncertainties or major exposures to adverse conditions.

Note: Moody's appends numerical modifiers 1, 2, and 3 to each generic rating category from Aa through Caa. The modifier 1 indicates that the issuer or obligation ranks in the higher end of its generic rating category; the modifier 2 indicates a mid-range ranking; and the modifier 3 indicates a ranking in the lower end of that generic rating category.

General long-term rating scale. Moody's long-term obligation ratings are opinions of the relative credit risk of fixed-income obligations with an original maturity of one year or more. They address the possibility that a financial obligation will not be honored as promised. Such ratings reflect both the likelihood of default and any financial loss suffered in the event of default.

Aaa--Obligations rated Aaa are judged to be of the highest quality, with minimal credit risk.

Aa--Obligations rated Aa are judged to be of high quality and are subject to very low credit risk.

A--Obligations rated A are considered upper-medium grade and are subject to low credit risk.

Baa--Obligations rated Baa are subject to moderate credit risk. They are considered medium-grade and as such may possess certain speculative characteristics.

Obligations rated "Ba," "B," "Caa," "Ca" and "C" are regarded as having significant speculative characteristics. "Ba" indicates the least degree of speculation and "C" the highest. While such obligations will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, these may be outweighed by large uncertainties or major exposures to adverse conditions.

Note: Moody's appends numerical modifiers 1, 2, and 3 to each generic rating category from Aa through Caa. The modifier 1 indicates that the issuer or obligation ranks in the higher end of its generic rating category; the modifier 2 indicates a mid-range ranking; and the modifier 3 indicates a ranking in the lower end of that generic rating category.

Estimated Cash Flows to Unitholders

The tables below set forth the per Unit estimated monthly and semi-annual distributions of interest and principal to Unitholders. The tables assume no changes in expenses, no changes in the current interest rates, no exchanges, redemptions, sales or prepayments of the underlying bonds prior to maturity or expected retirement date and the receipt of principal upon maturity or expected retirement date. To the extent the foregoing assumptions change actual distributions will vary.

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Investment Grade Trust		Monthly		Estimated Interest Distribution	Estimated Principal Distribution	Estimated Total Distribution
		Distribution Dates (Each Month)				
<S>	<C>	<C>		<C>	<C>	<C>
	March	2009		\$ 6.01		\$ 6.01
	April	2009	- January 2016	4.40		4.40
	February	2016		4.25	\$ 46.71	50.96
	March	2016	- July 2016	4.19		4.19
	August	2016		4.00	46.71	50.71
	September	2016	- March 2017	3.97		3.97
	April	2017		3.64	168.16	171.80
	May	2017	- September 2017	3.21		3.21
	October	2017		2.69	135.46	138.15
	November	2017		2.43	42.04	44.47
	December	2017		2.33	46.71	49.04
	January	2018		1.97	46.72	48.69
	February	2018		1.84	93.42	95.26
	March	2018		1.49	42.04	43.53
	April	2018		1.18	46.71	47.89
	May	2018		.76	107.81	108.57
	June	2018		.35	88.75	89.10
	July	2018		.27		.27
	August	2018		.10	42.04	42.14
	September	2018	- January 2019	.07		.07
	February	2019		.00	46.63	46.63

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Investment Grade Trust (continued)		Semi-annual		Estimated Interest Distribution	Estimated Principal Distribution	Estimated Total Distribution
		Distribution Dates (Each June and December Unless Otherwise Specified)				
<S>	<C>	<C>		<C>	<C>	<C>
	June	2009		\$19.39		\$ 19.39
	December	2009	- December 2015	26.65		26.65
	February	2016			\$ 46.71	46.71
	June	2016		25.66		25.66
	August	2016			46.71	46.71
	December	2016		24.30		24.30
	April	2017			168.16	168.16
	June	2017		22.19		22.19
	October	2017			135.46	135.46
	November	2017			42.04	42.04
	December	2017		17.27	46.71	63.98
	January	2018			46.72	46.72
	February	2018			93.42	93.42
	March	2018			42.04	42.04
	April	2018			46.71	46.71
	May	2018			107.81	107.81
	June	2018		7.69	88.75	96.44
	August	2018			42.04	42.04
	December	2018		.71		.71
	February	2019		.00	46.71	46.71

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CONTENTS OF REGISTRATION STATEMENT

This Amendment of the Registration Statement comprises the following papers and documents:

The Facing Sheet of Form S-6.
The Prospectus.
The Undertaking to File Reports.
The Signatures.
The Written Consents of Legal Counsel, Initial Evaluator and Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.

The following exhibits:

- 1.1 Trust Agreement.
 - 1.1.1 Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust. Reference is made to Exhibit 1.1.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 of Van Kampen Focus Portfolios, Insured Income Trust Series 80 (File No. 333-60654) dated May 24, 2001.
 - 1.2 Certificate of Incorporation of Van Kampen Funds Inc. Reference is made to Exhibit 1.2 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 of Van Kampen Focus Portfolios, Series 320 (File No. 333-75548) dated January 2, 2002.
 - 1.3 By-laws of Van Kampen Funds Inc. Reference is made to Exhibit 1.3 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 of Van Kampen Focus Portfolios, Series 320 (File No. 333-75548) dated January 2, 2002.
 - 1.4 Form of Dealer Agreement. Reference is made to Exhibit 1.4 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 of Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Municipal Series 560 (File No. 333-122799) dated May 18, 2005.
 - 1.5 Form of Agreement Among Underwriters. Reference is made to Exhibit 1.5 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 of Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Municipal Series 560 (File No. 333-122799) dated May 18, 2005.
- 2.1 Form of Code of Ethics. Reference is made to Exhibit 2.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 of Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Series 439 (File No. 333-113234) dated April 27, 2004.
- 3.1 Opinion and Consent of Counsel as to the legality of securities being registered.
- 3.3 Opinion of Counsel as to the Trustee and the Trust.
- 4.1 Consent of Initial Evaluator.
- 4.2 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
- 6.1 List of Officers and Directors of Van Kampen Funds Inc. Reference is made to Exhibit 6.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 of Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Series 744 (file No. 333-149060) dated March 18, 2008.
- 7.1 Powers of Attorney. Reference is also made to Exhibit 7.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 of Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Series 744 (File No. 333-149060) dated March 18, 2008, and to Exhibit 7.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 of Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Series 781 (File No. 333-151597) dated June 11, 2008.

UNDERTAKING TO FILE REPORTS

Subject to the terms and conditions of Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission such supplementary and periodic information, documents, and reports as may be prescribed by any rule or regulation of the Commission heretofore or hereafter duly adopted pursuant to authority conferred in that section.

VAN KAMPEN UNIT TRUSTS,
TAXABLE INCOME SERIES 154

TRUST AGREEMENT

Dated: January 26, 2009

This Trust Agreement among Van Kampen Funds Inc., as Depositor, The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee, Standard & Poor's Securities Evaluations, Inc., as Evaluator, and Van Kampen Asset Management, as Supervisor, sets forth certain provisions in full and incorporates other provisions by reference to the document entitled "Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust For Van Kampen Focus Portfolios Insured Income Trust, Effective for Unit Investment Trusts Established On and After May 24, 2001 (Including Van Kampen Focus Portfolios Insured Income Trust, Series 80 and Subsequent Series)" (the "Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust") and such provisions as are set forth in full and such provisions as are incorporated by reference constitute a single instrument. All references herein to Articles and Sections are to Articles and Sections of the Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust.

WITNESSETH THAT:

In consideration of the premises and of the mutual agreements herein contained, the Depositor, Trustee, Evaluator and Supervisor agree as follows:

PART I

STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF TRUST

Subject to the provisions of Part II hereof, all the provisions contained in the Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust are herein incorporated by reference in their entirety and shall be deemed to be a part of this instrument as fully and to the same extent as though said provisions had been set forth in full in this instrument.

PART II

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF TRUST

The following special terms and conditions are hereby agreed to:

1. The Bonds listed in the Schedules hereto have been deposited in trust under this Trust Agreement.

2. The fractional undivided interest in and ownership of each Trust represented by each Unit thereof is a fractional amount, the numerator of which is one and the denominator of which is the amount set forth under "Summary of Essential Financial Information-General Information-Number of Units" in the Prospectus Part I for each Trust.

3. The aggregate number of Units described in Section 2.03(a) for each Trust is that number of Units set forth under "Summary of Essential Financial Information--General Information--Number Of Units" in the Prospectus Part I for each Trust.

4. The term "First Settlement Date" shall mean the date set forth in footnote 2 under "Summary of Essential Financial Information" in the Prospectus Part I for each Trust.

5. The term "Monthly Distribution Date" shall mean the "Distribution Dates" set forth under "Summary of Essential Financial Information--Estimated Distributions--Monthly Distributions" in the Prospectus Part I for each Trust.

6. The term "Monthly Record Date" shall mean the "Record Dates" set forth under "Summary of Essential Financial Information--Estimated Distributions--Monthly Distributions" in the Prospectus Part I for each Trust.

7. The term "Semi-Annual Distribution Date" shall mean the "Distribution Dates" set forth under "Summary of Essential Financial Information--Estimated Distributions--Semi-Annual Distributions" in the Prospectus Part I for each Trust.

8. The term "Semi-Annual Record Date" shall mean the "Record Dates" set forth under "Summary of Essential Financial Information--Estimated Distributions--Semi-Annual Distributions" in the Prospectus Part I for each Trust.

9. The term "Evaluator" shall mean Standard & Poor's Securities Evaluations, Inc. and its successors in interest, or any successor evaluator appointed as provided in the Standard Terms and Conditions of the Trust.

10. The term "Insured Trust" shall mean a Trust which is comprised entirely of Pre-Insured Bonds and/or Bonds as to which such Trust has obtained Portfolio Insurance.

11. The term "Supervisor" shall mean Van Kampen Asset Management and its successors in interest or any successor supervisor appointed as provided in the Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust.

12. The term "Trustee" shall mean The Bank of New York Mellon and its successors in interest or any successor trustee appointed as provided in the Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust.

13. The term "Uninsured Trust" shall mean any Trust other than an Insured Trust.

14. Section 2.06 shall not apply to any Uninsured Trust.

15. Section 3.05 is amended by adding the following subsection immediately after Section 3.05(f):

"(g) Notwithstanding any of the previous provisions, if a Trust has elected to be taxed as a regulated investment company under the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the Trustee is directed to make any distribution or take any action necessary in order to maintain the qualification of the Trust as a regulated investment company for federal income tax purposes or to provide funds to make any distribution for a taxable year in order to avoid imposition of any income or excise taxes on the Trust or on undistributed income in the Trust."

16. The following shall be added to Section 3.07 of the Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust immediately following Section 3.07(h):

"(i) if the Trust has elected to be taxed as a "regulated investment company" as defined in the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that such sale is necessary or advisable (a) to maintain the qualification of the Trust as a regulated investment company or (b) to provide funds to make any distribution for a taxable year in order to avoid imposition of any income or excise taxes on the Trust or on undistributed income in the Trust.

In the event a Security is sold pursuant to any provisions of this Section 3.07 as a direct result of serious adverse credit factors affecting the issuer of such Security and the Trust has elected to be taxed as a "regulated investment company" as defined in the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, then the Depositor may, but is not obligated, to direct the reinvestment of the proceeds of the sale of such Security in any other securities which meet the criteria necessary for inclusion in such Trust on the Initial Date of Deposit."

17. The words "long-term" in Section 3.14(a) (i) shall be deleted.

18. Neither Section 3.14(a) (iv) nor Section 3.14(c) shall apply to any Uninsured Trust.

19. The paragraph immediately following Section 3.14(e) of the Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust shall be replaced in its entirety with the following:

"Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 3.14, no substitution of Replacement Bonds will be made if such substitution will adversely affect the federal income tax status of the related Trust."

20. The Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust shall be amended to include the following section:

"Section 3.18. Regulated Investment Company Election. If the Prospectus for a Trust states that such Trust intends to elect to be treated and to qualify as a "regulated investment company" as defined in the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the Trustee is hereby directed to make such elections and take all actions, including any appropriate election to be taxed as a corporation, as shall be necessary to effect such qualification or to provide funds to make any distribution for a taxable year in order to avoid imposition of any income or excise tax on the Trust or on undistributed income in the Trust. The Trustee shall make such reviews of each Trust portfolio as shall be necessary to maintain qualification of a particular Trust as a regulated investment company and to avoid imposition of tax on a Trust or undistributed income in a Trust, and the Depositor and Supervisor shall be authorized to rely conclusively upon such reviews."

21. For purposes of Section 5.01(a), "Business Day" shall mean any day the New York Stock Exchange is open for business.

22. Section 6.02 is amended by adding the following to the end of the section:

"Notwithstanding anything to the foregoing, in connection with any redemption by a Unitholder of 1,000 or more Units or Units having an aggregate Redemption Price of \$1,000,000 or more, the Trustee may in its discretion, and shall when so instructed by the Depositor, satisfy such redemption through a distribution of such Unitholder's pro rata portion of each Bond then held by the Trust. Such tendering Unitholder will receive his pro rata number of Bonds comprising the portfolio of such Trust, cash from the Interest Account representing interest and cash from the Principal Account equal to any balance to be paid on such redemption, including accrued interest. Such pro rata share of each Bond and the related cash to which such tendering Unitholder is entitled is referred to herein as an "In Kind Distribution." An In Kind Distribution will be made by the Trustee through the distribution of each of the Bonds in book-entry form to the account of the Unitholder's bank or broker-dealer at Depository Trust Company. If funds in the Interest or Principal Account are insufficient to cover the required cash distribution to the tendering Unitholder, the Trustee may sell Bonds according to the criteria discussed herein."

23. The Trustee's annual compensation as set forth under Section 7.04, for each distribution plan shall be that amount set forth under the section entitled "Summary of Essential Financial Information--Expenses--Trustee's Fee" in the Prospectus Part I for each Trust. In addition, the last sentence of the first paragraph of Section 7.04 is hereby deleted.

24. Section 9.01 of the Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust shall be replaced in its entirety with the following:

"Section 9.01. Amendments. (a) This Indenture may be amended from time to time by the Depositor and Trustee or their respective successors, without the consent of any of the Unitholders, (i) to cure any ambiguity or to correct or supplement any provision contained herein which may be defective or inconsistent

with any other provision contained herein, (ii) to make such other provision in regard to matters or questions arising hereunder as shall not materially adversely affect the interests of the Unitholders or (iii) to make such amendments as may be necessary (a) for the Trust to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company for federal income tax purposes if the Trust has elected to be taxed as such under the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or (b) to prevent the Trust from being deemed an association taxable as a corporation for federal income tax purposes if the Trust has not elected to be taxed as a regulated investment company under the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. This Indenture may not be amended, however, without the consent of all Unitholders then outstanding, so as (1) to permit, except in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof, the acquisition hereunder of any Bonds other than those specified in the Schedules to the Trust Agreement or (2) to reduce the aforesaid percentage of Units the holders of which are required to consent to certain of such amendments. This Indenture may not be amended so as to reduce the interest in a Trust represented by Units (whether evidenced by Certificates or held in uncertificated form) without the consent of all affected Unitholders.

(b) Except for the amendments, changes or modifications as provided in Section 9.01(a) hereof, neither the parties hereto nor their respective successors shall consent to any other amendment, change or modification of this Indenture without the giving of notice and the obtaining of the approval or consent of Unitholders representing at least 75% of the Units then outstanding of the affected Trust. Nothing contained in this Section 9.01(b) shall permit, or be construed as permitting, a reduction of the aggregate percentage of Units the holders of which are required to consent to any amendment, change or modification of this Indenture without the consent of the Unitholders of all of the Units then outstanding of the affected Trust and in no event may any amendment be made which would (1) alter the rights to the Unitholders as against each other, (2) provide the Trustee with the power to engage in business or investment activities other than as specifically provided in this Indenture, (3) adversely affect the tax status of the Trust for federal income tax purposes or result in the Units being deemed to be sold or exchanged for federal income tax purposes or (4) unless the Trust has elected to be taxed as a regulated investment company for federal income tax purposes, result in a variation of the investment of Unitholders in the Trust.

(c) Unless the Depositor directs that other notice shall be provided, the Trustee shall include in the annual report provided pursuant to Section 3.06 notification of the substance of such amendment."

25. The first sentence of Section 9.02 of the Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust shall be replaced in its entirety with the following:

"Section 9.02. Termination. This Indenture and any Trust created hereby shall terminate upon the maturity, redemption, sale or other disposition as the case may be of the last Bond held in such Trust unless sooner terminated as hereinbefore specified and may be terminated at any time by the written consent of Unitholders representing 75% of the then outstanding Units of such Trust; provided, that in no event shall a Trust continue beyond the end of the calendar

year preceding the fiftieth anniversary of the execution of the related Trust Agreement except for an Investment Grade Trust, Insured Laddered Trust or Insured Income Trust (Intermediate) which in no event shall continue beyond the end of the calendar year preceding the twentieth anniversary of the execution of the related Trust Agreement (the respective "Mandatory Termination Date"); and provided further that in connection with any such liquidation it shall not be necessary for the Trustee to dispose of any Bond of such Trusts if retention of such Bond, until due, shall be deemed to be in the best interests of Unitholders, including, but not limited to, situations in which a Bond insured by the Portfolio Insurance, if any, are in default, situations in which a Bond insured by Portfolio Insurance reflects a deteriorated market price resulting from a fear of default and situations in which a Bond mature after the Mandatory Termination Date."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have caused this Trust Agreement to be executed; all as of the day, month and year first above written.

VAN KAMPEN FUNDS INC.

By /s/ JOHN F. TIERNEY

Executive Director

VAN KAMPEN ASSET MANAGEMENT

By /s/ JOHN F. TIERNEY

Executive Director

STANDARD & POOR'S SECURITIES EVALUATIONS, INC.

By /s/ FRANK A. CICCOTTO

Senior Vice President

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON

By /s/ Golda Daniel

Assistant Vice President

SCHEDULE A TO TRUST AGREEMENT

SECURITIES INITIALLY DEPOSITED

IN

VAN KAMPEN UNIT TRUSTS, TAXABLE INCOME SERIES 154

[Incorporated herein by this reference and made a part hereof is the "Portfolio" schedule as set forth in the Prospectus Part I for each Trust.]

[LETTERHEAD OF PAUL, HASTINGS, JANOFSKY & WALKER LLP]

January 26, 2009

Van Kampen Funds Inc.
522 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10036

Re: Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Taxable Income Series 154 (the "Trust")

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel for Van Kampen Funds Inc. as depositor and sponsor (the "Depositor") of the Trust in connection with the deposit of securities (the "Securities") therein pursuant to the Indenture referred to below, by which the Trust was created and under which the units of fractional undivided interest (collectively, the "Units") have been issued. Pursuant to the Indenture, the Depositor has transferred to the Trust certain bonds and contracts to purchase certain bonds together with irrevocable letters of credit to be held by the Trustee upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Indenture. (All bonds to be acquired by the Trust are collectively referred to as the "Bonds.")

In connection with our representation, we have examined the originals or certified copies of the following documents relating to the creation of the Trust, the deposit of the Securities and the issuance and sale of the Units: (a) the Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust For Van Kampen Focus Portfolios Insured Income Trust, Effective for Unit Investment Trusts Established On and After May 24, 2001 (Including Van Kampen Focus Portfolios, Insured Income Trust, Series 80 and Subsequent Series), and the Trust Agreement of even date herewith relating to the Trust (collectively, the "Indenture") among the Depositor, Van Kampen Asset Management, as supervisor, The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee (the "Trustee"), and Standard & Poor's Securities Evaluations, Inc., a subsidiary of the McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., as evaluator; (b) the Closing Memorandum relating to the deposit of the Securities in the Trust, which includes certification by an authorized officer of the Depositor with respect to certain factual matters contained therein ("Officer's Certification"); (c) the Notification of Registration on Form N-8A and the Registration Statements on Form N-8B-2, as amended, relating to the Trust, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act"); (d) the Registration Statement on Form S-6 (Registration No. 333-153567) filed with the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933 (the "1933 Act"), and all Amendments thereto (said Registration Statement, as

amended by said Amendment(s) being herein called the "Registration Statement"); (e) the proposed form of final prospectus (the "Prospectus") relating to the Units, which is expected to be filed with the Commission this day; (f) the Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws of the Depositor, as amended, each certified to by an authorized officer of the Depositor; and (g) certificates or telegrams of public officials as to matters set forth upon therein.

We have assumed the genuineness of all agreements, instruments and documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity to originals of all copies thereof submitted to us. We have also assumed the genuineness of all signatures and the legal capacity of all persons executing agreements, instruments and documents examined or relied upon by us.

Where matters are stated to be "to the best of our knowledge" or "known to us," our knowledge is limited to the actual knowledge of those attorneys in our office who have performed services for the Trust, their review of documents provided to us by the Depositor in connection with this engagement and inquiries of officers of the Depositor, the results of which are reflected in the Officer's Certification. We have not independently verified the accuracy of the matters set forth in the written statements or certificates upon which we have relied. We have not reviewed the financial statements, compilation of the Bonds held by the Trust, or other financial or statistical data contained in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, as to which we understand you have been furnished with the reports of the accountants appearing in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus. In addition, we have made no specific inquiry as to whether any stop order or investigatory proceedings have been commenced with respect to the Registration Statement or the Depositor nor have we reviewed court or governmental agency dockets.

Statements in this opinion as to the validity, binding effect and enforceability of agreements, instruments and documents are subject: (i) to limitations as to enforceability imposed by bankruptcy, reorganization, moratorium, insolvency and other laws of general application relating to or affecting the enforceability of creditors' rights, and (ii) to limitations under equitable principles governing the availability of equitable remedies.

We are not admitted to the practice of law in any jurisdiction but the State of New York and we do not hold ourselves out as experts in or express any opinion as to the laws of other states or jurisdictions except as to matters of federal law. No opinion is expressed as to the effect that the law of any other jurisdiction might have upon the subject matter of the opinions expressed herein under applicable conflicts of law principles, rules or regulations or otherwise. Based on and subject to the foregoing, we are of the opinion that:

- (1) The Indenture has been duly authorized and executed and delivered by an authorized officer of the Depositor and is a valid and binding obligation of the Depositor in accordance with its terms.
- (2) The execution and delivery of the Certificates evidencing the Units has been duly authorized by the Depositor and, when executed by the Depositor and the Trustee in accordance with the provisions of the

Certificates and the Indenture and issued for the consideration contemplated therein, the Units represented by such Certificates will constitute fractional undivided interests in the Trust, will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, and will conform in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the Prospectus. Upon payment of the consideration for the Units as provided in the Indenture and the Registration Statement, the Units will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable by the Trust.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the use of our name in the Registration Statement and in the related Prospectus. This opinion is intended solely for the benefit of the addressee in connection with the issuance of the Units of the Trust and may not be relied upon in any other manner or by any other person without our express written consent.

Very truly yours,

/s/ PAUL, HASTINGS, JANOFSKY & WALKER LLP

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January 26, 2009

The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee
Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Taxable Income Series 154
2 Hanson Place
12th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11217

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are acting as your counsel in connection with the execution and delivery by you of a certain trust agreement, dated as of today (the "Indenture"), among Van Kampen Funds Inc. (the "Depositor"), Van Kampen Asset Management, an affiliate of the Depositor, as supervisor for the Trusts (the "Supervisor"), Standard & Poor's Securities Evaluations, Inc. (the "Evaluator"), and you, as Trustee, establishing Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Taxable Income Series 154 (the "Fund"), consisting of Investment Grade Trust, Series 33 (the "Trust"), and the execution by you, as Trustee under the Indenture, of a certificate or certificates evidencing ownership of all of the units of fractional undivided interests (such certificate or certificates and such units being herein respectively called "Certificates" and "Units") in the Trust, as set forth in the prospectus, dated today, for filing as an amendment to the registration statement heretofore filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (respectively the "Prospectus" and the "Registration Statement"), relating to the Fund (File Number 333-153567). The Trust consists of the securities set forth in the Prospectus (including delivery statements relating to contracts for the purchase of certain securities not yet delivered and cash, cash equivalents, an irrevocable letter of credit, or a combination thereof, in the amount required to pay for such purchase upon the receipt of such securities) defined in the Indenture as "Securities" and listed in Schedule A to the Indenture (such securities, delivery statements and cash, cash equivalents or letter of credit being herein called the "Underlying Securities").

We have examined the Indenture, specimen Certificates and originals (or

copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction) of such other instruments, certificates and documents, as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for the purpose of rendering this opinion letter. In such examination, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity to the original documents of all documents submitted to us as copies. As to any facts material to this opinion letter, we have, when relevant facts were not independently established, relied upon the aforesaid instruments, certificates and documents.

Based on the foregoing, we are of the opinion that:

1. The Bank of New York Mellon is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York with the powers of a trust company under the Banking Law of the State of New York.
2. The execution of the Indenture is within the authorization of the executing officers of The Bank of New York Mellon.
3. The Indenture is in proper form for execution and delivery by you as Trustee.
4. The Certificates are in proper form for execution and delivery by you as Trustee.
5. Upon receipt by you of the Underlying Securities you may properly execute Certificates or statements evidencing ownership of the Units, registered in the name of the Depositor, and upon receipt of advice of the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, you may deliver such Certificates or issue statements to or upon the order of the Depositor as provided in the Closing Memorandum being executed and delivered today by the parties to the Indenture.
6. You as Trustee may lawfully, under the Banking Law of the State of New York, advance to the Trust such amounts as may be necessary to provide periodic distributions or payment of expenses for the Trust, and be reimbursed without interest for any such advances from funds in the income or capital account for the Trust on the ensuing record date or as otherwise provided in the Indenture.

In rendering the foregoing opinions we have not considered, among other things, whether the Underlying Securities have been duly authorized and delivered and are fully paid for and non-assessable.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the use of our name and the reference to our firm in the Registration Statement and in the Prospectus.

Very truly yours,

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January 26, 2009

Van Kampen Funds Inc.
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The Bank of New York Mellon
Unit Investment Trust Dept.
2 Hanson Place, 12th Floor
Brooklyn, New York 11217

Re: Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Taxable Income Series 154
Investment Grade Trust, Series 33

Gentlemen:

We have examined Registration Statement File No. 333-153567 for the above mentioned trust. We hereby acknowledge that Standard & Poor's Securities Evaluations, Inc. is currently acting as the evaluator for the trust. We hereby consent to the use in the Registration Statement of the references to Standard & Poor's Securities Evaluations, Inc., as evaluator.

In addition, we hereby confirm that the ratings indicated in the Registration Statement for the respective bonds comprising the trust portfolio are the ratings indicated in our KENNYBASE database as of the date of the evaluation report.

You are hereby authorized to file a copy of this letter with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Sincerely,

/s/ Frank A. Ciccotto

Frank A. Ciccotto
Vice President

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We have issued our report dated January 26, 2009, with respect to the statement of condition including the related portfolio of Investment Grade Trust, Series 33 (included in Van Kampen Unit Trusts, Taxable Income Series 154) as of January 26, 2009, contained in Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 (File No. 333-153567) and Prospectus. We consent to the use of the aforementioned report in this Registration Statement and Prospectus and to the use of our name as it appears under the caption "Other Matters-Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm".

GRANT THORNTON LLP

New York, New York
January 26, 2009