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REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 /X/

PRE-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO.

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 8 /X/

AND/OR

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940 /X/

AMENDMENT NO. 10 /X/

(Check appropriate box or boxes)

PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

GATEWAY CENTER THREE

100 MULBERRY STREET, 4TH FLOOR
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY 07102-4077
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE: (201) 367-7530

S. JANE ROSE, ESQ. 100 MULBERRY STREET, 4TH FLOOR NEWARK, NEW JERSEY 07102-4077 (Name and Address of Agent for Service)

Approximate date of proposed public offering:
As soon as practicable after the effective
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PROPOSED MAXIMUM PROPOSED MAXIMUM

TITLE OF SECURITIES AMOUNT BEING OFFERING PRICE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF
BEING REGISTERED PER UNIT OFFERING PRICE* REGISTRATION FEE

value \$.001 per share....

1,913,759 \$15.41

\$329,989.74

\$100

* The calculation of the maximum aggregate offering price was made pursuant to Rule 24e-2 and was based upon an offering price of \$15.41 per share, equal to the net asset value per share as of the close of business on December 18, 1996 pursuant to Rule 457(d). The total number of shares redeemed during the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996 amounted to 146,194,031 shares. Of this number, no shares have been used for reduction pursuant to paragraph (a) of Rule 24e-2 in all previous filings of post-effective amendments during the current year, and 144,301,686 shares have been used for reduction pursuant to paragraph (c) of Rule 24f-2 in all previous filings during the current year. 1,892,345 (\$28,043,013) of the redeemed shares for the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996 are being used for the reductions in the post-effective amendment being filed herein.

Pursuant to Rule 24f-2 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, Registrant has previously registered an indefinite number of shares of its Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share. The Registrant filed a notice under such Rule for its fiscal year ended October 31, 1996 on or about December 26, 1996.

CROSS REFERENCE SHEET (AS REQUIRED BY RULE 495)

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PROSPECTUS DATED DECEMBER 30, 1996

Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc. (the Fund) is an open-end, diversified management investment company whose investment objective is long-term growth of capital. The Fund seeks to achieve this objective by investing primarily in common stocks, common stock equivalents (such as convertible debt securities and warrants) and other securities of companies doing business in or domiciled in the Pacific Basin region. Under normal circumstances, the Fund intends to invest at least 65% of its total assets in such securities. The Fund may invest in equity securities of other companies and in convertible and non-convertible debt securities. The Fund also may engage in various derivative transactions, such as those involving options on stocks, stock indices, foreign currencies and futures contracts on foreign currencies and groups of currencies and on financial or stock indices so as to hedge its portfolio and to attempt to enhance return. See "How the Fund Invests--Investment Objective and Policies." There can be no assurance that the Fund's investment objective will be achieved. The Fund's address is Gateway Center Three, 100 Mulberry Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102-4077, and its telephone number is (800) 225-1852.

The Fund is not intended to constitute a complete investment program. Because of its objective and policies, including its Pacific Basin orientation, the Fund is subject to greater investment risks than certain other mutual funds. See "How the Fund Invests--Risks and Special Considerations of Investing in Foreign Securities" and "How the Fund Invests-- Other Investments and Policies--Portfolio Turnover."

This Prospectus sets forth concisely the information about the Fund that a prospective investor should know before investing. Additional information about the Fund has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in a Statement of Additional Information, dated December 30, 1996, which information is incorporated herein by reference (is legally considered a part of this Prospectus) and is available without charge upon request to the Fund at the address or telephone number noted above.

INVESTORS ARE ADVISED TO READ THIS PROSPECTUS AND RETAIN IT FOR FUTURE

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

FUND HIGHLIGHTS

The following summary is intended to highlight certain information contained in this Prospectus and is qualified in its entirety by the more detailed information appearing elsewhere herein.

WHAT IS PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC.?

Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc. is a mutual fund. A mutual fund pools the resources of investors by selling its shares to the public and investing the proceeds of such sale in a portfolio of securities designed to achieve its investment objective. Technically, the Fund is an open-end, diversified management investment company.

WHAT IS THE FUND'S INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE?

The Fund's investment objective is long-term growth of capital. It seeks

to achieve this objective by investing primarily in common stocks, common stock equivalents and other securities of companies doing business in or domiciled in the Pacific Basin region. There can be no assurance that the Fund's objective will be achieved. See "How the Fund Invests--Investment Objective and Policies" at page 8.

RISK FACTORS AND SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Under normal circumstances, the Fund anticipates that at least 65% of its total assets will consist of Pacific Basin region corporate securities, primarily common stock and other securities convertible into common stock. See "How the Fund Invests--Investment Objective and Policies" at page 8. Investing in securities of foreign companies and countries involves certain risks and considerations not typically associated with investments in U.S. Government Securities and those of domestic companies. See "How the Fund Invests--Risks and Special Considerations of Investing in Foreign Securities" at page 9. The Fund is permitted to invest up to 25% of its net assets in lower quality foreign convertible debt securities provided that such securities have a minimum rating of at least B as determined by a nationally recognized securities rating organization (NRSRO), such as Standard & Poor's Ratings Group or another NRSRO or, if unrated, are of equivalent quality. Lower rated securities are subject to a greater risk of loss of principal and interest. See "How the Fund Invests--Risk Factors Relating to Investing in Foreign Debt Securities Rated Below Investment Grade" at page 11. The Fund may also engage in various hedging and return enhancement strategies, including investing in derivatives. See "How the Fund Invests--Hedging and Return Enhancement Strategies--Risks of Hedging and Return Enhancement Strategies" at page 14.

WHO MANAGES THE FUND?

Prudential Mutual Fund Management LLC (PMF or the Manager), is the Manager of the Fund and is compensated for its services at an annual rate of .75 of 1% of the Fund's average daily net assets. As of November 30, 1996, PMF served as manager or administrator to 62 investment companies, including 40 mutual funds, with aggregate assets of approximately \$53.4 billion. The Prudential Investment Corporation (PIC, the Subadviser or the investment adviser) furnishes investment advisory services in connection with the management of the Fund under a Subadvisory Agreement with PMF. See "How the Fund is Managed--Manager" at page 16.

WHO DISTRIBUTES THE FUND'S SHARES?

Prudential Securities Incorporated (Prudential Securities or PSI), a major securities underwriter and securities and commodities broker, acts as the Distributor of the Fund's Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z shares and is paid an annual distribution and service fee which is currently being charged at the annual rate of .25 of 1% of the average daily net assets of the Class A shares, and at the annual rate of 1% of the average daily net assets of each of the Class B and Class C shares. Prudential Securities incurs the expenses of distributing the Class Z shares under a Distribution Agreement with the Fund, none of which is reimbursed by or paid for by the Fund. See "How the Fund is Managed-- Distributor" at page 17.

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WHAT IS THE MINIMUM INVESTMENT?

The minimum initial investment for Class A and Class B shares is \$1,000 per class and \$5,000 for Class C shares. There is no minimum initial investment requirement for investors who qualify to purchase Class Z shares. The minimum subsequent investment is \$100 for all classes, except for Class Z shares for which there is no such minimum. There is no minimum investment requirement for certain retirement and employee savings plans or custodial accounts for the benefit of minors. For purchases made through the Automatic Savings Accumulation Plan, the minimum initial and subsequent investment is \$50. See "Shareholder Guide--How to Buy Shares of the Fund" at page 23 and "Shareholder Guide--Shareholder Services" at page 33.

HOW DO I PURCHASE SHARES?

You may purchase shares of the Fund through Prudential Securities, Pruco Securities Corporation (Prusec) or directly from the Fund, through its transfer agent, Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc. (PMFS or the Transfer Agent), at the net asset value per share (NAV) next determined after receipt

of your purchase order by the Transfer Agent or Prudential Securities plus a sales charge which may be imposed either (i) at the time of purchase (Class A shares) or (ii) on a deferred basis (Class B or Class C shares). Class Z shares are offered to a limited group of investors at net asset value without any sales charge. See "How the Fund Values Its Shares" at page 19 and "Shareholder Guide--How to Buy Shares of the Fund" at page 23.

WHAT ARE MY PURCHASE ALTERNATIVES?

The Fund offers four classes of shares:

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- Class A Shares: Sold with an initial sales charge of up to 5% of the offering

price

- Class B Shares: Sold without an initial sales charge but are subject to a

contingent deferred sales charge or CDSC (declining from 5% to zero of the lower of the amount invested or the redemption proceeds) which will be imposed on certain redemptions made within six years of purchase. Although Class B shares are subject to higher ongoing distribution-related expenses than Class A shares, Class B shares will automatically convert to Class A shares (which are subject to lower ongoing

distribution-related expenses) approximately seven years

after purchase.

- Class C Shares: Sold without an initial sales charge and for one year after

purchase, are subject to a 1% CDSC on redemptions. Like Class B shares, Class C shares are subject to higher ongoing distribution-related expenses than Class A shares but do not

convert to another class.

- Class Z Shares: Sold without either an initial or contingent deferred sales charge to a limited group of investors. Class Z shares are

charge to a limited group of investors. Class 2 shares are not subject to any ongoing service or distribution-related

expenses.

See "Shareholder Guide--Alternative Purchase Plan" at page

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HOW DO I SELL MY SHARES?

You may redeem your shares at any time at the NAV next determined after Prudential Securities or the Transfer Agent receives your sell order. However, the proceeds of redemptions of Class B and Class C shares may be subject to a CDSC. See "Shareholder Guide--How to Sell Your Shares" at page 28.

HOW ARE DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS PAID?

The Fund expects to pay dividends of net investment income, if any, and make distributions of any net capital gains at least annually. Dividends and distributions will be automatically reinvested in additional shares of the Fund at NAV without a sales charge unless you request that they be paid to you in cash. See "Taxes, Dividends and Distributions" at page 21.

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FUND EXPENSES

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SHAREHOLDER TRANSACTION EXPENSES+	CLASS A SHARES	CLASS B SHARES	CLASS C SHARES	CLASS Z SHARES
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Maximum Sales Load Imposed on				
Purchases (as a percentage of offering price)	5%	None	None	None
Maximum Sales Load or Deferred Sales				
Load Imposed on Reinvested Dividends	None	None	None	None
Deferred Sales Load (as a percentage of original purchase price or	MOHE	Notice	Notice	Notife

redemption proceeds, whichever is				
lower)	None	5% during the first year, decreasing by 1% annually to 1% in the fifth and the sixth years and 0% the seventh year*	1% on redemptions made within one year of purchase	None
Redemption Fees	None	None	None	None
Exchange Fees				

 None | None | None | None || | | | | |
ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES				
(as a percentage of average net assets)	CLASS A		SS B SHARES	CLASS C SHARES
Management Fees		.75%	.75%	.75%
12b-1 Fees (after reduction)		.25%++	1.00%	1.00%
Other Expenses		.37%	.37%	.37%
Total Fund Operating Expenses		1.37%	2.12%	2.12%
ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES				
(as a percentage of average net assets)		SS Z SHARES**		
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Management Fees		.75%		
12b-1 Fees (after reduction)		None		
Other Expenses		.37%		
Total Fund Operating Expenses		1.12%		
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<caption> EXAMPLE</caption>	1 Y	EAR	3 Y	EARS	5	YEARS	10	YEARS
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You would pay the following expenses on a \$1,000 investment, assuming (1) 5% annual return and (2) redemption at the end of each time period:								
Class A	\$	63	\$	91	\$	121	\$	206
Class B	\$	72	\$	96	\$	124	\$	217
Class C	\$	32	\$	66	\$	114	\$	245
Class Z**	\$	11	\$	36	\$	62	\$	136
You would pay the following expenses on the same investment, assuming no redemption:								
Class A	\$	63	\$	91	\$	121	\$	206
Class B	\$	22	\$	66	\$	114	\$	217
Class C	\$	22	\$	66	\$	114	\$	245
Class Z**<	\$	11	\$	36	\$	62	\$	136

The above example is based on data for the Fund's fiscal year ended October 31, 1996. THE EXAMPLE SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED A REPRESENTATION OF PAST OR FUTURE EXPENSES. ACTUAL EXPENSES MAY BE GREATER OR LESS THAN THOSE SHOWN.

The purpose of this table is to assist an investor in understanding the various types of costs and expenses that an investor in the Fund will bear, whether directly or indirectly. For more complete descriptions of the various costs and expenses, see "How the Fund is Managed." "Other Expenses" include operating expenses of the Fund, such as Directors' and professional fees, registration fees, reports to shareholders, transfer agency and custodian (domestic and foreign) fees (but excludes foreign withholding taxes).

^{*} Class B shares will automatically convert to Class A shares approximately seven years after purchase. See "Shareholder Guide--Conversion Feature--Class B Shares."

^{**} Estimated based on expenses expected to have been incurred if Class ${\bf Z}$ shares had been in existence throughout the entire fiscal year ended $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right$ October 31, 1996.

- + Pursuant to rules of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., the aggregate initial sales charges, deferred sales charges and asset-based sales charges on shares of the Fund may not exceed 6.25% of total gross sales, subject to certain exclusions. This 6.25% limitation is imposed on the Fund rather than on a per shareholder basis. Therefore, long-term shareholders of the Fund may pay more in total sales charges than the economic equivalent of 6.25% of such shareholders' investment in such shares. See "How the Fund is Managed--Distributor."
- ++ Although the Class A Distribution and Service Plan provides that the Fund may pay up to an annual rate of .30 of 1% of average daily net assets of the Class A shares, the Distributor has agreed to limit its distribution fee with respect to Class A shares of the Fund to .25 of 1% of the average daily net asset value of the Class A shares for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1997. Total operating expenses without such limitation would be 1.42%. See "How the Fund is Managed--Distributor."

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (FOR A SHARE OUTSTANDING THROUGHOUT EACH OF THE INDICATED PERIODS) (CLASS A SHARES)

The following financial highlights have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, independent accountants, whose report thereon was unqualified. This information should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto, which appear in the Statement of Additional Information. The financial highlights contain selected data for a Class A share of common stock outstanding, total return, ratios to average net assets and other supplemental data for the periods indicated. The information is based on data contained in the financial statements. Further performance information is contained in the annual report, which may be obtained without charge. See "Shareholder Guide--Shareholder Services--Reports to Shareholders."

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JULY 24, 1992(A) YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31. _____ THROUGH 1996(D) 1995(D) 1994(D) 1993(D) OCTOBER 31, 1992 ______ PER SHARE OPERATING PERFORMANCE: Net asset value, beginning of period....... \$ 15.75 \$ 16.90 \$ 16.10 \$ 10.65 \$ 10.00 _____ INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS: .07 .04 (.08) (.01) (.02) Net investment income (loss)..... Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investment and foreign currency transactions..... .23 (1.09) 1.15 5.48 .67 .30 (1.05) 1.07 5.47 Total from investment operations..... . 65 LESS DISTRIBUTIONS: -- (.06) (.02) (.10) (.21) --Distributions in excess of net investment income...... (.19)Distributions from net realized gains..... --Total distributions..... (.19)(.10) (.27) (.02) -----_____ \$ 15.86 \$ 15.75 \$ 16.90 \$ 16.10 ------Net asset value, end of period..... _____ -----TOTAL RETURN(C)..... 1.97% (6.23)% 6.67% 51.39% 6.50% RATIOS/SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:

 Net assets, end of period (000)
 \$ 113,585
 \$ 98,998
 \$ 98,921
 \$ 64,353

 Average net assets (000)
 \$ 106,148
 \$ 101,920
 \$ 92,233
 \$ 26,264

 \$ 13,918 \$ 12,884 Ratios to average net assets: 1.37% 1.12% .44% 1.46% 1.21% .26% 1.57% 1.63% 1.33% 1.43% (.50)% (.04)% Expenses, including distribution fees..... 2.72%(b) 2.52% (b) Expenses, excluding distribution fees......

Net investment income (loss)..... Expenses, excluding distribution fees..... (.04)% (.75)%(b) 54% N/A 56% N/A 44% 0% N/A N/A </TABLE>

CLASS A

- (a) Commencement of investment operations.
- (b) Annualized.
- (c) Total return does not consider the effects of sale loads. Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of shares on the first day and a sale on the last day of each period reported and includes reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Total returns for periods of less than a full year are not annualized.
- (d) Calculated based upon weighted average shares outstanding during the period.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(FOR A SHARE OUTSTANDING THROUGHOUT EACH OF THE INDICATED PERIODS)
(CLASS B SHARES)

The following financial highlights have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, independent accountants, whose report thereon was unqualified. This information should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto, which appear in the Statement of Additional Information. The financial highlights contain selected data for a Class B share of common stock outstanding, respectively, total return, ratios to average net assets and other supplemental data for the periods indicated. The information is based on data contained in the financial statements. Further performance information is contained in the annual report, which may be obtained without charge. See "Shareholder Guide--Shareholder Services--Reports to Shareholders."

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CLASS B

	YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31,						JULY 24, 1992(A)				
	1996(D)		1995(D)		1994(D)		1993(D)		THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 1		R 31, 1992
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PER SHARE OPERATING PERFORMANCE: Net asset value, beginning of period				16.62							10.00
INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS: Net investment loss Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investment											(.04)
and foreign currency transactions		.25		(1.06)							.67
Total from investment operations						.92		5.33			.63
LESS DISTRIBUTIONS: Distributions in excess of net investment income Distributions from net realized gains		(.19)				(.03) (.21)		(.02)			
Total distributions		(.19)		(.10)		(.24)		(.02)			
Net asset value, end of period	\$	15.40	\$	15.38	\$	16.62	\$	15.94		\$	10.63
TOTAL RETURN(C)				(6.82)					18		6.30%
Net assets, end of period (000)	\$ \$	327,315 357,548	\$	344,313 368,771	\$	459,949 404,506	\$	250,997 74,590		\$	20,050 16,025
Ratios to average net assets: Expenses, including distribution fees Expenses, excluding distribution fees		1.12%				1.33%		1.37%	5		2.52%(b)
Net investment loss Portfolio turnover rate		91%		54%		56%	ĺ	44%	,		
Average commission rate paid per share	\$.0209		N/A		N/A		N/A			N/A

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⁽a) Commencement of investment operations.

⁽b) Annualized.

⁽c) Total return does not consider the effects of sale loads. Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of shares on the first day and a sale on the last day of each period reported and includes reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Total returns for periods of less than

(d) Calculated based upon weighted average shares outstanding during the period.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (FOR A SHARE OUTSTANDING THROUGHOUT EACH OF THE INDICATED PERIODS) (CLASS C AND CLASS Z SHARES)

The following financial highlights have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, independent accountants, whose report thereon was unqualified. This information should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto, which appear in the Statement of Additional Information. The financial highlights contain selected data for a Class C and Class Z share of common stock, respectively, outstanding total return, ratios to average net assets and other supplemental data for the periods indicated. The information is based on data contained in the financial statements. Further performance information is contained in the annual report, which may be obtained without charge. See "Shareholder Guide--Shareholder Services--Reports to Shareholders."

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	OCTOBE		YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31,			1, 1994(A) HROUGH	MARCH	 1, 1996(C) HROUGH
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PER SHARE OPERATING PERFORMANCE:								
Net asset value, beginning of period	Ş	15.38	\$	16.62	\$	16.68	\$	16.57
INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:								
Net investment income (loss)		(.04)		(.08)		(.06)		.11
and foreign currency transactions		.25		(1.06)				(.79)
Total from investment operations		21		(1.14)		(.06)		(.68)
Total from investment operations		.21		(/		(.00)		(.00)
LESS DISTRIBUTIONS:								
Distributions in excess of net investment income		(.19)						
Distributions from net realized gains				(.10)				
Total distributions		(.19)		(.10)				
Net asset value, end of period		15.40	\$	15.38	\$	16.62	\$	15.89
TOTAL RETURN(D)RATIOS/SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:		1.36%		(6.82)%		(.36)%		(4.09)%
Net assets, end of period (000)	\$	12,360	\$	2,443	\$	718	\$	37,288
Average net assets (000)	\$	6,402	\$	1,624	\$	458	\$	33,868
Ratios to average net assets:								
Expenses, including distribution fees		2.12%				3.00%(b)		1.12%(b)
Expenses, excluding distribution fees		1.12%				2.00%(b)		1.12%(b)
Net investment income (loss)		(.25)%		(.43)%		(1.64)%(b)		.68% (b)
Portfolio turnover rate		91%		54%		56%		91%
Average commission rate paid per share	\$.0209		N/A		N/A	\$.0209

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⁽a) Commencement of offering of Class C shares.

⁽b) Annualized.

⁽c) Commencement of offering of Class Z shares.

⁽d) Total return does not consider the effects of sale loads. Total return is

calculated assuming a purchase of shares on the first day and a sale on the last day of each period reported and includes reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Total returns for periods of less than a full year are not annualized.

(e) Calculated based upon weighted average shares outstanding during the period.

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HOW THE FUND INVESTS

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICIES

THE FUND'S INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE IS LONG-TERM GROWTH OF CAPITAL. THE FUND SEEKS TO ACHIEVE THIS OBJECTIVE BY INVESTING PRIMARILY IN EQUITY SECURITIES OF CORPORATIONS DOING BUSINESS IN OR DOMICILED IN THE PACIFIC BASIN REGION, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, JAPAN, AUSTRALIA, HONG KONG, SINGAPORE, SOUTH KOREA, MALAYSIA, THAILAND, INDONESIA, THE PHILIPPINES AND NEW ZEALAND. CURRENT INCOME FROM DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST WILL NOT BE AN IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION IN SELECTING PORTFOLIO SECURITIES. THE FUND ANTICIPATES THAT UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS AT LEAST 65% OF ITS TOTAL ASSETS WILL CONSIST OF PACIFIC BASIN REGION CORPORATE SECURITIES, PRIMARILY COMMON STOCKS AND OTHER SECURITIES CONVERTIBLE INTO COMMON STOCK. THERE IS NO LIMIT ON THE PERCENTAGE OF FUND ASSETS THAT MAY BE INVESTED IN ANY SINGLE COUNTRY. THE FUND RESERVES THE RIGHT AS A DEFENSIVE MEASURE TO HOLD OTHER TYPES OF SECURITIES WITHOUT LIMIT, INCLUDING COMMERCIAL PAPER OF CORPORATIONS, BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES, CONVERTIBLE AND NON-CONVERTIBLE DEBT SECURITIES OR GOVERNMENT AND HIGH QUALITY MONEY MARKET SECURITIES OF UNITED STATES AND NON-UNITED STATES ISSUERS, OR CASH (FOREIGN CURRENCIES OR UNITED STATES DOLLARS), IN SUCH PROPORTIONS AS, IN THE OPINION OF THE FUND'S INVESTMENT ADVISER, PREVAILING MARKET, ECONOMIC OR POLITICAL CONDITIONS WARRANT. A PORTION OF THE PORTFOLIO NORMALLY WILL BE HELD IN DOLLARS OR SHORT-TERM INTEREST-BEARING DOLLAR-DENOMINATED SECURITIES TO PROVIDE FOR POSSIBLE REDEMPTIONS. THERE CAN BE NO ASSURANCE THAT THE FUND'S OBJECTIVE WILL BE ACHIEVED. See "Investment Objective and Policies" in the Statement of Additional Information.

THE FUND'S INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE IS A FUNDAMENTAL POLICY AND, THEREFORE, MAY NOT BE CHANGED WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE HOLDERS OF A MAJORITY OF THE FUND'S OUTSTANDING VOTING SECURITIES, AS DEFINED IN THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED (THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT). FUND POLICIES THAT ARE NOT FUNDAMENTAL MAY BE MODIFIED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES, THE FUND MAY INVEST UP TO 35% OF ITS TOTAL ASSETS IN THE SECURITIES OF ISSUERS DOMICILED OUTSIDE OF THE PACIFIC BASIN REGION. For example, the Fund may invest in a company outside of the Pacific Basin region when the Fund's investment adviser believes at the time of investment that the value of the company's securities may be enhanced by conditions or developments in the Pacific Basin region even though the company's production facilities are located outside of the Pacific Basin region.

THE FUND MAY INVEST IN SECURITIES NOT LISTED ON SECURITIES EXCHANGES. THESE SECURITIES WILL GENERALLY HAVE AN ESTABLISHED MARKET (SUCH AS THE OVER-THE-COUNTER MARKET), THE DEPTH AND LIQUIDITY OF WHICH MAY VARY FROM TIME TO TIME AND FROM SECURITY TO SECURITY. THE FUND MAY INVEST UP TO 10% OF ITS NET ASSETS (DETERMINED AT THE TIME OF INVESTMENT) IN SECURITIES FOR WHICH MARKET QUOTATIONS ARE NOT READILY AVAILABLE AND IN REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS WHICH HAVE A MATURITY LONGER THAN SEVEN DAYS. THE FUND MAY FROM TIME TO TIME LEND ITS PORTFOLIO SECURITIES TO BROKERS OR DEALERS, BANKS OR OTHER RECOGNIZED INSTITUTIONAL BORROWERS OF SECURITIES AND MAY INVEST TO A LIMITED EXTENT IN SECURITIES OF COMPANIES THAT HAVE BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR LESS THAN THREE YEARS AND IN SECURITIES OF OTHER REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANIES. See "Investment Restrictions" in the Statement of Additional Information.

In addition to analyzing the companies in which investments are made, the investment adviser also considers such factors as prospects for economic growth for each foreign country; expected levels of inflation and interest rates; government policies influencing business conditions; the range of individual investment opportunities available to international investors; and other pertinent financial, tax, social, political and national factors—all in relation to the prevailing prices of securities in each country.

IN ADDITION TO PURCHASING EQUITY SECURITIES OF PACIFIC BASIN REGION ISSUERS, THE FUND MAY INVEST IN AMERICAN DEPOSITARY RECEIPTS (ADRS), EUROPEAN DEPOSITARY RECEIPTS (EDRS) OR OTHER SECURITIES CONVERTIBLE INTO SECURITIES OF

CORPORATIONS DOING BUSINESS IN OR DOMICILED IN PACIFIC BASIN REGION COUNTRIES. These securities may not necessarily be denominated in the same currency as the securities into which they may be converted. Generally, ADRs, in registered form, are designed for use in the United States securities markets and EDRs, in bearer form, are designed for use in European securities markets.

IN ADDITION TO THE PACIFIC BASIN REGION COUNTRIES LISTED ABOVE, THE FUND MAY INVEST DIRECTLY IN TAIWAN, INDIA, PAKISTAN, VIETNAM AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA. IF AND WHEN THEIR RESPECTIVE STOCK MARKETS BECOME OPEN TO DIRECT FOREIGN INVESTMENT AND SUBJECT TO LOCAL RESTRICTIONS. COMPANIES LOCATED IN THOSE COUNTRIES IN WHICH THE FUND MIGHT INVEST MAY HAVE LIMITED PRODUCT LINES, MARKETS OR FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND MAY LACK MANAGEMENT DEPTH. THE SECURITIES OF THESE COMPANIES MAY HAVE LIMITED MARKETABILITY AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO MORE ABRUPT OR ERRATIC MARKET MOVEMENTS THAN SECURITIES OF LARGER, MORE ESTABLISHED COMPANIES OR THE MARKET AVERAGES IN GENERAL. Due to restrictions on direct investment in equity securities in those countries, the Fund may currently invest in such markets only through a limited number of approved vehicles. At present, this includes investments through listed and unlisted funds. Investment in such funds is subject to limitations under the Investment Company Act, and market availability and may involve the payment of substantial premiums above the value of such funds' portfolio securities. The yield of such securities will be reduced by operating expenses of such funds. To the extent to which such vehicles would be treated as "passive foreign investment companies" under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Internal Revenue Code), the Fund may further limit its investments in order to avoid adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences.

AS INDICATED ABOVE, WHEN CONDITIONS DICTATE A DEFENSIVE STRATEGY, THE FUND MAY INVEST, WITHOUT LIMIT, IN HIGH QUALITY MONEY MARKET INSTRUMENTS OF UNITED STATES AND NON-UNITED STATES ISSUERS (INCLUDING, WITH RESPECT TO UNITED STATES ISSUERS, REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS MATURING IN SEVEN DAYS OR LESS). The Fund will only invest in money market instruments that have short-term ratings in at least the second highest category by at least one Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization (NRSRO) or are issued by companies that have outstanding debt securities rated BBB or higher, or its equivalent by an NRSRO or in unrated securities of issuers that the Fund's investment adviser has determined to be of comparable quality. Subsequent to its purchase by the Fund, a security may be assigned a lower rating or cease to be rated. Such an event would not require the elimination of the issue from the portfolio, but the investment adviser will consider such an event in determining whether the Fund should continue to hold the security in its portfolio. Securities rated Baa by Moody's Investors Services, Inc. (Moody's) or BBB by Standard & Poor's Ratings Group (S&P), for example, although considered to be investment grade, lack outstanding investment characteristics and, in fact, have speculative characteristics. See "Description of Security Ratings" in the Statement of Additional Information.

RISKS AND SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS OF INVESTING IN FOREIGN SECURITIES

FOREIGN SECURITIES INVOLVE CERTAIN RISKS, WHICH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED CAREFULLY BY AN INVESTOR IN THE FUND. THESE RISKS INCLUDE POLITICAL OR ECONOMIC INSTABILITY IN THE COUNTRY OF THE ISSUER, THE DIFFICULTY OF PREDICTING INTERNATIONAL TRADE PATTERNS, THE POSSIBILITY OF IMPOSITION OF EXCHANGE CONTROLS AND THE RISK OF CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS. Such securities may be subject to greater fluctuations in price than securities issued by U.S. corporations or issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, its instrumentalities or agencies. In addition, there may be less publicly available information about a foreign company than about a domestic company. Foreign companies generally are not subject to uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards comparable to those applicable to domestic companies. There is generally less government regulation of securities exchanges, brokers and listed companies abroad than in the United States and there is a possibility of expropriation, confiscatory taxation or diplomatic developments which could affect investment.

ALTHOUGH THE FUND INTENDS TO INVEST PRIMARILY IN EQUITY SECURITIES, IT MAY INVEST FROM TIME TO TIME IN DEBT SECURITIES OF FOREIGN ISSUERS. In many instances, foreign debt securities may provide higher yields than securities of domestic issuers which have similar maturities and quality. These investments, however, may be less liquid than the securities of U.S. corporations. In the event of default of any such foreign debt obligations, it may be more difficult for the Fund to obtain or enforce a judgment against the issuers of such securities.

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ADDITIONAL COSTS COULD BE INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE FUND'S INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES. Foreign brokerage commissions are generally higher than in the United States. Increased custodian costs as well as administrative difficulties (such as the applicability of foreign laws to foreign custodians in

various circumstances) may be associated with the maintenance of assets in foreign jurisdictions.

If the security is denominated in a foreign currency, it will be affected by changes in currency exchange rates and in exchange control regulations, and costs will be incurred in connection with conversions between currencies. A change in the value of any such currency against the U.S. dollar will result in a corresponding change in the U.S. dollar value of the Fund's securities denominated in that currency. Such changes also will affect the Fund's income and distributions to shareholders. In addition, although the Fund will receive income in such currencies, the Fund will be required to compute and distribute its income in U.S. dollars. Therefore, if the exchange rate for any such currency declines after the Fund's income has been accrued and translated into U.S. dollars, the Fund could be required to liquidate portfolio securities to make such distributions, particularly in instances in which the amount of income the Fund is required to distribute is not immediately reduced by the decline in such currency. Similarly, if an exchange rate declines between the time the Fund incurs expenses in U.S. dollars and the time such expenses are paid, the amount of such currency required to be converted into U.S. dollars in order to pay such expenses in U.S. dollars will be greater than the equivalent amount in any such currency of such expenses at the time they were incurred. The Fund may, but need not, enter into futures contracts on foreign currencies, forward foreign currency exchange contracts and options on foreign currencies for hedging purposes, including: locking-in the U.S. dollar price of the purchase or sale of securities denominated in a foreign currency; locking-in the U.S. dollar equivalent of interest or dividends to be paid on such securities which are held by the Fund; and protecting the U.S. dollar value of such securities which are held by the Fund.

SHAREHOLDERS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT INVESTING IN THE EQUITY AND FIXED-INCOME MARKETS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES GENERALLY INVOLVES EXPOSURE TO ECONOMIES THAT ARE GENERALLY LESS DIVERSE AND MATURE, AND TO POLITICAL SYSTEMS WHICH CAN BE EXPECTED TO HAVE LESS STABILITY THAN THOSE OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE INDICATES THAT THE MARKETS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN MORE VOLATILE THAN THE MARKETS OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. THE FUND IS ALSO SUSCEPTIBLE TO POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC FACTORS AFFECTING ISSUERS IN PACIFIC BASIN COUNTRIES. MANY OF THE COUNTRIES IN THE PACIFIC BASIN ARE DEVELOPING BOTH POLITICALLY AND ECONOMICALLY AND MAY HAVE RELATIVELY UNSTABLE GOVERNMENTS, ECONOMIES BASED ON ONLY A FEW COMMODITIES OR INDUSTRIES, AND SECURITIES MARKETS TRADING INFREQUENTLY OR IN LOW VOLUME. SOME PACIFIC BASIN COUNTRIES MAY ALSO RESTRICT THE EXTENT TO WHICH FOREIGNERS MAY INVEST IN THEIR SECURITIES MARKETS.

UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS, THE FUND MAY ALSO INVEST UP TO 35% OF ITS TOTAL ASSETS IN DEBT OBLIGATIONS, INCLUDING OBLIGATIONS ISSUED OR GUARANTEED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, ITS AGENCIES OR INSTRUMENTALITIES OR BY FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS OR SUPRANATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, OBLIGATIONS ISSUED BY BANKS AND CORPORATIONS AND OTHER DEBT OBLIGATIONS. These obligations may be denominated in U.S. dollars or in foreign currencies. The issuers of such securities may or may not be domiciled in the Pacific Basin region. Supranational organizations include entities such as the World Bank, which was chartered to finance development projects in developing member countries, and the Asian Development Bank, which is an international development bank established to lend funds, promote investment and provide technical assistance to member nations in the Asian and Pacific regions.

The Fund will purchase "investment grade" debt obligations. Investment grade debt obligations are bonds and other obligations rated within the four highest quality grades as determined by Moody's Investors Service (Moody's) (currently Aaa, Aa, A and Baa for bonds, MIG 1, MIG 2, MIG 3 and MIG 4 for notes and P-1 for commercial paper) or Standard & Poor's Ratings Group (S&P) (currently AAA, AA, AA and BBB for bonds, SP-1 and SP-2 for notes and A-1 for commercial paper), or by another nationally recognized statistical rating organization (NRSRO) or, if unrated, securities of equivalent quality in the opinion of the investment adviser. The Fund is permitted to invest up to 25% of its net assets in lower quality foreign convertible debt securities (I.E., high yield or high risk securities, commonly referred to as "junk" bonds) provided that such securities have minimum rating of at least B as determined by one NRSRO or, if unrated, are deemed by the investment adviser to be of comparable quality. Securities rated

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Baa by Moody's or BBB by S&P, although considered to be investment grade, are subject to changes in economic conditions or other circumstances which are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity to make interest and principal payments than is the case with higher grade bonds. Lower rated securities are subject to a greater risk of loss of principal and interest.

A convertible security is a bond or preferred stock which may be converted at a stated price within a specified period of time into a certain quantity of the common stock of the same or a different issuer. Convertible securities are senior to common stocks in a corporation's capital structure, but are usually subordinated to similar nonconvertible securities. While providing a fixed income stream (generally higher in yield than the income derivable from a common stock but lower than that afforded by a similar nonconvertible security), a convertible security also affords an investor the opportunity, through its conversion feature, to participate in the capital appreciation dependent upon a market price advance in the convertible security's underlying common stock. The Fund may invest up to 25% of its net assets in foreign convertible securities as described above. See "Risk Factors Relating to Investing in Foreign Debt Securities Rated Below Investment Grade" below.

In general the market value of a convertible security is at least the higher of its "investment value" (I.E., its value as a fixed-income security) or its "conversion value" (I.E., its value upon conversion into its underlying common stock). As a fixed-income security, a convertible security tends to increase in market value when interest rates decline and tends to decrease in value when interest rates rise. However, the price of a convertible security is also influenced by the market value of the security's underlying stock. The price of a convertible security tends to increase as the market value of the underlying stock rises, whereas it tends to decrease as the market value of the underlying stock declines. While no securities investment is without some risk, investments in convertible securities generally entail less risk than investments in the common stock of the same issuer.

WARRANTS

THE FUND MAY INVEST UP TO 5% OF ITS NET ASSETS IN WARRANTS. A warrant gives the holder thereof the right to subscribe by a specified date to a stated number of shares of stock of the issuer at a fixed price. Warrants tend to be more volatile than the underlying stock, and if at a warrant's expiration date the stock is trading at a price below the price set in the warrant, the warrant will expire worthless. Conversely, if at the expiration date the underlying stock is trading at a price higher than the price set in the warrant, the Fund can acquire the stock at a price below its market value.

RISK FACTORS RELATING TO INVESTING IN FOREIGN DEBT SECURITIES RATED BELOW INVESTMENT GRADE

The Fund is permitted to invest up to 25% of its net assets in lower quality foreign convertible debt securities. Fixed-income securities are subject to the risk of an issuer's inability to meet principal and interest payments on the obligations (credit risk) and may also be subject to price volatility due to such factors as interest rate sensitivity, market perception of the creditworthiness of the issuer and general market liquidity (market risk). Lower rated or unrated (I.E., high yield or high risk) securities, commonly referred to as "junk" bonds, are more likely to react to developments affecting market and credit risk than are more highly rated securities, which react primarily to movements in the general level of interest rates. The investment adviser considers both credit risk and market risk in making investment decisions for the Fund. Investors should carefully consider the relative risks of investing in high yield securities and understand that such securities are not generally meant for short-term trading.

Under adverse economic conditions, there is a risk that highly leveraged issuers may be unable to service their debt obligations or to repay their obligations upon maturity. In addition, the secondary market for high yield securities, which is concentrated in relatively few market makers, may not be as liquid as the secondary market for more highly rated securities. Under adverse market or economic conditions, the secondary market for high yield securities could contract further, independent of any specific adverse changes in the condition of a particular issuer. As a result, the investment adviser would find it more difficult to

sell these securities or may be able to sell the securities only at prices lower than if such securities were widely traded. Prices realized upon the sale of such lower rated or unrated securities, under these circumstances, may be less than the prices used in calculating the Fund's net asset value.

Lower rated or unrated debt obligations also present risks based on payment expectations. If an issuer calls the obligation for redemption, the Fund may have to replace the security with a lower yielding security, resulting in a decreased return for investors. If the Fund experiences unexpected net redemptions, it may be forced to sell its higher rated securities, resulting in a decline in the overall credit quality of the debt portion of the Fund's portfolio and increasing the exposure of the Fund to the risks of high yield securities.

HEDGING AND RETURN ENHANCEMENT STRATEGIES

THE FUND MAY ALSO ENGAGE IN VARIOUS PORTFOLIO STRATEGIES, INCLUDING DERIVATIVES, TO REDUCE CERTAIN RISKS OF ITS INVESTMENTS AND TO ATTEMPT TO ENHANCE RETURN. THE FUND, AND THUS ITS INVESTORS, MAY LOSE MONEY THROUGH THE UNSUCCESSFUL USE OF THESE STRATEGIES. These strategies currently include the use of options, forward currency exchange contracts and futures contracts and options thereon. The Fund's ability to use these strategies may be limited by market conditions, regulatory limits and tax considerations and there can be no assurance that any of these strategies will succeed. See "Investment Objective and Policies" and "Taxes" in the Statement of Additional Information. New financial products and risk management techniques continue to be developed and the Fund may use these new investments and techniques to the extent consistent with its investment objective and policies.

OPTIONS TRANSACTIONS

THE FUND MAY PURCHASE AND WRITE (I.E., SELL) PUT AND CALL OPTIONS ON SECURITIES, FINANCIAL INDICES AND CURRENCIES THAT ARE TRADED ON U.S. OR FOREIGN SECURITIES EXCHANGES OR IN THE OVER-THE-COUNTER MARKET TO ENHANCE RETURN OR TO HEDGE THE FUND'S PORTFOLIO. THESE OPTIONS WILL BE ON EQUITY SECURITIES, FINANCIAL INDICES (E.G., S&P 500) AND FOREIGN CURRENCIES. The Fund may write covered put and call options to generate additional income through the receipt of premiums, purchase put options in an effort to protect the value of a security that it owns against a decline in market value and purchase call options in an effort to protect against an increase in the price of securities (or currencies) it intends to purchase. The Fund may also purchase put and call options to offset previously written put and call options of the same series. See "Investment Objective and Policies--Options on Securities" in the Statement of Additional Information.

A CALL OPTION GIVES THE PURCHASER, IN EXCHANGE FOR A PREMIUM PAID, THE RIGHT FOR A SPECIFIED PERIOD OF TIME TO PURCHASE THE SECURITIES OR CURRENCY SUBJECT TO THE OPTION AT A SPECIFIED PRICE (THE EXERCISE PRICE OR STRIKE PRICE). The writer of a call option, in return for the premium, has the obligation, upon exercise of the option, to deliver, depending upon the terms of the option contract, the underlying securities or a specified amount of cash to the purchaser upon receipt of the exercise price. When the Fund writes a call option, the Fund gives up the potential for gain on the underlying securities or currency in excess of the exercise price of the option during the period that the option is open.

A PUT OPTION GIVES THE PURCHASER, IN RETURN FOR A PREMIUM, THE RIGHT, FOR A SPECIFIED PERIOD OF TIME, TO SELL THE SECURITIES OR CURRENCY SUBJECT TO THE OPTION TO THE WRITER OF THE PUT AT THE SPECIFIED EXERCISE PRICE. The writer of the put option, in return for the premium, has the obligation, upon exercise of the option, to acquire the securities or currency underlying the option at the exercise price. The Fund might, therefore, be obligated to purchase the underlying securities or currency for more than their current market price.

THE FUND WILL WRITE ONLY "COVERED" OPTIONS. A written option is covered if, as long as the Fund is obligated under the option, it (i) owns an offsetting position in the underlying security or currency or (ii) maintains in a segregated account cash or liquid assets in an amount equal to or greater than its obligations under the option. Under the first circumstance, the Fund's losses

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are limited because it owns the underlying security or currency; under the second circumstance, in the case of a written call option, the Fund's losses are potentially unlimited. See "Investment Objective and Policies--Options on

Securities" in the Statement of Additional Information. There is no limitation on the amount of call options the Fund may write.

FORWARD FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE CONTRACTS

THE FUND MAY ENTER INTO FORWARD FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE CONTRACTS TO PROTECT THE VALUE OF ITS ASSETS AGAINST FUTURE CHANGES IN THE LEVEL OF CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES. The Fund may enter into such contracts on a spot, I.E., cash, basis at the rate then prevailing in the currency exchange market or on a forward basis, by entering into a forward contract to purchase or sell currency. A forward contract on foreign currency is an obligation to purchase or sell a specific currency at a future date, which may be any fixed number of days agreed upon by the parties from the date of the contract at a price set on the date of the contract.

THE FUND'S DEALINGS IN FORWARD CONTRACTS WILL BE LIMITED TO HEDGING INVOLVING EITHER SPECIFIC TRANSACTIONS OR PORTFOLIO POSITIONS. Transaction hedging is the purchase or sale of a forward contract with respect to specific receivables or payables of the Fund generally arising in connection with the purchase or sale of its portfolio securities and accruals of interest or dividends receivable and Fund expenses. Position hedging is the sale of a foreign currency with respect to portfolio security positions denominated or quoted in that currency or in a different currency (cross hedge). Although there are no limits on the number of forward contracts which the Fund may enter into, the Fund may not position hedge (including cross hedges) with respect to a particular currency for an amount greater than the aggregate market value (determined at the time of making any sale of forward currency) of the securities being hedged. See "Investment Objective and Policies--Risks Related to Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts" in the Statement of Additional Information.

FUTURES CONTRACTS AND OPTIONS THEREON

THE FUND MAY PURCHASE AND SELL FINANCIAL FUTURES CONTRACTS AND OPTIONS THEREON WHICH ARE TRADED ON A COMMODITIES EXCHANGE OR BOARD OF TRADE TO REDUCE CERTAIN RISKS OF ITS INVESTMENTS AND TO ATTEMPT TO ENHANCE RETURN IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS OF THE COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION (CFTC). THE FUND, AND THUS ITS INVESTORS, MAY LOSE MONEY THROUGH THE UNSUCCESSFUL USE OF THESE STRATEGIES. These futures contracts and related options will be on financial indices and foreign currencies or groups of foreign currencies such as the European Currency Unit. A European Currency Unit is a basket of specified amounts of the currencies of certain member states of the European Economic Community, a Western European economic cooperative organization including France, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. A futures contract is an agreement to purchase or sell an agreed amount of securities or currencies at a set price for delivery in the future. A stock index futures contract is an agreement to purchase or sell cash equal to a specific dollar amount times the difference between the value of a specific stock index at the close of the last trading day of the contract and the price at which the agreement is made. No physical delivery of the underlying stocks in the index is made. The Fund may purchase and sell stock index futures contracts or related options as a hedge against changes in market conditions.

The Fund may not purchase or sell futures contracts and related options to attempt to enhance return, if immediately thereafter the sum of the amount of initial margin deposits on the Fund's existing futures and options on futures and premiums paid for such related options would exceed 5% of the liquidation value of the Fund's total assets. The Fund may purchase and sell futures contracts and related options, without limitation, for BONA FIDE hedging purposes in accordance with regulations of the CFTC (I.E. to reduce certain risks of its investments). The value of all futures contracts sold will not exceed the total market value of the Fund's portfolio.

Futures contracts and related options are generally subject to segregation and coverage requirements of the CFTC or the SEC. If the Fund does not hold the security or currency underlying the futures contract, the Fund will be required to segregate on an ongoing basis with its Custodian cash or liquid assets in an amount at least equal to the Fund's obligations with respect to such futures contracts.

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THE FUND'S SUCCESSFUL USE OF FUTURES CONTRACTS AND RELATED OPTIONS DEPENDS UPON THE INVESTMENT ADVISER'S ABILITY TO PREDICT THE DIRECTION OF THE MARKET AND IS SUBJECT TO VARIOUS ADDITIONAL RISKS. The correlation between movements in the price of a futures contract and the movements in the index or price of the currencies underlying the futures contract may increase or decrease at a greater

rate than the related futures contracts resulting in losses to the Fund. Certain futures exchanges or boards of trade have established daily limits on the amount that the price of futures contracts or related options may vary, either up or down, from the previous day's settlement price. These daily limits may restrict the Fund's ability to purchase or sell certain futures contracts or related options on any particular day.

The Fund's ability to enter into futures contracts and options thereon is limited by the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code for qualification as a regulated investment company. See "Taxes" in the Statement of Additional Information.

RISKS OF HEDGING AND RETURN ENHANCEMENT STRATEGIES

PARTICIPATION IN THE OPTIONS OR FUTURES MARKETS AND IN CURRENCY EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS INVOLVES INVESTMENT RISKS AND TRANSACTION COSTS TO WHICH THE FUND WOULD NOT BE SUBJECT ABSENT THE USE OF THESE STRATEGIES. THE FUND, AND THUS ITS INVESTORS, MAY LOSE MONEY THROUGH THE UNSUCCESSFUL USE OF THESE STRATEGIES. If the investment adviser's predictions of movements in the direction of the securities, foreign currency and interest rate markets are inaccurate, the adverse consequences to the Fund may leave the Fund in a worse position than if such strategies were not used. Risks inherent in the use of options, foreign currency and futures contracts and options on futures contracts include (1) dependence on the investment adviser's ability to predict correctly movements in the direction of interest rates, securities prices and currency markets; (2) imperfect correlation between the price of options and futures contracts and options thereon and movements in the prices of the securities or currencies being hedged; (3) the fact that skills needed to use these strategies are different from those needed to select portfolio securities; (4) the possible absence of a liquid secondary market for any particular instrument at any time; (5) the possible need to defer closing out certain hedged positions to avoid adverse tax consequences; and (6) the possible inability of the Fund to purchase or sell a portfolio security at a time that otherwise would be favorable for it to do so, or the possible need for the Fund to sell a portfolio security at a disadvantageous time, due to the need for the Fund to maintain "cover" or to segregate securities in connection with hedging transactions. See "Taxes" in the Statement of Additional Information.

The Fund will generally purchase options and futures on an exchange only if there appears to be a liquid secondary market for such options or futures; the Fund will generally purchase over-the-counter (OTC) options only if management believes that the other party to the options will continue to make a market for such options. However, there can be no assurance that a liquid secondary market will continue to exist or that the other party will continue to make a market. Thus, it may not be possible to close an options or futures transaction. The inability to close options and futures positions also could have an adverse impact on the Fund's ability to effectively hedge its portfolio. There is also the risk of loss by the Fund of margin deposits or collateral in the event of bankruptcy of a broker with whom the Fund has an open position in an option, a futures contract or related option.

OTHER INVESTMENTS AND POLICIES

REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS

The Fund will enter into repurchase agreements, whereby the seller of the security agrees to repurchase that security from the Fund at a mutually agreed-upon time and price. The repurchase date is usually within a day or two of the original purchase, although it may extend over a number of months. The resale price is in excess of the purchase price, reflecting an agreed-upon rate of return effective for the period of time the Fund's money is invested in the repurchase agreement. The Fund's repurchase agreements will at all times be fully collateralized in an amount at least equal to the resale price. In the event of a default or bankruptcy by a seller, the Fund will promptly seek to liquidate the collateral. To the extent that the proceeds from any sale of such collateral upon a default in the obligation to repurchase are less than the resale price, the Fund will suffer a loss. The Fund

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participates in a joint repurchase account with other investment companies managed by PMF pursuant to an order of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). See "Investment Objective and Policies--Repurchase Agreements" in the Statement of Additional Information.

BORROWING

The Fund may borrow an amount equal to no more than 20% of the value of its total assets (calculated when the loan is made) from banks for temporary,

extraordinary or emergency purposes or for the clearance of transactions. The Fund may pledge up to 20% of its total assets to secure these borrowings.

ILLIQUID SECURITIES

The Fund may hold up to 10% of its net assets in illiquid securities including repurchase agreements which have a maturity of longer than seven days, securities with legal or contractual restrictions on resale (restricted securities) and securities that are not readily marketable in securities markets either within or outside of the United States. Restricted securities eligible for resale pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act) and privately placed commercial paper that have a readily available market are not considered illiquid for purposes of this limitation. The Fund's investments in Rule 144A securities could have the effect of increasing illiquidity to the extent that qualified institutional buyers become, for a time, uninterested in purchasing Rule 144A securities. See "Investment Restrictions" in the Statement of Additional Information. The investment adviser will monitor the liquidity of such restricted securities under the supervision of the Board of Directors. Repurchase agreements subject to demand are deemed to have a maturity equal to the applicable notice period.

The staff of the SEC has taken the position, which the Fund intends to follow, that OTC options and the assets used as "cover" for written OTC options are illiquid securities unless the Fund and the counterparty have provided for the Fund, at the Fund's election, to unwind the OTC option. The exercise of such an option would ordinarily involve the payment by the Fund of an amount designed to reflect the counterparty's economic loss from an early termination, but does allow the Fund to treat the securities used as "cover" as "liquid." See "Investment Objective and Policies--Illiquid Securities" in the Statement of Additional Information.

PORTFOLIO TURNOVER

As a result of the Fund's investment policies, its portfolio turnover rate may exceed 100%, although the rate is not expected to exceed 200%. High portfolio turnover (over 100%) may involve correspondingly greater brokerage commissions and other transaction costs, which will be borne directly by the Fund. See "Portfolio Transactions and Brokerage" in the Statement of Additional Information. In addition, high portfolio turnover may result in increased short-term capital gains, which, when distributed to shareholders, are treated as ordinary income. See "Taxes, Dividends and Distributions."

WHEN-ISSUED AND DELAYED DELIVERY SECURITIES

The Fund may purchase or sell securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis. When-issued or delayed delivery transactions arise when securities are purchased or sold by the Fund with payment and delivery taking place a month or more in the future in order to secure what is considered to be an advantageous price and/or yield to the Fund at the time of entering into the transaction. While the Fund will only purchase securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis with the intention of acquiring the securities, the Fund may sell the securities before the settlement date, if it is deemed advisable. At the time the Fund makes the commitment to purchase securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis, the Fund will record the transaction and thereafter reflect the value, each day, of such security in determining the net asset value of the Fund. At the time of delivery of the securities, the value may be more or less than the purchase price. The Fund's Custodian will maintain, in a segregated account

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of the Fund, cash or liquid assets, having a value equal to or greater than the Fund's purchase commitments. Subject to this requirement, the Fund may purchase securities on such basis without limit. See "Investment Objective and Policies--When-Issued and Delayed Delivery Securities" in the Statement of Additional Information.

SECURITIES LENDING

The Fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers or dealers, banks or other recognized institutional borrowers of securities, provided that the borrower at all times maintains cash or equivalent collateral or secures a letter of credit in favor of the Fund in an amount equal to at least 100%, determined daily, of the market value of the securities loaned which are maintained in a segregated account pursuant to applicable regulations. During the time portfolio securities are on loan, the borrower will pay the Fund an amount equivalent to any dividend or interest paid on such securities and the Fund may invest the cash collateral and earn additional income, or it may receive an agreed-upon amount of interest income from the borrower. As with any

extensions of credit, there are risks of delay in recovery and in some cases loss of rights in the collateral should the borrower of the securities fail financially. As a matter of fundamental policy, the Fund cannot lend more than 30% of the value of its total assets. See "Investment Objective and Policies--Lending of Securities" in the Statement of Additional Information. The Fund may pay reasonable administration and custodial fees in connection with a loan.

INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS

The Fund is subject to certain investment restrictions which, like its investment objective, constitute fundamental policies. Fundamental policies cannot be changed without the approval of the holders of a majority of the Fund's outstanding voting securities as defined in the Investment Company Act. See "Investment Restrictions" in the Statement of Additional Information.

HOW THE FUND IS MANAGED

The Fund has a Board of Directors which, in addition to overseeing the actions of the Fund's Manager, Subadviser and Distributor, decides upon matters of general policy. The Fund's Manager conducts and supervises the daily business operations of the Fund. The Fund's Subadviser furnishes daily investment advisory services.

MANAGER

PRUDENTIAL MUTUAL FUND MANAGEMENT LLC (PMF OR THE MANAGER), GATEWAY CENTER THREE, 100 MULBERRY STREET, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY 07102-4077, IS THE MANAGER OF THE FUND AND IS COMPENSATED FOR ITS SERVICES AT AN ANNUAL RATE OF .75 OF 1% OF THE FUND'S AVERAGE DAILY NET ASSETS. PMF is organized in New York as a limited liability company. It is the successor of Prudential Mutual Fund Management, Inc., which transferred its assets to PMF in September 1996. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996, the Fund paid management fees to PMF of 0.75% of the Fund's average net assets. See "Manager" in the Statement of Additional Information.

As of November 30, 1996, PMF served as the manager to 40 open-end investment companies, constituting all of the Prudential Mutual Funds, and as manager or administrator to 22 closed-end investment companies with aggregate assets of approximately \$53.4\$ billion.

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE FUND, PMF MANAGES THE INVESTMENT OPERATIONS OF THE FUND AND ALSO ADMINISTERS THE FUND'S CORPORATE AFFAIRS. SEE "MANAGER" IN THE STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

UNDER A SUBADVISORY AGREEMENT BETWEEN PMF AND THE PRUDENTIAL INVESTMENT CORPORATION (PIC, THE SUBADVISER OR THE INVESTMENT ADVISER), PIC FURNISHES INVESTMENT ADVISORY SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE MANAGEMENT OF THE FUND

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AND IS REIMBURSED BY PMF FOR ITS REASONABLE COSTS AND EXPENSES INCURRED IN PROVIDING SUCH SERVICES. Under the Management Agreement, PMF continues to have responsibility for all investment advisory services and supervises PIC's performance of such services.

The current portfolio manager of the Fund is Daniel J. Duane, a Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer for Global Equity Investments of Prudential Mutual Fund Investment Management, a unit of PIC. Mr. Duane has responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Fund's portfolio. Mr. Duane has managed the Fund's portfolio since its inception in July 1992 and has been employed by PIC as a portfolio manager since 1990. He was formerly with First Investors Asset Management from 1986 to 1990 as senior portfolio manager and head of global equity investments. Mr. Duane is a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Duane also serves as the portfolio manager of the Prudential Series Fund Global Equity Portfolio, Prudential World Fund Global Series and Prudential Europe Growth Fund.

Consistent with the investment objectives and policies of the Fund, Mr. Duane evaluates the economic climate in various countries and focuses on

growth-oriented global equity investments. He seeks to identify long-term themes and changing economic conditions that, in his opinion, will lead to earnings growth. His portfolio management style can be referred to as "bottom up" in that his primary focus is on individual stocks. He evaluates historical business trends in the United States when looking for long-term investment opportunities abroad (the "rear view mirror" analysis). He generally maintains exposure to major world stock markets and, under normal market conditions, seeks to keep the Fund's portfolio fully invested. Mr. Duane consults with a team of regional equity analysts who provide research on existing holdings of the Fund and on potential acquisitions.

PMF and PIC are wholly-owned subsidiaries of The Prudential Insurance Company of America (Prudential), a major diversified insurance and financial services company.

DISTRIBUTOR

Prudential Securities Incorporated (Prudential Securities or PSI), One Seaport Plaza, New York, New York 10292, is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and serves as the distributor of the Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z shares of the Fund. It is an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Prudential.

UNDER SEPARATE DISTRIBUTION AND SERVICE PLANS (THE CLASS A PLAN, THE CLASS B PLAN AND THE CLASS C PLAN, COLLECTIVELY, THE PLANS) ADOPTED BY THE FUND UNDER RULE 12B-1 UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT AND A DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT (THE DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT), PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES (ALSO THE DISTRIBUTOR) INCURS THE EXPENSES OF DISTRIBUTING THE FUND'S CLASS A, CLASS B AND CLASS C SHARES. Prudential Securities also incurs the expenses of distributing the Fund's Class Z shares under the Distribution Agreement, none of which is reimbursed by or paid for by the Fund. These expenses include commissions and account servicing fees paid to, or on account of, financial advisers of Prudential Securities and representatives of Pruco Securities Corporation (Prusec), an affiliated broker-dealer, commissions and account servicing fees paid to, or on account of, other broker-dealers or financial institutions (other than national banks) which have entered into agreements with the Distributor, advertising expenses, the cost of printing and mailing prospectuses to potential investors and indirect and overhead costs of Prudential and Prusec associated with the sale of Fund shares, including lease, utility, communications and sales promotion expenses. The State of Texas requires that shares of the Fund may be sold in that state only by dealers or other financial institutions which are registered there as broker-dealers.

Under the Plans, the Fund is obligated to pay distribution and/or service fees to the Distributor as compensation for its distribution and service activities, not as reimbursement for specific expenses incurred. If the Distributor's expenses exceed its distribution and service fees, the Fund will not be obligated to pay any additional expenses. If the Distributor's expenses are less than such distribution and service fees, it will retain its full fees and realize a profit.

UNDER THE CLASS A PLAN, THE FUND MAY PAY PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES FOR ITS DISTRIBUTION-RELATED ACTIVITIES WITH RESPECT TO CLASS A SHARES AT AN ANNUAL RATE OF UP TO .30 OF 1% OF THE AVERAGE DAILY NET ASSETS OF THE CLASS A SHARES. The Class A

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Plan provides that (i) up to .25 of 1% of the daily net assets of the Class A shares may be used to pay for personal service and/or the maintenance of shareholder accounts (service fee) and (ii) total distribution fees (including the service fee of .25 of 1%) may not exceed .30 of 1% of the average daily net assets of the Class A shares. Prudential Securities has agreed to limit its distribution-related fees payable under the Class A Plan to .25 of 1% of the average daily net assets of the Class A shares for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1997.

UNDER THE CLASS B AND CLASS C PLANS, THE FUND PAYS PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES FOR ITS DISTRIBUTION-RELATED ACTIVITIES WITH RESPECT TO CLASS B AND CLASS C SHARES AT AN ANNUAL RATE OF 1% OF THE AVERAGE DAILY NET ASSETS OF EACH OF THE CLASS B AND CLASS C SHARES. The Class B and Class C Plans provide for the payment to Prudential Securities of (i) an asset-based sales charge of .75 of 1% of the average daily net assets of each of the Class B and Class C shares, and (ii) a service fee of .25 of 1% of the average daily net assets of each of the Class B and Class C shares. The service fee is used to pay for personal service and/or the maintenance of shareholder accounts. Prudential Securities also receives contingent deferred sales charges from certain redeeming shareholders. See "Shareholder Guide--How to Sell Your Shares--Contingent Deferred Sales Charges."

For the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996, the Fund paid distribution expenses of .25%, 1%, and 1% of the average net assets of the Class A, Class B and Class C shares, respectively. The Fund records all payments made under the Plans as expenses in the calculation of net investment income.

Distribution expenses attributable to the sale of Class A, Class B or Class C shares of the Fund will be allocated to each class based upon the ratio of sales of each class to the sales of all shares of the Fund other than expenses allocable to a particular class. The distribution fee and sales charge of one class will not be used to subsidize the sale of another class.

Each Plan provides that it shall continue in effect from year to year provided that a majority of the Board of Directors of the Fund, including a majority of the Directors who are not "interested persons" of the Fund (as defined in the Investment Company Act) and who have no direct or indirect financial interest in the operation of the Plan or any agreement related to the Plan (the Rule 12b-1 Directors), vote annually to continue the Plan. Each Plan may be terminated at any time by vote of a majority of the Rule 12b-1 Directors or of a majority of the outstanding shares of the applicable class of the Fund. The Fund will not be obligated to pay distribution and service fees incurred under any Plan if it is terminated or not continued.

In addition to distribution and service fees paid by the Fund under the Class A, Class B and Class C Plans, the Manager (or one of its affiliates) may make payments out of its own resources to dealers (including Prudential Securities) and other persons which distribute shares of the Fund (including Class Z shares). Such payments may be calculated by reference to the net asset value of shares sold by such persons or otherwise.

The Distributor is subject to the rules of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (the NASD) governing maximum sales charges. See "Distributor" in the Statement of Additional Information.

On October 21, 1993, PSI entered into an omnibus settlement with the SEC, state securities regulators (with the exception of the Texas Securities Commissioner who joined the settlement on January 18, 1994) and the NASD to resolve allegations that from 1980 through 1990 PSI sold certain limited partnership interests in violation of securities laws to persons for whom such securities were not suitable and misrepresented the safety, potential returns and liquidity of these investments. Without admitting or denying the allegations asserted against it, PSI consented to the entry of an SEC Administrative Order which stated that PSI's conduct violated the federal securities laws, directed PSI to cease and desist from violating the federal securities laws, pay civil penalties, and adopt certain remedial measures to address the violations.

Pursuant to the terms of the SEC settlement, PSI agreed to the imposition of a \$10,000,000 civil penalty, established a settlement fund in the amount of \$330,000,000 and procedures to resolve legitimate claims for compensatory damages by purchasers of the partnership interests. PSI has agreed to provide additional funds, if necessary, for the purpose of the settlement fund. PSI's settlement with the state securities regulators included an agreement to pay a penalty of \$500,000 per jurisdiction. PSI consented to a censure and to the payment of a \$5,000,000 fine in settling the NASD action.

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In October 1994, a criminal complaint was filed with the United States Magistrate for the Southern District of New York alleging that PSI committed fraud in connection with the sale of certain limited partnership interests in violation of federal securities laws. An agreement was simultaneously filed to defer prosecution of these charges for a period of three years from the signing of the agreement, provided that PSI complies with the terms of the agreement. If, upon completion of the three year period, PSI has complied with the terms of the agreement, no prosecution will be instituted by the United States for the offenses charged in the complaint. If on the other hand, during the course of the three year period, PSI violates the terms of the agreement, the U.S. Attorney can then elect to pursue these charges. Under the terms of the agreement, PSI agreed, among other things, to pay an additional \$330,000,000 into the fund established by the SEC to pay restitution to investors who purchased certain PSI limited partnership interests.

For more detailed information concerning the foregoing matters, see "Distributor" in the Statement of Additional Information, a copy of which may be obtained at no cost by calling 1-800-225-1852.

The Fund is not affected by PSI's financial condition and is an entirely separate legal entity from PSI, which has no beneficial ownership therein and the Fund's assets which are held by State Street Bank & Trust Company, an

independent custodian, are separate and distinct from PSI.

FEE WAIVERS AND SUBSIDY

PMF may from time to time waive all or a portion of its management fee and subsidize all or a portion of the operating expenses of the Fund. Fee waivers and expense subsidies will increase the Fund's total return. See "Performance Information" in the Statement of Additional Information and "Fund Expenses."

PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS

Prudential Securities may act as a broker or futures commission merchant for the Fund provided that the commissions, fees or other remuneration it receives are fair and reasonable. See "Portfolio Transactions and Brokerage" in the Statement of Additional Information.

CUSTODIAN AND TRANSFER AND DIVIDEND DISBURSING AGENT

State Street Bank and Trust Company, One Heritage Drive, North Quincy, Massachusetts 02171, serves as Custodian for the Fund's portfolio securities and cash and, in that capacity, maintains certain financial and accounting books and records pursuant to an agreement with the Fund. Its mailing address is P.O. Box 1713, Boston, Massachusetts 02105.

Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc. (PMFS), Raritan Plaza One, Edison, New Jersey 08837, serves as Transfer Agent and Dividend Disbursing Agent and in those capacities maintains certain books and records for the Fund. PMFS is a wholly-owned subsidiary of PMF. Its mailing address is P.O. Box 15005, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08906-5005.

HOW THE FUND VALUES ITS SHARES

THE FUND'S NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE OR NAV IS DETERMINED BY SUBTRACTING ITS LIABILITIES FROM THE VALUE OF ITS ASSETS AND DIVIDING THE REMAINDER BY THE NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING SHARES. NAV IS CALCULATED SEPARATELY FOR EACH CLASS. For valuation purposes, quotations of foreign securities in a foreign currency are converted to U.S. dollar equivalents. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS FIXED THE SPECIFIC TIME OF DAY FOR THE COMPUTATION OF THE FUND'S NAV TO BE AS OF 4:15 P.M., NEW YORK TIME.

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Portfolio securities are valued based on market quotations or, if not readily available, at fair value as determined in good faith under procedures established by the Fund's Board of Directors. See "Net Asset Value" in the Statement of Additional Information.

The Fund will compute its NAV once daily on days that the New York Stock Exchange is open for trading except on days on which no orders to purchase, sell or redeem shares have been received by the Fund or days on which changes in the value of the Fund's portfolio securities do not materially affect the NAV. The New York Stock Exchange is closed on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Presidents' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. See "Net Asset Value" in the Statement of Additional Information.

Although the legal rights of each class of shares are substantially identical, the different expenses borne by each class will result in different NAVs and dividends. The NAV of Class B and Class C shares will generally be lower than the NAV of Class A shares as a result of the larger distribution-related fee to which Class B and Class C shares are subject. The NAV of the Class Z shares will generally be higher than the NAV of the three other classes because Class Z shares are not subject to any distribution and/or service fees. It is expected, however, that the NAV of the four classes will tend to converge immediately after the recording of dividends, which will differ by approximately the amount of the distribution and/or service fee expense accrual differential among the classes.

HOW THE FUND CALCULATES PERFORMANCE

FROM TIME TO TIME THE FUND MAY ADVERTISE ITS TOTAL RETURN (INCLUDING "AVERAGE ANNUAL" TOTAL RETURN AND "AGGREGATE" TOTAL RETURN) AND YIELD IN ADVERTISEMENTS OR SALES LITERATURE. TOTAL RETURN AND YIELD ARE CALCULATED SEPARATELY FOR CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C, AND CLASS Z SHARES. THESE FIGURES ARE BASED ON HISTORICAL

EARNINGS AND ARE NOT INTENDED TO INDICATE FUTURE PERFORMANCE. The "total return" shows how much an investment in the Fund would have increased (decreased) over a specified period of time (I.E., one, five, or ten years or since inception of the Fund) assuming that all distributions and dividends by the Fund were reinvested on the reinvestment dates during the period and less all recurring fees. The "aggregate" total return reflects actual performance over a stated period of time. "Average annual" total return is a hypothetical rate of return that, if achieved annually, would have produced the same aggregate total return if performance had been constant over the entire period. "Average annual" total return smooths out variations in performance and takes into account any applicable initial or contingent deferred sales charges. Neither "average annual" total return nor "aggregate" total return takes into account any federal or state income taxes which may be payable upon redemption. The "yield" refers to the income generated by an investment in the Fund over a one-month or 30-day period. This income is then "annualized;" that is, the amount of income generated by the investment during that 30-day period is assumed to be generated each 30-day period for twelve periods and is shown as a percentage of the investment. The income earned on the investment is also assumed to be reinvested at the end of the sixth 30-day period. The Fund may also from time to time advertise its 30-day yield. The Fund also may include comparative performance information in advertising or marketing the Fund's shares. Such performance information may include data from Lipper Analytical Services, Inc., Morningstar Publications, Inc., other industry publications, business periodicals and market Indices. See "Performance Information" in the Statement of Additional Information. Further performance information is contained in the Fund's annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders, which may be obtained without charge. See "Shareholder Guide--Shareholder Services-- Reports to Shareholders."

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TAXES, DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

TAXATION OF THE FUND

THE FUND HAS ELECTED TO QUALIFY AND INTENDS TO REMAIN QUALIFIED AS A REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANY UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE CODE). ACCORDINGLY THE FUND WILL NOT BE SUBJECT TO FEDERAL INCOME TAKES ON ITS NET INVESTMENT INCOME AND CAPITAL GAINS, IF ANY, THAT IT DISTRIBUTES TO ITS SHAREHOLDERS.

The Fund may, from time to time, invest in Passive Foreign Investment Companies (PFICs). PFICs are foreign corporations which derive a majority of their income from passive sources. For tax purposes, the Fund's investments in PFICs are subject to special tax provisions that may result in the taxation of certain gains realized by the Fund. See "Taxes" in the Statement of Additional Information.

TAXATION OF SHAREHOLDERS

Any dividends out of net taxable investment income, together with distributions of net short-term gains (i.e., the excess of net short-term capital gains over net long-term capital losses) distributed to shareholders, will be taxable as ordinary income to the shareholder whether or not reinvested. Any net capital gains (i.e., the excess of net long-term capital gains over net short-term capital losses) distributed to shareholders will be taxable as long-term capital gains to the shareholders, whether or not reinvested and regardless of the length of time a shareholder has owned his or her shares. The maximum long-term capital gains rate for individuals is 28%. The maximum long-term capital gains rate for corporate shareholders is currently the same as the maximum tax rate for ordinary income.

The Fund may incur foreign income taxes in connection with some of its foreign investments. Certain of these taxes may be credited to shareholders. See "Taxes" in the Statement of Additional Information.

Any gain or loss realized upon a sale or redemption of shares by a shareholder who is not a dealer in securities will be treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the shares have been held more than one year and otherwise as short-term capital gain or loss. Any capital loss with respect to shares held for six months or less will be treated as long-term capital loss to the extent of any capital gain distributions received by the shareholder with respect to such shares.

Any loss realized on a sale, redemption or exchange of shares of the Fund by a shareholder will be disallowed to the extent the shares are replaced within a 61-day period (beginning 30 days before the disposition of shares). Shares purchased pursuant to the reinvestment of a dividend will constitute a replacement of shares.

A shareholder who acquires shares of the Fund and sells or otherwise disposes of such shares within 90 days of acquisition may not be allowed to include certain sales charges incurred in acquiring such shares for purposes of calculating gain or loss realized upon a sale or exchange of shares of the Fund.

Distributions by the Fund to a shareholder that is a qualified retirement plan would generally not be taxable to participants in the plan. Distributions from a qualified retirement plan (or non-qualified arrangement) to a participant or beneficiary are subject to special rules. These rules vary greatly with individual situations, therefore potential investors are urged to consult with their own tax advisors.

The Fund has obtained opinions of counsel to the effect that neither (i) the conversion of Class B shares into Class A shares nor (ii) the exchange of Class B or Class C shares for Class A or Class Z shares or the exchange of Class A shares for Class Z shares constitutes a taxable event for federal income tax purposes. However, such opinions are not binding on the Internal Revenue Service.

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Shareholders are urged to consult their own tax advisers regarding specific questions as to federal, state or local taxes. See "Taxes" in the Statement of Additional Information.

WITHHOLDING TAXES

Under U.S. Treasury Regulations, the Fund is required to withhold and remit to the U.S. Treasury 31% of dividends, capital gain income and redemption proceeds, payable on the accounts of those shareholders who fail to furnish their tax identification numbers on IRS Form W-9 (or IRS Form W-8 in the case of certain foreign shareholders) with the required certifications regarding the shareholder's status under the federal income tax law.

DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

The Fund expects to pay dividends of net investment income, if any, and make distributions of any capital gains in excess of net long-term capital losses on an annual basis. Dividends paid by the Fund with respect to each class of shares, to the extent any dividends are paid, will be calculated in the same manner, at the same time, on the same day and will be in the same amount except that each class will bear its own distribution charges, generally resulting in lower dividends for Class B and Class C shares in relation to Class A and Class Z shares and lower dividends for Class A shares in relation to Class Z shares. Distribution of net capital gains, if any, will be paid in the same amount for each class of shares. See "How the Fund Values its Shares."

DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS WILL BE PAID IN ADDITIONAL FUND SHARES, BASED ON THE NAV OF EACH CLASS ON THE RECORD DATE OR SUCH OTHER DATE AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAY DETERMINE, UNLESS THE SHAREHOLDER ELECTS IN WRITING NOT LESS THAN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE RECORD DATE TO RECEIVE SUCH DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS IN CASH. Such election should be submitted to Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc., Attn: Account Maintenance Unit, P.O. Box 15015, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08906-5015. The Fund will notify each shareholder after the close of the Fund's taxable year both of the dollar amount and the taxable status of that year's dividends and distributions on a per share basis. If you hold shares through Prudential Securities, you should contact your financial advisor to elect to receive dividends and distributions in cash.

WHEN THE FUND GOES "EX-DIVIDEND," ITS NAV IS REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF THE DIVIDEND OR DISTRIBUTION. IF YOU BUY SHARES JUST PRIOR TO THE EX-DIVIDEND DATE (WHICH GENERALLY OCCURS FOUR BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE RECORD DATE), THE PRICE YOU PAY WILL INCLUDE THE DIVIDEND OR DISTRIBUTION AND A PORTION OF YOUR INVESTMENT WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU AS A TAXABLE DISTRIBUTION. YOU SHOULD, THEREFORE, CONSIDER THE TIMING OF DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS WHEN MAKING YOUR PURCHASES.

GENERAL INFORMATION

THE FUND WAS INCORPORATED IN MARYLAND ON AUGUST 14, 1991. THE FUND IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE 2 BILLION SHARES OF COMMON STOCK, \$.001 PAR VALUE PER SHARE, DIVIDED INTO FOUR CLASSES, DESIGNATED CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C AND CLASS Z COMMON STOCK EACH CONSISTING OF 500 MILLION AUTHORIZED SHARES. Each class of common stock represents an interest in the same assets of the Fund and is identical in all respects except that (i) each class (with the exception of Class Z shares) is subject to different sales charges and distribution and/or service fees, which may affect performance, (ii) each class has exclusive voting rights on any matter submitted to shareholders that relates solely to its arrangement and has separate voting rights on any matter submitted to shareholders in which the interests of one class differ from the interests of any other class, (iii) each class has a different exchange privilege, (iv) only Class B shares have a conversion feature and (v) Class Z shares are offered exclusively for

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sale to a limited group of investors. In accordance with the Fund's Articles of Incorporation, the Board of Directors may authorize the creation of additional series and classes within such series, with such preferences, privileges, limitations and voting and dividend rights as the Board of Directors may determine.

The Board of Directors may increase or decrease the number of authorized shares without approval by shareholders. Shares of the Fund, when issued, are fully paid, nonassessable, fully transferable and redeemable at the option of the holder. Shares are also redeemable at the option of the Fund under certain circumstances as described under "Shareholder Guide--How to Sell Your Shares.' Each share of each class of common stock is equal as to earnings, assets and voting privileges, except as noted above, and each class (with the exception of Class Z shares which are not subject to any distribution and/or service fees) bears the expenses related to the distribution of its shares. Except for the conversion feature applicable to the Class B shares, there are no conversion, preemptive or other subscription rights. In the event of liquidation, each share of common stock of the Fund is entitled to its portion of all of the Fund's assets after all debts and expenses of the Fund have been paid. Since Class B and Class C shares generally bear higher distribution expenses than Class A shares, the liquidation proceeds to shareholders of those classes are likely to be lower than to Class A shareholders and to Class Z shareholders whose shares are not subject to any distribution and/or service fees. The Fund's shares do not have cumulative voting rights for the election of Directors.

THE FUND DOES NOT INTEND TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETINGS OF SHAREHOLDERS UNLESS OTHERWISE REQUIRED BY LAW. THE FUND WILL NOT BE REQUIRED TO HOLD MEETINGS OF SHAREHOLDERS UNLESS, FOR EXAMPLE, THE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS IS REQUIRED TO BE ACTED ON BY SHAREHOLDERS UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT. SHAREHOLDERS HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO CALL A MEETING UPON A VOTE OF 10% OR MORE OF THE FUND'S OUTSTANDING SHARES FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE REMOVAL OF ONE OR MORE DIRECTORS OR TO TRANSACT ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This Prospectus, including the Statement of Additional Information which has been incorporated by reference herein, does not contain all the information set forth in the Registration Statement filed by the Fund with the SEC under the Securities Act. Copies of the Registration Statement may be obtained at a reasonable charge from the SEC or may be examined, without charge, at the office of the SEC in Washington, D.C.

SHAREHOLDER GUIDE

HOW TO BUY SHARES OF THE FUND

YOU MAY PURCHASE SHARES OF THE FUND THROUGH PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES, PRUSEC OR DIRECTLY FROM THE FUND, THROUGH ITS TRANSFER AGENT, PRUDENTIAL MUTUAL FUND SERVICES, INC. (PMFS OR THE TRANSFER AGENT), ATTENTION: INVESTMENT SERVICES, P.O. BOX 15020, NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY 08966-5020. Participants in programs sponsored by Prudential Retirement Services should contact their client representative for more information about Class Z shares. The purchase price is the NAV next determined following receipt of an order by the Transfer Agent or Prudential Securities plus a sales charge which, at your option, may be imposed either (i) at the time of purchase (Class A shares) or (ii) on a deferred basis (Class B or Class C shares). Class Z shares are offered to a limited group of

investors at net asset value without any sales charge. See "Alternative Purchase Plan" below. See also "How the Fund Values its Shares."

The minimum initial investment for Class A and Class B shares is \$1,000 per class and \$5,000 for Class C shares, except that the minimum initial investment for Class C shares may be waived from time to time. There is no minimum initial investment requirement for investors who qualify to purchase Class Z shares. The minimum subsequent investment is \$100 for all classes, except for Class Z shares for which there is no such minimum. All minimum investment requirements are waived for certain retirement and employee savings plans or custodial accounts for the benefit of minors. For purchases through the Automatic Savings Accumulation Plan, the minimum initial and subsequent investment is \$50. See "Shareholder Services" below.

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Application forms can be obtained from PMFS, Prudential Securities or Prusec. If a stock certificate is desired, it must be requested in writing for each transaction. Certificates are issued only for full shares. Shareholders who hold their shares through Prudential Securities will not receive stock certificates.

The Fund reserves the right to reject any purchase order (including an exchange into the Fund) or to suspend or modify the continuous offering of its shares. See "How to Sell Your Shares."

Your dealer is responsible for forwarding payment promptly to the Fund. The Distributor reserves the right to cancel any purchase order for which payment has not been received by the third business day following the investment.

Transactions in Fund shares may be subject to postage and handling charges imposed by your dealer.

PURCHASE BY WIRE. For an initial purchase of shares of the Fund by wire, you must first telephone PMFS to receive an account number at (800) 225-1852 (toll-free). The following information will be requested: your name, address, tax identification number, class election, dividend distribution election, amount being wired and wiring bank. Instructions should then be given by you to your bank to transfer funds by wire to State Street Bank and Trust Company (State Street), Boston, Massachusetts, Custody and Shareholder Services Division, Attention: Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc., specifying on the wire the account number assigned by PMFS and your name and identifying the sales charge alternative (Class A, Class B, Class C or Class Z shares).

If you arrange for receipt by State Street of federal funds prior to the calculation of NAV $(4:15\ P.M.,\ New\ York\ time)$, on a business day, you may purchase shares of the Fund as of that day. See "Net Asset Value" in the Statement of Additional Information.

In making a subsequent purchase order by wire, you should wire State Street directly and should be sure that the wire specifies Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc., Class A, Class B, Class C or Class Z shares and your name and individual account number. It is not necessary to call PMFS to make subsequent purchase orders utilizing federal funds. The minimum amount which may be invested by wire is \$1,000.

ALTERNATIVE PURCHASE PLAN

THE FUND OFFERS FOUR CLASSES OF SHARES (CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C AND CLASS Z SHARES) WHICH ALLOWS YOU TO CHOOSE THE MOST BENEFICIAL SALES CHARGE STRUCTURE FOR YOUR INDIVIDUAL CIRCUMSTANCES GIVEN THE AMOUNT OF THE PURCHASE, THE LENGTH OF TIME YOU EXPECT TO HOLD THE SHARES AND OTHER RELEVANT CIRCUMSTANCES (ALTERNATIVE PURCHASE PLAN).

<TABLE> <CAPTION>

	SALES CHARGE	(AS A % OF AVERAGE DAILY NET ASSETS)	OTHER INFORMATION
<s> CLASS A</s>	<c> Maximum initial sales charge of 5% of</c>	<c> .30 of 1% (Currently</c>	<c> Initial sales charge waived or reduced</c>
CLASS B	the public offering price Maximum contingent deferred sales	being charged at a rate of .25 of 1%)	for certain purchases Shares convert to Class A shares

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charge or CDSC of 5% of the lesser of the amount invested or the redemption proceeds; declines to zero after six vears

Maximum CDSC of 1% of the lesser of the $\,$ 1% amount invested or the redemption proceeds on redemptions made within one

year of purchase

CLASS Z None None

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CLASS C

Shares do not convert to another class

purchase

approximately seven years after

Sold to a limited group of investors

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Each class represents an interest in the same assets of the Fund and is identical in all respects except that (i) each class is subject to different sales charges and distribution and/or service fees (except for Class Z shares, which are not subject to any sales charge or distribution and/or service fee), which may affect performance, (ii) each class has exclusive voting rights on any matter submitted to shareholders that relates solely to its arrangements and has separate voting rights on any matter submitted to shareholders in which the interests of one class differ from the interest of any other class, (iii) each class has a different exchange privilege, (iv) only Class B shares have a conversion feature and (v) Class Z shares are offered exclusively for sale to a limited group of investors. See "How to Exchange Your Shares" below. The income attributable to each class and the dividends payable on the shares of each class will be reduced by the amount of the distribution fee (if any) of each class. Class B and Class C shares bear the expenses of a higher distribution fee which will generally cause them to have higher expense ratios and to pay lower dividends than the Class A and Class Z shares.

Financial advisers and other sales agents who sell shares of the Fund will receive different compensation for selling Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z shares and will generally receive more compensation initially for selling Class A and Class B shares than for selling Class C or Class Z shares.

IN SELECTING A PURCHASE ALTERNATIVE, YOU SHOULD CONSIDER, AMONG OTHER THINGS, (1) the length of time you expect to hold your investment, (2) the amount of any applicable sales charge (whether imposed at the time of purchase or redemption) and distribution-related fees, as noted above, (3) whether you qualify for any reduction or waiver of any applicable sales charge, (4) the various exchange privileges among the different classes of shares (see "How to Exchange Your Shares" below) and (5) the fact that Class B shares automatically convert to Class A shares approximately seven years after purchase (see "Conversion Feature -- Class B Shares " below) .

The following is provided to assist you in determining which method of purchase best suits your individual circumstances and is based on current fees and expenses being charged to the Fund:

If you intend to hold your investment in the Fund for less than 7 years and do not qualify for a reduced sales charge on Class A shares, since Class A shares are subject to a maximum initial sales charge of 5% and Class B shares are subject to a CDSC of 5% which declines to zero over a 6 year period, you should consider purchasing Class C shares over either Class A or Class B shares.

If you intend to hold your investment for 7 years or more and do not qualify for a reduced sales charge on Class A shares, since Class B shares convert to a Class A shares approximately 7 years after purchase and because all of your money would be invested initially in the case of Class B shares, you should consider purchasing Class B shares over either Class A or Class C shares.

If you qualify for a reduced sales charge on Class A shares, it may be more advantageous for you to purchase Class A shares over either Class B or Class ${\tt C}$ shares regardless of how long you intend to hold your investment. However, unlike Class B and Class C shares, you would not have all of your money invested initially because the sales charge on Class A shares is deducted at the time of purchase.

If you do not qualify for a reduced sales charge on Class A shares and you purchase Class B or Class C shares, you would have to hold your investment for more than 6 years in the case of Class B shares and Class C shares for the higher cumulative annual distribution-related fee on those shares to exceed the initial sales charge plus cumulative annual distribution-related fee on Class A shares. This does not take into account the time value of money, which further reduces the impact of the higher Class B or Class C distribution-related fee on the investment, fluctuations in net asset value, the effect of the return on the investment over this period of time or redemptions when the CDSC is applicable.

ALL PURCHASES OF \$1 MILLION OR MORE EITHER AS PART OF A SINGLE INVESTMENT OR

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CLASS A SHARES

The offering price of Class A shares for investors choosing the initial sales charge alternative is the next determined NAV plus a sales charge (expressed as a percentage of the offering price and of the amount invested) as shown in the following table:

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AMOUNT OF PURCHASE	SALES CHARGE AS PERCENTAGE OF OFFERING PRICE	SALES CHARGE AS PERCENTAGE OF AMOUNT INVESTED	DEALER CONCESSION AS PERCENTAGE OF OFFERING PRICE
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
\$0 to \$24,999	5.00%	5.26	4.75%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	4.50	4.71	4.25
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4.00	4.17	3.75
\$100,000 to \$249,000	3.25	3.36	3.00
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2.50	2.56	2.40
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2.00	2.04	1.90
\$1,000,000 and above	None	None	None

The Distributor may reallow the entire initial sales charge to dealers. Selling dealers may be deemed to be underwriters, as that term is defined in the Securities Act.

In connection with the sale of Class A shares at NAV (without payment of an initial sales charge), the Manager, the Distributor or one of their affiliates will pay dealers, financial advisers and other persons which distribute shares a finders' fee based on a percentage of the net asset value of shares sold by such persons.

REDUCTION AND WAIVER OF INITIAL SALES CHARGES. Reduced sales charges are available through Rights of Accumulation and Letters of Intent. Shares of the Fund and shares of other Prudential Mutual Funds (excluding money market funds other than those acquired pursuant to the exchange privilege) may be aggregated to determine the applicable reduction. See "Purchase and Redemption of Fund Shares--Reduction and Waiver of Initial Sales Charges--Class A Shares" in the Statement of Additional Information.

BENEFIT PLANS. Class A shares may be purchased at NAV, without payment of an initial sales charge, by pension, profit-sharing or other employee benefit plans qualified under Section 401 of the Code and deferred compensation and annuity plans under Sections 457 and 403(b)(7) of the Code (collectively, Benefit Plans), provided that the Benefit Plan has existing assets of at least \$1 million invested in shares of Prudential Mutual Funds (excluding money market funds other than those acquired pursuant to the exchange privilege) or 250 eligible employees or participants. In the case of Benefit Plans whose accounts are held directly with the Transfer Agent or Prudential Securities and for which the Transfer Agent or Prudential Securities does individual account recordkeeping (Direct Account Benefit Plans) and Benefit Plans sponsored by PSI or its subsidiaries (PSI or Subsidiary Prototype Benefit Plans), Class A shares may be purchased at NAV by participants who are repaying loans made from such plans to the participant.

PRUARRAY AND SMARTPATH PLANS. Class A shares may be purchased at NAV by certain savings, retirement and deferred compensation plans, qualified or non-qualified under the Code, including pension, profit-sharing, stock-bonus or other employee benefit plans under Section 401 of the Code and deferred compensation and annuity plans under Sections 457 and 403(b)(7) of the Code that participate in the Prudential's PruArray or SmartPath Programs (benefit plan recordkeeping services) (hereafter referred to as a PruArray or SmartPath Plan); provided (i) that the plan has at least \$1 million in existing assets or 250 eligible employees or participants and (ii) that Prudential Mutual Funds constitute at least one-half of the plan's investment options. The term "existing assets" for this purpose includes stock issued by a PruArray or SmartPath Plan sponsor, shares of non-money market Prudential Mutual Funds and shares of certain unaffiliated non-money market mutual funds that participate in the PruArray Program (Participating Funds). "Existing assets" also include shares of money market funds acquired by exchange from a Participating Fund.

PRUARRAY ASSOCIATION BENEFIT PLANS. Class A shares are also offered at net asset value to Benefit Plans or non-qualified plans sponsored by employers which are members of a common trade, professional or membership association ("Association") that participate in the PruArray Program provided that the Association enters into a written agreement with Prudential. Such Benefit Plans or non-qualified plans may purchase Class A shares at net asset value without regard to the assets or number of participants in the individual employer's qualified Plan(s) or non-qualified plans so long as the employers in the Association (i) have retirement plan assets in the aggregate of at least \$1 million or 250 participants in the aggregate and (ii) maintain their accounts with the Fund's transfer agent.

PRUARRAY SAVINGS PROGRAM. Class A shares are also offered at net asset value to employees of companies that enter into a written agreement with Prudential Retirement Services to participate in the PruArray Savings Program. Under this Program, a limited number of Prudential Mutual Funds are available for purchase at net asset value by Individual Retirement Accounts and Savings Accumulation Plans of the company's employees. The Program is available only to (i) employees who open an IRA or Savings Accumulation Plan account with the Fund's transfer agent and (ii) spouses of employees who open an IRA account with the Fund's transfer agent. The program is offered to companies that have at least 250 eligible employees.

SPECIAL RULES APPLICABLE TO RETIREMENT PLANS. After a Benefit Plan or PruArray or SmartPath Plan qualifies to purchase Class A shares at NAV, all subsequent purchases will be made at NAV.

OTHER WAIVERS. In addition, Class A shares may be purchased at NAV, through Prudential Securities or the Transfer Agent, by the following persons: (a) officers and current and former Directors/Trustees of the Prudential Mutual Funds (including the Fund), (b) employees of Prudential Securities and PMF and their subsidiaries and members of the families of such persons who maintain an "employee related" account at Prudential Securities or the Transfer Agent, (c) employees and special agents of Prudential and its subsidiaries and all persons who have retired directly from active service with Prudential or one of its subsidiaries, (d) registered representatives and employees of dealers who have entered into a selected dealer agreement with Prudential Securities provided that purchases at NAV are permitted by such person's employer and (e) investors who have a business relationship with a financial adviser who joined Prudential Securities from another investment firm, provided that (i) the purchase is made within 180 days of the commencement of the financial adviser's employment at Prudential Securities, or within one year in the case of Benefit Plans, (ii) the purchase is made with proceeds of a redemption of shares of any open-end, market fund sponsored by the financial adviser's previous employer (other than a money market fund or other no-load fund which imposes a distribution or service fee of .25 of 1% or less) and (iii) the financial adviser served as the client's broker on the previous purchases.

You must notify the Transfer Agent either directly or through Prudential Securities or Prusec that you are entitled to the reduction or waiver of the sales charge. The reduction or waiver will be granted subject to confirmation of your entitlement. No initial sales charges are imposed upon Class A shares acquired upon the reinvestment of dividends and distributions. See "Purchase and Redemption of Fund Shares—Reduction and Waiver of Initial Sales Charges—-Class A Shares" in the Statement of Additional Information.

CLASS B AND CLASS C SHARES

The offering price of Class B and Class C shares for investors choosing one of the deferred sales charge alternatives is the NAV next determined following receipt of an order by the Transfer Agent, Prudential Securities or Prusec. Although there is no sales charge imposed at the time of purchase, redemption of Class B and Class C shares may be subject to a CDSC. See "How to Sell Your Shares--Contingent Deferred Sales Charges." The Distributor will pay sales commissions of up to 4% of the purchase price of Class B shares to dealers, financial advisers and other persons who sell Class B shares at the time of sale from its own resources. This facilitates the ability of the Fund to sell the Class B shares without an initial sales charge being deducted at the time of purchase. The Distributor anticipates that it will recoup its advancement of sales commissions from the combination of the

CDSC and the distribution fee. See "Distributor" in connection with the sale of Class C shares. The Distributor will pay dealers, financial advisers and other persons which distribute Class C shares a sales commission of up to 1% of the purchase price at the time of the sale.

CLASS Z SHARES

Class Z shares are available for purchase by: (i) pension, profit sharing or other employee benefit plans qualified under Section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code, deferred compensation and annuity plans under Section 457 and 403(b)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, and non-qualified plans for which the Fund is an available option (collectively Benefit Plans), provided such Benefit Plans (in combination with other plans sponsored by the same employer or group of related employers) have at least \$50 million in defined contribution assets; (ii) participants in any fee-based program sponsored by Prudential Securities or its affiliates which includes mutual funds as investment options and for which the Fund is an available option and (iii) investors who were, or had executed a letter of intent to become, shareholders of any series of Prudential Dryden Fund (Dryden Fund) on or before one or more series of Dryden Fund reorganized or who on that date had investments in certain products for which Dryden Fund provided exchangeability. After a Benefit Plan qualifies to purchase Class Z shares, all subsequent purchases will be for Class Z shares.

In connection with the sale of Class Z shares, the Manager, the Distributor or one of their affiliates may pay dealers, financial advisers and other persons which distribute shares a finders' fee based on a percentage of the net asset value of shares sold by such persons.

For more information about Class Z shares, contact your Prudential Securities financial adviser or Prusec representative or telephone the Fund at (800) 225-1852. Participants in programs sponsored by Prudential Retirement Services should contact their client representative for more information about Class Z shares

HOW TO SELL YOUR SHARES

YOU CAN REDEEM SHARES OF THE FUND AT ANY TIME FOR CASH AT THE NAV PER SHARE NEXT DETERMINED AFTER THE REDEMPTION REQUEST IS RECEIVED IN PROPER FORM BY THE TRANSFER AGENT OR PRODENTIAL SECURITIES. See "How the Fund Values its Shares." In certain cases, however, redemption proceeds will be reduced by the amount of any applicable CDSC, as described below. See "Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" below.

IF YOU HOLD SHARES OF THE FUND THROUGH PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES, YOU MUST REDEEM YOUR SHARES BY CONTACTING YOUR PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES FINANCIAL ADVISER. IF YOU HOLD SHARES IN NON-CERTIFICATE FORM, A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR REDEMPTION SIGNED BY YOU EXACTLY AS THE ACCOUNT IS REGISTERED IS REQUIRED. IF YOU HOLD CERTIFICATES, THE CERTIFICATES, SIGNED IN THE NAME(S) SHOWN ON THE FACE OF THE CERTIFICATES, MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE TRANSFER AGENT IN ORDER FOR THE REDEMPTION REQUEST TO BE PROCESSED. IF REDEMPTION IS REQUESTED BY A CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, TRUST OR FIDUCIARY, WRITTEN EVIDENCE OF AUTHORITY ACCEPTABLE TO THE TRANSFER AGENT MUST BE SUBMITTED BEFORE SUCH REQUEST WILL BE ACCEPTED. All correspondence and documents concerning redemptions should be sent to the Fund in care of its Transfer Agent, Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc., Attention: Redemption Services, P.O. Box 15010, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08906-5010.

If the proceeds of the redemption (a) exceed \$50,000, (b) are to be paid to a person other than the record owner, (c) are to be sent to an address other than the address on the Transfer Agent's records, or (d) are to be paid to a corporation, partnership, trust or fiduciary, the signature(s) on the redemption request and on the certificates, if any, or stock power must be guaranteed by an "eligible guarantor institution." An "eligible guarantor institution" includes any bank, broker, dealer or credit union. The Transfer Agent reserves the right to request additional information from, and make reasonable inquiries of, any eligible guarantor institution. For clients of Prusec, a signature guarantee may be obtained from the agency or office manager of most Prudential Insurance and Financial Services or Prudential Preferred Financial Services offices.

PAYMENT FOR SHARES PRESENTED FOR REDEMPTION WILL BE MADE BY CHECK WITHIN SEVEN DAYS AFTER RECEIPT BY THE TRANSFER AGENT OF THE CERTIFICATE AND/OR WRITTEN REQUEST EXCEPT AS INDICATED BELOW. IF YOU HOLD SHARES THROUGH PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES, PAYMENT FOR SHARES PRESENTED FOR REDEMPTION WILL BE CREDITED TO YOUR PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES ACCOUNT, UNLESS YOU INDICATE OTHERWISE. Such payment may be postponed or the right of redemption suspended at times (a) when the New York Stock Exchange is closed for other than customary weekends and holidays, (b) when trading on such Exchange is restricted, (c) when an emergency exists as a result of which disposal by the Fund of securities owned by it is not reasonably practicable or it is not reasonably practicable for the Fund fairly to determine the value of its net assets, or (d) during any other period when the SEC, by order, so permits; provided that applicable rules and regulations of the SEC shall govern as to whether the conditions prescribed in (b) (c) or (d) exist.

PAYMENT FOR REDEMPTION OF RECENTLY PURCHASED SHARES WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FUND OR ITS TRANSFER AGENT HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT THE PURCHASE CHECK HAS BEEN HONORED, UP TO 10 CALENDAR DAYS FROM THE TIME OF RECEIPT OF THE PURCHASE CHECK BY THE TRANSFER AGENT. SUCH DELAY MAY BE AVOIDED BY PURCHASING SHARES BY WIRE OR BY CERTIFIED OR OFFICIAL BANK CHECK.

REDEMPTION IN KIND. If the Board of Directors determines that it would be detrimental to the best interests of the remaining shareholders of the Fund to make payment wholly or partly in cash, the Fund may pay the redemption price in whole or in part by a distribution in kind of securities from the investment portfolio of the Fund, in lieu of cash, in conformity with applicable rules of the SEC. Securities will be readily marketable and will be valued in the same manner as a regular redemption. See "How the Fund Values its Shares." If your shares are redeemed in kind, you would incur transaction costs in converting the assets into cash. The Fund has, however, elected to be governed by Rule 18f-1 under the Investment Company Act, under which the Fund is obligated to redeem shares solely in cash up to the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of the net asset value of the Fund during the 90-day period for any one shareholder.

INVOLUNTARY REDEMPTION. In order to reduce expenses of the Fund, the Board of Directors may redeem all of the shares of any shareholder, other than a shareholder which is an IRA or other tax-deferred retirement plan, whose account has a net asset value of less than \$500 due to a redemption. The Fund will give any such shareholder 60 days' prior written notice in which to purchase sufficient additional shares to avoid such redemption. No CDSC will be imposed on any such involuntary redemption.

90-DAY REPURCHASE PRIVILEGE. If you redeem your shares and have not previously exercised the repurchase privilege, you may reinvest any portion or all of the proceeds of such redemption in shares of the Fund at the net asset value next determined after the order is received, which must be within 90 days after the date of the redemption. Any contingent deferred sales charge or CDSC paid in connection with such redemption will be credited (in shares) to your account. If less than a full repurchase is made, the credit will be on a PRO RATA basis. You must notify the Fund's Transfer Agent, either directly or through Prudential Securities, at the time the repurchase privilege is exercised to adjust your account for the CDSC you previously paid. Thereafter, any redemptions will be subject to the CDSC applicable at the time of the redemption. See "Contingent Deferred Sales Charge" below. Exercise of the repurchase privilege may affect federal tax treatment of any gain realized upon redemption. For more information on the rule which disallows a loss on the sale or exchange of shares of the Portfolio which are replaced, see "Taxes, Dividends and Distributions.

CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGES

Redemptions of Class B shares will be subject to a contingent deferred sales charge or CDSC declining from 5% to zero over a six-year period. Class C shares redeemed within one year of purchase will be subject to a 1% CDSC. The CDSC will be deducted from the redemption proceeds and reduce the amount paid to you. The CDSC will be imposed on any redemption by you which reduces the current value of your Class B or Class C shares to an amount which is lower than the amount of all payments by you for shares during the preceding six years, in the case of Class B shares, and one year, in the case of Class C shares. A CDSC will be applied on the lesser of the original purchase price or the current value of the shares being redeemed. Increases in the value of

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your shares or shares acquired through reinvestment of dividends or distributions are not subject to a CDSC. The amount of any contingent deferred sales charge will be paid to and retained by the Distributor. See "How the Fund is Managed--Distributor" and "Waiver of the Contingent Deferred Sales Charges--Class B Shares."

The amount of the CDSC, if any, will vary depending on the number of years from the time of payment for the purchase of shares until the time of redemption

of such shares. Solely for purposes of determining the number of years from the time of any payment for the purchase of shares, all payments during a month will be aggregated and deemed to have been made on the last day of the month. The CDSC will be calculated from the first day of the month after the initial purchase, excluding the time shares were held in a money market fund. See "How to Exchange Your Shares."

The following table sets forth the rates of the CDSC applicable to redemptions of Class B shares:

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YEAR SINCE PURCHASE PAYMENT MADE	OF DOLLARS INVESTED OR REDEMPTION PROCEEDS
<s></s>	<c></c>
First	
Second	
Third	
Fourth	
Fifth	
Sixth	
Seventh	None

 |CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES

In determining whether a CDSC is applicable to a redemption, the calculation will be made in a manner that results in the lowest possible rate. It will be assumed that the redemption is made first of amounts representing shares acquired pursuant to the reinvestment of dividends and distributions; then of amounts representing the increase in net asset value above the total amount of payments for the purchase of Class B shares made during the preceding six years; then of amounts representing the cost of shares held beyond the applicable CDSC period; and finally, of amounts representing the cost of shares held for the longest period of time within the applicable CDSC period.

For example, assume you purchased 100 Class B shares at \$10 per share for a cost of \$1,000. Subsequently, you acquired 5 additional Class B shares through dividend reinvestment. During the second year after the purchase you decided to redeem \$500 of your investment. Assuming at the time of the redemption the NAV had appreciated to \$12 per share, the value of your Class B shares would be \$1,260 (105 shares at \$12 per share). The CDSC would not be applied to the value of the reinvested dividend shares and the amount which represents appreciation (\$260). Therefore, \$240 of the \$500 redemption proceeds (\$500 minus \$260) would be charged at a rate of \$4% (the applicable rate in the second year after purchase) for a total CDSC of \$9.60.

For federal income tax purposes, the amount of the CDSC will reduce the gain or increase the loss, as the case may be, on the amount recognized on the redemotion of shares.

WAIVER OF THE CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGES--CLASS B SHARES. The CDSC will be waived in the case of a redemption following the death or disability of a shareholder or, in the case of a trust account, following the death or disability of the grantor. The waiver is available for total or partial redemptions of shares owned by a person, either individually or in joint tenancy (with rights of survivorship), or a trust, at the time of death or initial determination of disability, provided that the shares were purchased prior to death or disability.

The CDSC will also be waived in the case of a total or partial redemption in connection with certain distributions made without penalty under the Internal Revenue Code from a tax-deferred retirement plan, an IRA or Section 403(b) custodial account. These distributions include: (i) in the case of a tax-deferred retirement plan, a lump-sum or other distribution after retirement: (ii) in the case of an IRA or Section 403(b) custodial account, a lump-sum or other distribution after attaining age 59 1/2; and (iii) a tax-free

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return of an excess contribution or plan distributions following the death or disability of the shareholder, provided that the shares were purchased prior to death or disability. The waiver does not apply in the case of a tax-free rollover or transfer of assets, other than one following a separation from service (I.E., following voluntary or involuntary termination of employment or following retirement). Under no circumstances will the CDSC be waived on redemptions resulting from the termination of a tax-deferred retirement plan, unless such redemptions otherwise qualify for a waiver as described above. In the case of Direct Account and PSI or Subsidiary Prototype Benefit Plans, the CDSC will be waived on redemptions which represent borrowings from such plans. Shares purchased with amounts used to repay a loan from such plans on which a CDSC was not previously deducted will thereafter be subject to a CDSC without

regard to the time such amounts were previously invested. In the case of a 401(k) plan, the CDSC will also be waived upon the redemption of shares purchased with amounts used to repay loans made from the account to the participant and from which a CDSC was previously deducted.

In addition, the CDSC will be waived on redemptions of shares held by Directors of the $\operatorname{Fund}\nolimits.$

You must notify the Transfer Agent either directly or through Prudential Securities or Prusec, at the time of redemption, that you are entitled to waiver of the CDSC and provide the Transfer Agent with such supporting documentation as it may deem appropriate. The waiver will be granted subject to confirmation of your entitlement. See "Purchase and Redemption of Fund Shares--Waiver of the Contingent Deferred Sales Charge--Class B Shares" in the Statement of Additional Information.

A quantity discount may apply to redemptions of Class B shares purchased prior to August 1, 1994. See "Purchase and Redemption of Fund Shares--Quantity Discount--Class B Shares Purchased Prior to August 1, 1994" in the Statement of Additional Information.

CONVERSION FEATURE--CLASS B SHARES

Class B shares will automatically convert to Class A shares approximately seven years after purchase. Conversions will be effected at relative net asset value without the imposition of any additional sales charge. The first conversion of Class B shares occurred in February 1995, when the conversion feature was first implemented.

Since the Fund tracks amounts paid rather than the number of shares bought on each purchase of Class B shares, the number of Class B shares eligible to convert to Class A shares (excluding shares acquired through the automatic reinvestment of dividends and other distributions) (the Eligible Shares) will be determined on each conversion date in accordance with the following formula; (i) the ratio of (a) the amounts paid for Class B shares purchased at least seven years prior to the conversion date to (b) the total amount paid for all Class B shares purchased and then held in your account (ii) multiplied by the total number of Class B shares purchased and then held in your account. Each time any Eligible Shares in your account convert to Class A shares, all shares or amounts representing Class B shares then in your account that were acquired through the automatic reinvestment of dividends and other distributions will convert to Class A shares.

For purposes of determining the number of Eligible Shares, if the Class B shares in your account on any conversion date are the result of multiple purchases at different net asset values per share, the number of Eligible Shares calculated as described above will generally be either more or less than the number of shares actually purchased approximately seven years before such conversion date. For example, if 100 shares were initially purchased at \$10 per share (for a total of \$1,000) and a second purchase of 100 shares was subsequently made at \$11 per share (for a total of \$1,100), 95.24 shares would convert approximately seven years from the initial purchase (I.E., \$1,000 divided by \$2,100 (47.62%) multiplied by 200 shares equals 95.24 shares). The Manager reserves the right to modify the formula for determining the number of Eligible Shares in the future as it deems appropriate on notice to shareholders.

Since annual distribution-related fees are lower for Class A shares than Class B shares, the per share net asset value of the Class A shares may be higher than that of the Class B shares at the time of conversion. Thus, although the aggregate dollar value will be the same, you may receive fewer Class A shares than Class B shares converted. See "How the Fund Values its Shares."

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For purposes of calculating the applicable holding period for conversions, all payments for Class B shares during a month will be deemed to have been made on the last day of the month, or for Class B shares acquired through exchange, or a series of exchanges, on the last day of the month in which the original payment for purchases of such Class B shares was made. For Class B shares previously exchanged for shares of a money market fund, the time period during which such shares were held in the money market fund will be excluded. For example, Class B shares until approximately seven years from purchase. For purposes of measuring the time period during which shares are held in a money market fund, exchanges will be deemed to have been made on the last day of the month. Class B shares acquired through exchange will convert to Class A shares after expiration of the conversion period applicable to the original purchase of such shares.

The conversion feature may be subject to the continuing availability of opinions of counsel or rulings of the Internal Revenue Service (i) that the dividends and other distributions paid on Class A, Class B, and Class C shares will not constitute "preferential dividends" under the Internal Revenue Code and (ii) that the conversion of shares does not constitute a taxable event. The

conversion of Class B shares into Class A shares may be suspended if such opinions or rulings are no longer available. If conversions are suspended, Class B shares of the Fund will continue to be subject, possibly indefinitely, to their higher annual distribution and service fee.

HOW TO EXCHANGE YOUR SHARES

AS A SHAREHOLDER OF THE FUND YOU HAVE AN EXCHANGE PRIVILEGE WITH CERTAIN OTHER PRUDENTIAL MUTUAL FUNDS, INCLUDING ONE OR MORE SPECIFIED MONEY MARKET FUNDS, SUBJECT TO THE MINIMUM INVESTMENT REQUIREMENTS OF SUCH FUNDS. CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C AND CLASS Z SHARES MAY BE EXCHANGED FOR CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C AND CLASS Z SHARES, RESPECTIVELY, OF ANOTHER FUND ON THE BASIS OF THE RELATIVE NAV. No sales charge will be imposed at the time of the exchange. Any applicable CDSC payable upon the redemption of shares exchanged will be that imposed by the fund in which shares are initially purchased and will be calculated from the first day of the month after the initial purchase, excluding the time shares were held in a money market fund. Class B and Class C shares may not be exchanged into money market funds other than Prudential Special Money Market Fund, Inc. For purposes of calculating the holding period applicable to the Class B conversion feature, the time period during which Class B shares were held in a money market fund will be excluded. See "Conversion Feature--Class B Shares" above. An exchange will be treated as a redemption and purchase for tax purposes. See "Shareholder Investment Account--Exchange Privilege" in the Statement of Additional Information.

IN ORDER TO EXCHANGE SHARES BY TELEPHONE, YOU MUST AUTHORIZE TELEPHONE EXCHANGES ON YOUR INITIAL APPLICATION FORM OR BY WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE TRANSFER AGENT AND HOLD SHARES IN NON-CERTIFICATE FORM. Thereafter, you may call the Fund at (800) 225-1852 to execute a telephone exchange of shares, on weekdays, except holidays, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M., New York time. For your protection and to prevent fraudulent exchanges, your telephone call will be recorded and you will be asked to provide your personal identification number. A written confirmation of the exchange transaction will be sent to you. NEITHER THE FUND NOR ITS AGENTS WILL BE LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS, LIABILITY OR COST WHICH RESULTS FROM ACTING UPON INSTRUCTIONS REASONABLY BELIEVED TO BE GENUINE UNDER THE FOREGOING PROCEDURES. (THE FUND OR ITS AGENTS COULD BE SUBJECT TO LIABILITY IF THEY FAIL TO EMPLOY REASONABLE PROCEDURES.) ALL EXCHANGES WILL BE MADE ON THE BASIS OF THE RELATIVE NAV OF THE TWO FUNDS NEXT DETERMINED AFTER THE REQUEST IS RECEIVED IN GOOD ORDER. THE EXCHANGE PRIVILEGE IS AVAILABLE ONLY IN STATES WHERE THE EXCHANGE MAY LEGALLY BE MADE.

IF YOU HOLD SHARES THROUGH PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES, YOU MUST EXCHANGE YOUR SHARES BY CONTACTING YOUR PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES FINANCIAL ADVISER.

IF YOU HOLD CERTIFICATES, THE CERTIFICATES, SIGNED IN THE NAME(S) SHOWN ON THE FACE OF THE CERTIFICATES, MUST BE RETURNED IN ORDER FOR THE SHARES TO BE EXCHANGED. SEE "HOW TO SELL YOUR SHARES" ABOVE.

You may also exchange shares by mail by writing to Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc., Attention: Exchange Processing, P.O. Box 15010, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08906-5010.

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IN PERIODS OF SEVERE MARKET OR ECONOMIC CONDITIONS THE TELEPHONE EXCHANGE OF SHARES MAY BE DIFFICULT TO IMPLEMENT AND YOU SHOULD MAKE EXCHANGES BY MAIL BY WRITING TO PRUDENTIAL MUTUAL FUND SERVICES, INC., AT THE ADDRESS NOTED ABOVE.

SPECIAL EXCHANGE PRIVILEGE. A special exchange privilege is available for shareholders who qualify to purchase Class A shares at NAV, (see "Alternative Purchase Plan--Class A Shares--Reduction and Waiver of Initial Sales Charges" above.) and for shareholders who qualify to purchase Class Z shares, (see "Alternative Purchase Plan--Class Z Shares" above). Under this exchange privilege, amounts representing any Class B and Class C shares (which are not subject to a CDSC) held in such a shareholder's account will be automatically exchanged for Class A shares on a quarterly basis, unless the shareholder elects otherwise. Eligibility for this exchange privilege will be calculated on the business day prior to the date of the exchange. Amounts representing Class B or Class C shares which are not subject to a CDSC include the following: (1) amounts representing Class B or Class C shares acquired pursuant to the automatic reinvestment of dividends and distributions, (2) amounts representing the increase in the net asset value above the total amount of payments for the purchase of Class B or Class C shares and (3) amounts representing Class B or Class C shares held beyond the applicable CDSC period. Class B and Class C shareholders must notify the Transfer Agent either directly or through Prudential Securities or Prusec that they are eligible for this special exchange privilege.

Participants in any fee-based program for which the Fund is an available option will have their Class A shares, if any, exchanged for Class Z shares when they elect to have those assets become a part of the fee-based program. Upon leaving the program (whether voluntarily or not), such Class Z shares (and, to the extent provided for in the program, Class Z shares acquired through participation in the program) will be exchanged for Class A shares at net asset value. Similarly, participants in PSI's 401(k) Plan, an employee benefit plan sponsored by Prudential Securities Incorporated (the PSI 401(k) Plan), for which the Fund's Class Z shares are an available option and who wish to transfer their Class Z shares out of the PSI 401(k) Plan following separation of service (I.E., voluntary or involuntary termination of employment or retirement) will have their Class Z shares exchanged for Class A shares at net asset value.

The Fund reserves the right to reject any exchange order including exchanges (and market timing transactions) which are of a size and/or frequency engaged in by one or more accounts acting in concert or otherwise, that have or may have an adverse effect on the ability of the Subadviser to manage the portfolio. The determination that such exchanges or activity may have an adverse effect and the determination to reject any exchange order shall be in the discretion of the Manager and the Subadviser.

The Exchange Privilege is not a right and may be suspended, modified or terminated at any time upon $60~{\rm days'}$ written notice.

SHAREHOLDER SERVICES

In addition to the exchange privilege, as a shareholder in the Fund, you can take advantage of the following additional services and privileges:

- AUTOMATIC REINVESTMENT OF DIVIDENDS AND/OR DISTRIBUTIONS WITHOUT A SALES CHARGE. For your convenience, all dividends and distributions are automatically reinvested in full and fractional shares of the Fund at NAV without a sales charge. You may direct the Transfer Agent in writing not less than 5 full business days prior to the record date to have subsequent dividends and/or distributions sent in cash rather than reinvested. If you hold shares through Prudential Securities, you should contact your financial adviser.
- AUTOMATIC SAVINGS ACCUMULATION PLAN (ASAP). Under ASAP you may make regular purchases of the Fund's shares in amounts as little as \$50 via an automatic debit to a bank account or Prudential Securities account (including a Command Account). For additional information about this service, you may contact your Prudential Securities financial adviser, Prusec representative or the Transfer Agent directly.
- TAX-DEFERRED RETIREMENT PLANS. Various tax-deferred retirement plans, including a 401(k) plan, self-directed individual retirement accounts and "tax-sheltered accounts" under Section 403(b)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code are available through the

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Distributor. These plans are for use by both self-employed individuals and corporate employers. These plans permit either self-direction of accounts by participants, or a pooled account arrangement. Information regarding the establishment of these plans, the administration, custodial fees and other details is available from Prudential Securities or the Transfer Agent. If you are considering adopting such a plan, you should consult with your own legal or tax adviser with respect to the establishment and maintenance of such a plan.

- SYSTEMATIC WITHDRAWAL PLAN. A systematic withdrawal plan is available to shareholders which provides for monthly or quarterly checks. Withdrawals of Class B and Class C shares may be subject to a CDSC. See "How to Sell Your Shares-- Contingent Deferred Sales Charges." See also "Shareholder Investment Account--Systematic Withdrawal Plan" in the Statement of Additional Information.
- REPORTS TO SHAREHOLDERS. The Fund will send you annual and semi-annual reports. The financial statements appearing in annual reports are audited by independent accountants. In order to reduce duplicate mailing and printing expenses, the Fund will provide one annual and semi-annual shareholder report and annual prospectus per household. You may request additional copies of such reports by calling (800) 225-1852 (toll-free) or by writing to the Fund at Gateway Center Three, 100 Mulberry Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102-4077. In addition, monthly unaudited financial data are available upon request from the Fund.
- SHAREHOLDER INQUIRIES. Inquiries should be addressed to the Fund at Gateway Center Three, 100 Mulberry Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102-4077, or by

telephone, at (800) 225-1852 (toll-free) or, from outside the U.S.A. at (908) 417-7555 (collect).

For additional information regarding the services and privileges described above, see "Shareholder Investment Account" in the Statement of Additional Information.

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DESCRIPTION OF SECURITY RATINGS

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AAA: Bonds which are rated Aaa are judged to be of the best quality. They carry the smallest degree of investment risk and are generally referred to as "gilt edge." Interest payments are protected by a large or by an exceptionally stable margin and principal is secure. While the various protective elements are likely to change, such changes as can be visualized are most unlikely to impair the fundamentally strong position of such issues.

AA: Bonds which are rated Aa are judged to be of high quality by all standards. Together with the Aaa group they comprise what are generally known as high grade bonds. They are rated lower than Aaa bonds because margins of protection may not be as large as in Aaa securities or fluctuations of protective elements may be of greater amplitude or there may be other elements present which make the long-term risks appear somewhat larger than in Aaa securities.

A: Bonds which are rated A possess many favorable investment attributes and are to be considered as upper medium grade obligations. Factors giving security to principal and interest are considered adequate but elements may be present which suggest a susceptibility to impairment sometime in the future.

BAA: Bonds which are rated Baa are considered as medium grade obligations, I.E., they are neither highly protected nor poorly secured. Interest payments and principal security appear adequate for the present but certain protective elements may be lacking or may be characteristically unreliable over any great length of time. Such bonds lack outstanding investment characteristics and in fact have speculative characteristics as well.

BA: Bonds which are rated Ba are judged to have speculative elements; their future cannot be considered as well assured. Often the protection of interest and principal payments may be very moderate and thereby not well safeguarded during both good and bad times over the future. Uncertainty of position characterizes bonds in this class.

B: Bonds which are rated B generally lack characteristics of the desirable investment. Assurance of interest and principal payments or of maintenance of other terms of the contract over any long period of time may be small.

CAA: Bonds which are rated Caa are of poor standing. Such issues may be in default or there may be present elements of danger with respect to principal or interest.

CA: Bonds which are rated Ca represent obligations which are speculative in a high degree. Such issues are often in default or have other marked shortcomings.

C: Bonds which are rated C are the lowest rated class of bonds, and issues so rated can be regarded as having extremely poor prospects of ever attaining any real investment standing.

COMMERCIAL PAPER

Moody's commercial paper ratings are opinions of the ability of issuers to repay punctually promissory obligations not having an original maturity in excess of nine months.

- P-1: The designation "Prime-1" or "P-1" indicates the highest quality repayment capacity of the rated issue.
- P-2: The designation "Prime-2" or "P-2" indicates a strong capacity for repayment.

AAA: Debt rated AAA has the highest rating assigned by S&P to a debt obligation. Capacity to pay interest and repay principal is extremely strong.

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AA: Debt rated AA has a very strong capacity to pay interest and repay principal and differs from the higher rated issues only in small degree.

A: Debt rated A has a strong capacity to pay interest and repay principal although it is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than debt in higher rated categories.

BBB: Debt rate BBB is regarded as having an adequate capacity to pay interest and repay principal. Whereas it normally exhibits adequate protection parameters, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity to pay interest and repay principal for debt in this category than for debt in higher rated categories.

BB, B, CCC, CC: Debt rated BB, B, CCC, and CC is regarded, on balance, as predominantly speculative with respect to capacity to pay interest and repay principal in accordance with the terms of the obligations. BB indicates the lowest degree of speculation and CC the highest degree of speculation. While such debt will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, these are outweighed by large uncertainties of major risk exposures to adverse conditions.

COMMERCIAL PAPER

Standard & Poor's commercial paper ratings are current assessments of the likelihood of timely payment of debt having an original maturity of no more than $270~\mathrm{days}$.

A-1: The A-1 designation indicates that the degree of safety regarding timely payment is very strong.

A-2: Capacity for timely payment on issues with the designation A-2 is strong. However, the relative degree of safety is not as overwhelming as for issues designated A-1.

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THE PRUDENTIAL MUTUAL FUND FAMILY

Prudential Mutual Fund Management offers a broad range of mutual funds designed to meet your individual needs. We welcome you to review the investment options available through our family of funds. For more information on the Prudential Mutual Funds, including charges and expenses, contact your Prudential Securities financial adviser or Prusec representative or telephone the Fund at (800) 225-1852 for a free prospectus. Read the prospectus carefully before you invest or send money.

TAXABLE BOND FUNDS

Prudential Diversified Bond Fund, Inc. Prudential Government Income Fund, Inc.

Prudential Government Securities Trust

Short-Intermediate Term Series

Prudential High Yield Fund, Inc.

Prudential Mortgage Income Fund, Inc.

Prudential Structured Maturity Fund, Inc.

Income Portfolio

The BlackRock Government Income Trust

Intermediate Series

TAX-EXEMPT BOND FUNDS

Prudential California Municipal Fund California Series California Income Series Prudential Municipal Bond Fund High Yield Series Insured Series Prudential Municipal Series Fund Florida Series Hawaii Income Series Maryland Series Massachusetts Series Michigan Series New Jersey Series New York Series North Carolina Series Ohio Series Pennsylvania Series Prudential National Municipals Fund, Inc. GLOBAL FUNDS Prudential Europe Growth Fund, Inc. Prudential Global Genesis Fund, Inc. Prudential Global Limited Maturity Fund, Inc. Limited Maturity Portfolio Prudential Intermediate Global Income Fund, Inc. Prudential Natural Resources Fund, Inc. Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc. Prudential World Fund, Inc. Global Series International Stock Series The Global Government Plus Fund, Inc. The Global Total Return Fund, Inc. Global Utility Fund, Inc. EQUITTY FUNDS Prudential Allocation Fund Balanced Portfolio Strategy Portfolio Prudential Distressed Securities Fund, Inc. Prudential Dryden Fund Prudential Active Balanced Fund Prudential Stock Index Fund Prudential Emerging Growth Fund, Inc. Prudential Equity Fund, Inc. Prudential Equity Income Fund Prudential Growth Opportunity Fund, Inc. Prudential Jennison Series Fund, Inc. Prudential Jennison Growth Fund Prudential Jennison Growth & Income Fund Prudential Multi-Sector Fund, Inc. Prudential Small Companies Fund, Inc. Prudential Utility Fund, Inc. Nicholas-Applegate Fund, Inc. Nicholas-Applegate Growth Equity Fund MONEY MARKET FUNDS -TAXABLE MONEY MARKET FUNDS Prudential Government Securities Trust Money Market Series U.S. Treasury Money Market Series Money Market Series California Money Market Series Connecticut Money Market Series Massachusetts Money Market Series

Prudential Special Money Market Fund, Inc. Prudential MoneyMart Assets, Inc. -TAX-FREE MONEY MARKET FUNDS Prudential Tax-Free Money Fund Prudential California Municipal Fund Prudential Municipal Series Fund New Jersey Money Market Series New York Money Market Series -COMMAND FUNDS Command Money Fund Command Government Fund Command Tax-Free Fund -INSTITUTIONAL MONEY MARKET FUNDS Prudential Institutional Liquidity Portfolio, Inc. Institutional Money Market Series

No dealer, sales representative or any other person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations, other than those contained in this Prospectus, in connection with the offer contained herein, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Fund or the Distributor. This Prospectus does not constitute an offer by the Fund or by the Distributor to sell, or a solicitation of any offer to buy any of the securities offered hereby in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer in such jurisdiction.

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PROSPECTUS DECEMBER 30, 1996

PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC.

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PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC. STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION DATED DECEMBER 30, 1996

Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc. (the Fund) is an open-end, diversified management investment company whose investment objective is long-term growth of capital. The Fund seeks to achieve this objective by investing primarily in common stocks, common stock equivalents (including warrants and convertible debt securities) and other equity securities of companies doing business in or domiciled in the Pacific Basin region. Under normal circumstances, the Fund intends to invest at least 65% of its total assets in such securities. The Fund may invest in equity securities of other companies and in convertible and non-convertible debt securities. The Fund may also engage in various derivative transactions, such as those involving options on stocks, stock indices, foreign currencies and futures contracts on foreign currencies and groups of currencies so as to hedge its portfolio and to attempt to enhance return. There can be no assurance that the Fund's investment objective will be achieved. See "Investment Objective and Policies."

The Fund's address is Gateway Center Three, 100 Mulberry Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102-4077, and its telephone number is (800) 225-1852.

This Statement of Additional Information is not a prospectus and should be read in conjunction with the Fund's Prospectus dated December 30, 1996, a copy of which may be obtained from the Fund upon request.

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INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICIES

The Fund's investment objective is long-term growth of capital. It seeks to achieve this objective by investing primarily in common stocks, common stock equivalents (including warrants and convertible debt securities) and other equity securities of companies doing business in or domiciled in the Pacific Basin region, including but not limited to, Japan, Australia, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, The Philippines and New Zealand. There can be no assurance that the Fund's investment objective will be achieved. See "How the Fund Invests--Investment Objective and Policies" in the Prospectus.

OPTIONS ON SECURITIES

The Fund may purchase and write (I.E., sell) put and call options on securities that are traded on U.S. or foreign securities exchanges or that are traded in the over-the-counter markets. A call option is a short-term contract pursuant to which the purchaser, in return for a premium paid, has the right to buy the security underlying the option at a specified exercise price at any time during the term of the option. The writer of the call option, who receives the

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premium, has the obligation, upon exercise of the option, to deliver the underlying security against payment of the exercise price. A put option is a similar contract which gives the purchaser, in return for a premium, the right to sell the underlying security at a specified price during the term of the option. The writer of the put, who receives the premium, has the obligation to buy the underlying security upon exercise at the exercise price. The Fund will write put options only when the investment adviser desires to invest in the underlying security. The premium paid by the purchaser of an option will reflect, among other things, the relationship of the exercise price to the market price and volatility of the underlying security, the remaining term of the option, supply and demand and interest rates.

A call option written by the Fund is "covered" if the Fund owns the security underlying the option or has an absolute and immediate right to acquire that security without additional cash consideration (or for additional cash consideration held in a segregated account by its Custodian) upon conversion or exchange of other securities held in its portfolio. A call option is also covered if the Fund holds on a share-for-share basis a call on the same security as the call written where the exercise price of the call held is equal to or less than the exercise price of the call written or greater than the exercise price of the call written if the difference is maintained by the Fund in cash or liquid assets in a segregated account with its Custodian. A put option written by the Fund is "covered" if the Fund maintains cash or liquid assets with a value equal to the exercise price in a segregated account with its Custodian, or else holds on a share-for-share basis a put of the same security as the put written where the exercise price of the put held is equal to or greater than the exercise price of the put written. "Liquid assets," as used in the Fund's Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information, include U.S. Government securities, equity securities, investment grade debt obligations or other liquid unencumbered assets.

If the writer of an option wishes to terminate the obligation, he or she may effect a "closing purchase transaction." This is accomplished by buying an option of the same series as the option previously written. The effect of the purchase is that the writer's position will be cancelled by the clearing corporation. However, a writer may not effect a closing purchase transaction after he or she had been notified of the exercise of an option. Similarly, an investor who is the holder of an option may liquidate his or her position by effecting a "closing sale transaction." This is accomplished by selling an option of the same series as the option previously purchased. There is no quarantee that either a closing purchase or a closing sale transaction can be effected. To secure the obligation to deliver the underlying security in the case of a call option, the writer of the option is generally required to pledge for the benefit of the broker the underlying security or other assets in accordance with the rules of the relevant exchange or clearinghouse, such as The Options Clearing Corporation (OCC), an institution created to interpose itself between buyers and sellers of options in the United States. Technically, the clearinghouse assumes the other side of every purchase and sale transaction on an exchange and, by doing so, guarantees the transaction.

The Fund will realize a profit from a closing transaction if the price of the transaction is less than the premium received from writing the option or is more than the premium paid to purchase the option; the Fund will realize a loss from a closing transaction if the price of the transaction is more than the premium received from writing the option or is less than the premium paid to purchase the option. Because increases in the market price of a call option will generally reflect increases in the market price of the underlying security, any loss resulting from the repurchase of a call option may be offset in whole or in part if the Fund holds the underlying security by appreciation of the underlying security owned by the Fund.

The Fund may also purchase a "protective put," I.E., a put option acquired for the purpose of protecting a portfolio security from a decline in market value. In exchange for the premium paid for the put option, the Fund acquires the right to sell the underlying security at the exercise price of the put regardless of the extent to which the underlying security declines in value. The

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loss to the Fund is limited to the premium paid for, and transaction costs in connection with, the put plus the initial excess, if any, of the market price of the underlying security over the exercise price. However, if the market price of the security underlying the put rises, the profit the Fund realizes on the sale of the security will be reduced by the premium paid for the put option less any amount (net of transaction costs) for which the put may be sold. Similar principles apply to the purchase of puts on stock indices, as described below.

OPTIONS ON SECURITIES INDICES. In addition to options on securities, the Fund may also purchase and sell put and call options on securities indices traded on U.S. or foreign securities exchanges or traded in the over-the-counter markets. Options on securities indices are similar to options on securities except that, rather than the right to take or make delivery of a security at a specified price, an option on a securities index gives the holder the right to

receive, upon exercise of the option, an amount of cash if the closing level of the securities index upon which the option is based is greater than, in the case of a call, or less than, in the case of a put, the exercise price of the option. This amount of cash is equal to such difference between the closing price of the index and the exercise price of the option expressed in dollars times a specified multiple (the multiplier). The writer of the option is obligated, in return for the premium received, to make delivery of this amount. Unlike for equity securities options, all settlements are in cash, and gain or loss depends on price movements in the securities market generally (or in a particular industry or segment of the market) rather than price movements in individual securities.

The multiplier for an index option performs a function similar to the unit of trading for a stock option. It determines the total dollar value per contract of each point in the difference between the exercise price of an option and the current level of the underlying index. A multiplier of 100 means that a one-point difference will yield \$100. Options on different indices may have different multipliers. Because exercises of index options are settled in cash, a call writer cannot determine the amount of its settlement obligations in advance and, unlike call writing on specific stocks, cannot provide in advance for, or cover, its potential settlement obligations by acquiring and holding the underlying securities. In addition, unless the Fund has other liquid assets which are sufficient to satisfy the exercise of a call, the Fund would be required to liquidate portfolio securities or borrow in order to satisfy the exercise.

Because the value of an index option depends upon movements in the level of the index rather than the price of a particular security, whether the Fund will realize a gain or loss on the purchase or sale of an option on an index depends upon movements in the level of security prices in the market generally or in an industry or market segment rather than movements in the price of a particular security. Accordingly, successful use by the Fund of options on indices would be subject to the investment adviser's ability to predict correctly movements in the direction of the securities market generally or of a particular industry. This requires different skills and techniques than predicting changes in the price of individual stocks. The investment adviser currently uses such techniques in conjunction with the management of other mutual funds.

RISKS OF TRANSACTIONS IN OPTIONS

An option position may be closed out only on an exchange, board of trade or other trading facility which provides a secondary market for an option of the same series. Although the Fund will generally purchase or write only those options for which there appears to be an active secondary market, there is no assurance that a liquid secondary market on an exchange will exist for any particular option, or at any particular time, and for some options no secondary market on an exchange or otherwise may exist. In such event it might not be possible to effect closing transactions in particular options, with the result that the Fund would have to exercise its options in order to realize any profit and would incur brokerage commissions upon the exercise of call options and upon the subsequent disposition of underlying securities acquired through the exercise of call options or upon the purchase of underlying securities for the exercise of put options. If the Fund as a covered call option writer is unable to effect a closing purchase transaction in a secondary market, it will not be able to sell the underlying security until the option expires or it delivers the underlying security upon exercise.

Reasons for the absence of a liquid secondary market on an exchange include the following: (i) there may be insufficient trading interest in certain options; (ii) restrictions may be imposed by an exchange on opening transactions or closing transactions or both; (iii) trading halts, suspensions or other restrictions may be imposed with respect to particular classes or series of options or underlying securities; (iv) unusual or unforeseen circumstances may interrupt normal operations on an exchange; (v) the facilities of an exchange or a clearing corporation may not at all times be adequate to handle current trading volume; or (vi) one or more exchanges could, for economic or other reasons, decide or be compelled at some future date to discontinue the trading of options (or a particular class or series of options), in which event the secondary market on that exchange (or in the class or series of options) would cease to exist, although outstanding options on that exchange that had been

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issued by a clearing corporation as a result of trades on that exchange would continue to be exercisable in accordance with their terms. There is no assurance that higher than anticipated trading activity or other unforeseen events might not, at times, render certain of the facilities of any of the clearing corporations inadequate, and thereby result in the institution by an exchange of special procedures which may interfere with the timely execution of customers' orders. The Fund intends to purchase and sell only those options which are cleared by clearinghouses whose facilities are considered to be adequate to handle the volume of options transactions.

RISKS OF OPTIONS ON INDICES

The Fund's purchase and sale of options on indices will be subject to risks described above under "Risks of Transactions in Options." In addition, the distinctive characteristics of options on indices create certain risks that are not present with stock options.

Index prices may be distorted if trading of certain stocks included in the index is interrupted. Trading in the index options also may be interrupted in certain circumstances, such as if trading were halted in a substantial number of stocks included in the index. If this occurred, the Fund would not be able to close out options which it had purchased or written and, if restrictions on exercise were imposed, may be unable to exercise an option it holds, which could result in substantial losses to the Fund. It is the Fund's policy to purchase or write options only on indices which include a number of stocks sufficient to minimize the likelihood of a trading halt in the index.

The ability to establish and close out positions on such options will be subject to the development and maintenance of a liquid secondary market. It is not certain that this market will develop in all index option contracts. The Fund will not purchase or sell any index option contract unless and until, in the investment adviser's opinion, the market for such options has developed sufficiently that the risk in connection with such transactions is not substantially greater than the risk in connection with options on securities in the index

SPECIAL RISKS OF WRITING CALLS ON INDICES

Because exercises of index options are settled in cash, a call writer such as the Fund cannot determine the amount of its settlement obligations in advance and, unlike call writing on specific stocks, cannot provide in advance for, or cover, its potential settlement obligations by acquiring and holding the underlying securities. However, the Fund will write call options on indices only under the circumstances described below under "Limitations on Purchase and Sale of Stock Options and Options on Stock Indices, Foreign Currencies and Futures Contracts on Foreign Currencies."

Price movements in the Fund's portfolio probably will not correlate precisely with movements in the level of the index and, therefore, the Fund bears the risk that the price of the securities held by the Fund may not increase as much as the index. In such event, the Fund would bear a loss on the call which is not completely offset by movements in the price of the Fund's portfolio. It is also possible that the index may rise when the Fund's portfolio of stocks does not rise. If this occurred, the Fund would experience a loss on the call which is not offset by an increase in the value of its portfolio and might also experience a loss in its portfolio. However, because the value of a diversified portfolio will, over time, tend to move in the same direction as the market, movements in the value of the Fund in the opposite direction as the market would be likely to occur for only a short period or to a small degree.

Unless the Fund has other liquid assets which are sufficient to satisfy the exercise of a call, the Fund would be required to liquidate portfolio securities in order to satisfy the exercise. Because an exercise must be settled within hours after receiving the notice of exercise, if the Fund fails to anticipate an exercise, it may have to borrow from a bank (in amounts not exceeding 20% of the Fund's total assets) pending settlement of the sale of securities in its portfolio and would incur interest charges thereon.

When the Fund has written a call, there is also a risk that the market may decline between the time the Fund has a call exercised against it, at a price which is fixed as of the closing level of the index on the date of exercise, and the time the Fund is able to sell stocks in its portfolio. As with stock options, the Fund will not learn that an index option has been exercised until the day following the exercise date but, unlike a call on stock where the Fund would be able to deliver the underlying securities in settlement, the Fund may have to sell part of its investment portfolio in order to make settlement in cash, and the price of such investments might decline before they can be sold. This timing risk makes certain strategies involving more than one option substantially more risky with index options than with stock options. For example, even if an index call which the Fund has written is "covered" by an index call held by the Fund with the same strike price, the Fund will bear the risk that the level of the index may

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decline between the close of trading on the date the exercise notice is filed with the clearing corporation and the close of trading on the date the Fund exercises the call it holds or the time the Fund sells the call which, in either case, would occur no earlier than the day following the day the exercise notice was filed.

If the Fund holds an index option and exercises it before final determination of the closing index value for that day, it runs the risk that the level of the underlying index may change before closing. If such a change causes the exercised option to fall out-of-the-money, the Fund will be required to pay the difference between the closing index value and the exercise price of the option (times the applicable multiplier) to the assigned writer. Although the

Fund may be able to minimize this risk by withholding exercise instructions until just before the daily cutoff time or by selling rather than exercising an option when the index level is close to the exercise price, it may not be possible to eliminate this risk entirely because the cutoff times for index options may be earlier than those fixed for other types of options and may occur before definitive closing index values are announced.

RISKS OF OPTIONS ON FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Options on foreign currencies involve the currencies of two nations and therefore, developments in either or both countries affect the values of options on foreign currencies. Risks include those described in the Prospectus under "How the Fund Invests-Risks and Special Considerations of Investing in Foreign Securities," including government actions affecting currency valuation and the movements of currencies from one country to another. The quantity of currency underlying option contracts represent odd lots in a market dominated by transactions between banks; this can mean extra transaction costs upon exercise. Option markets may be closed while round-the-clock interbank currency markets are open, and this can create price and rate discrepancies.

RISKS RELATED TO FORWARD FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE CONTRACTS

The Fund may enter into forward foreign currency exchange contracts in several circumstances. When the Fund enters into a contract for the purchase or sale of a security denominated in a foreign currency, or when the Fund anticipates the receipt in a foreign currency of dividends or interest payments on a security which it holds, the Fund may desire to "lock-in" the U.S. dollar price of the security or the U.S. dollar equivalent of such dividend or interest payment, as the case may be. By entering into a forward contract for a fixed amount of dollars, for the purchase or sale of the amount of foreign currency involved in the underlying transactions, the Fund may be able to protect itself against a possible loss resulting from an adverse change in the relationship between the U.S. dollar and the foreign currency during the period between the date on which the security is purchased or sold, or on which the dividend or interest payment is declared, and the date on which such payments are made or received.

Additionally, when the investment adviser believes that the currency of a particular foreign country may suffer a substantial decline against the U.S. dollar, the Fund may enter into a forward contract for a fixed amount of dollars, to sell the amount of foreign currency approximating the value of some or all of the Fund's portfolio securities denominated in such foreign currency. The precise matching of the forward contract amounts and the value of the securities involved will not generally be possible since the future value of securities in foreign currencies will change as a consequence of market movements in the value of those securities between the date on which the forward contract is entered into and the date it matures. The projection of short-term currency market movement is extremely difficult, and the successful execution of a short-term hedging strategy is highly uncertain. The Fund does not intend to enter into such forward contracts to protect the value of its portfolio securities on a regular or continuous basis. The Fund does not intend to enter into such forward contracts or maintain a net exposure to such contracts where the consummation of the contracts would obligate the Fund to deliver an amount of foreign currency in excess of the value of the Fund's portfolio securities or other assets denominated in that currency. However, the Fund believes that it is important to have the flexibility to enter into such forward contracts when it determines that the best interests of the Fund will thereby be served. The Fund's Custodian will place cash or liquid securities into a segregated account of the Fund in an amount equal to the value of the Fund's total assets committed to the consummation of forward foreign currency exchange contracts. If the value of the securities placed in the segregated account declines, additional cash or securities will be placed in the account on a daily basis so that the value of the account will equal the amount of the Fund's commitments with respect to such contracts.

The Fund generally will not enter into a forward contract with a term of greater than one year. At the maturity of a forward contract, the Fund may either sell the portfolio security and make delivery of the foreign currency, or it may retain the security and terminate its contractual obligation to deliver the foreign currency by purchasing an "offsetting" contract with the same currency trader obligating it to purchase, on the same maturity date, the same amount of the foreign currency.

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It is impossible to forecast with absolute precision the market value of a particular portfolio security at the expiration of the forward contract. Accordingly, if a decision is made to sell the security and make delivery of the foreign currency and if the market value of the security is less than the amount of foreign currency that the Fund is obligated to deliver, then it would be necessary for the Fund to purchase additional foreign currency on the spot market (and bear the expense of such purchase).

If the Fund retains the portfolio security and engages in an offsetting transaction, the Fund will incur a gain or a loss to the extent that there has been movement in forward contract prices. Should forward contract prices decline during the period between the Fund's entering into a forward contract for the sale of a foreign currency and the date it enters into an offsetting contract for the purchase of the foreign currency, the Fund will realize a gain to the extent that the price of the currency it has agreed to sell exceeds the price of the currency it has agreed to purchase. Should forward contract prices increase, the Fund will suffer a loss to the extent that the price of the currency it has agreed to purchase exceeds the price of the currency it has agreed to sell.

The Fund's dealing in forward foreign currency exchange contracts will generally be limited to the transactions described above. Of course, the Fund is not required to enter into such transactions with regard to its foreign currency-dominated securities. It also should be recognized that this method of protecting the value of the Fund's portfolio securities against a decline in the value of a currency does not eliminate fluctuations in the underlying prices of the securities which are unrelated to exchange rates. Additionally, although such contracts tend to minimize the risk of loss due to a decline in the value of the hedged currency, at the same time they tend to limit any potential gain which might result should the value of such currency increase.

Although the Fund values its assets daily in terms of U.S. dollars, it does not intend physically to convert its holdings of foreign currencies into U.S. dollars on a daily basis. It will do so from time to time, and investors should be aware of the costs of currency conversion. Although foreign exchange dealers do not charge a fee for conversion, they do realize a profit based on the difference (the spread) between the prices at which they are buying and selling various currencies. Thus, a dealer may offer to sell a foreign currency to the Fund at one rate, while offering a lesser rate of exchange should the Fund desire to resell that currency to the dealer.

RISKS OF TRANSACTIONS IN FUTURES CONTRACTS

There are several risks in connection with the use of futures contracts as a hedging device. Due to the imperfect correlation between the price of futures contracts and movements in the currency or group of currencies, the price of a futures contract may move more or less than the price of the currencies being hedged. In the case of futures contracts on securities indices, the correlation between the price of the futures contract and the movements in the index may not be perfect. Therefore, a correct forecast of currency rates, market trends or international political trends by the investment adviser may still not result in a successful hedging transaction.

Although the Fund will purchase or sell futures contracts only on exchanges where there appears to be an adequate secondary market, there is no assurance that a liquid secondary market on an exchange will exist for any particular contract or at any particular time. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that it will be possible, at any particular time, to close a futures position. In the event the Fund could not close a futures position and the value of such position declined, the Fund would be required to continue to make daily cash payments of variation margin. There is no guarantee that the price movements of the portfolio securities denominated in foreign currencies will, in fact, correlate with the price movements in the futures contract and thus provide an offset to losses on a futures contract. Currently, currency futures contracts are available on various foreign currencies including the Australian Dollar, British Pound, Canadian Dollar, Japanese Yen, Swiss Franc, West German Mark and Eurodollars. Index futures contracts are available on various U.S. and foreign securities indices.

Successful use of futures contracts by the Fund is also subject to the ability of the Fund's investment adviser to predict correctly movements in the direction of markets and other factors affecting currencies or the securities market generally. For example, if the Fund had hedged against the possibility of an increase in currency rates which would adversely affect the price of securities in its portfolio and the price of such securities increases instead, the Fund will lose part or all of the benefit of the increased value of its securities because it will have offsetting losses in its futures positions. In addition, in such situations, if the Fund has insufficient cash to meet daily variation margin requirements, it may need to sell securities to meet such requirements. Such sales of securities may be, but will not necessarily be, at increased prices which reflect the rising market. The Fund may have to sell securities at a time when it is disadvantageous to do so.

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The hours of trading of futures contracts may not conform to the hours during which the Fund may trade the underlying securities. To the extent that the futures markets close before the securities markets, significant price and rate movements can take place in the securities markets that cannot be reflected in the futures markets.

OPTIONS ON FUTURES CONTRACTS

An option on a futures contract gives the purchaser the right, but not the

obligation, to assume a position in a futures contract (a long position if the option is a call and a short position if the option is a put) at a specified exercise price at any time during the option exercise period. The writer of the option is required upon exercise to assume an offsetting futures position (a short position if the option is a call and a long position if the option is a put). Upon exercise of the option, the assumption of offsetting futures positions by the writer and holder of the option will be accompanied by delivery of the accumulated cash balance in the writer's futures margin account which represents the amount by which the market price of the futures contract, at exercise, exceeds, in the case of a call, or is less than, in the case of a put, the exercise price of the option on the futures contract. Currently options can be purchased or written with respect to futures contracts on various foreign currencies, including the Australian Dollar, British Pound, Canadian Dollar, Japanese Yen, Swiss Franc, West German Mark and Eurodollars. With respect to stock indices, options are traded on futures contracts for various U.S. and foreign stock indicies including the S&P 500 Stock Index and the NYSE Composite Index.

The holder or writer of an option may terminate its position by selling or purchasing an option of the same series. There is no guarantee that such closing transactions can be effected.

LIMITATIONS ON PURCHASE AND SALE OF STOCK OPTIONS AND OPTIONS ON STOCK INDICES, FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND FUTURES CONTRACTS ON FOREIGN CURRENCIES

The Fund may write put and call options on stocks only if they are covered, and such options must remain covered so long as the Fund is obligated as a writer. The Fund will write put options on stock indices and foreign currencies and futures contracts on foreign currencies only if they are covered by segregating with the Fund's Custodian an amount of cash, U.S. Government securities, or liquid assets equal to the aggregate exercise price of the puts. The Fund will not enter into futures contracts or related options if the aggregate initial margin and premiums exceed 5% of the liquidation value of the Fund's total assets, taking into account unrealized profits and losses on such contracts, provided, however, that in the case of an option that is in-themoney, the in-the-money amount may be excluded in computing such 5%. The above restriction does not apply to the purchase or sale of futures contracts and related options for BONA FIDE hedging purposes within the meaning of regulations of the Commodities Futures Trading Commission. The Fund does not intend to purchase options on equity securities or securities indices if the aggregate premiums paid for such outstanding options would exceed 10% of the Fund's total assets.

Except as described below, the Fund will write call options on indices only if on such date it holds a portfolio of stocks at least equal to the value of the index times the multiplier times the number of contracts. When the Fund writes a call option on a broadly-based stock market index, the Fund will segregate or put into escrow with its Custodian, or pledge to a broker as collateral for the option, cash, U.S. Government securities, liquid high-grade debt securities or a portfolio of stocks substantially replicating the movement of the index, in the judgment of the Fund's investment adviser, with a market value at the time the option is written of not less than 100% of the current index value times the multiplier times the number of contracts.

If the Fund has written an option on an industry or market segment index, it will segregate or put into escrow with its Custodian, or pledge to a broker as collateral for the option, at least ten "qualified securities," all of which are stocks of issuers in such industry or market segment, with a market value at the time the option is written of not less than 100% of the current index value times the multiplier times the number of contracts. Such stocks will include stocks which represent at least 50% of the weighting of the industry or market segment index and will represent at least 50% of the Fund's holdings in that industry or market segment. No individual security will represent more than 15% of the amount so segregated, pledged or escrowed in the case of broadly-based stock market index options or 25% of such amount in the case of industry or market segment index options. If at the close of business on any day the market value of such qualified securities so segregated, escrowed or pledged falls below 100% of the current index value times the multiplier times the number of contracts, the Fund will so segregate, escrow or pledge an amount in cash or liquid assets equal in value to the difference. In addition, when the Fund writes a call on an index which is in-the-money at the time the call is written, the Fund will segregate with its Custodian or pledge to the broker as collateral cash, U.S. Government securities or other high-grade short-term debt obligations equal in value to the amount by which the call is in-the-money times the multiplier times the number of contracts. Any amount segregated pursuant to the

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foregoing sentence may be applied to the Fund's obligation to segregate additional amounts in the event that the market value of the qualified securities falls below 100% of the current index value times the multiplier

times the number of contracts. A "qualified security" is an equity security which is listed on a national securities exchange or listed on NASDAQ against which the Fund has not written a stock call option and which has not been hedged by the Fund by the sale of stock index futures. However, if the Fund holds a call on the same index as the call written where the exercise price of the call held is equal to or less than the exercise price of the call written or greater than the exercise price of the call written if the difference is maintained by the Fund in cash, Treasury bills or other high-grade short-term obligations in a segregated account with its Custodian, it will not be subject to the requirements described in this paragraph.

The Fund may engage in futures contracts and options on futures transactions as a hedge against changes, resulting from market or political conditions, in the value of the currencies to which the Fund is subject or to which the Fund expects to be subject in connection with future purchases. The Fund may engage in such transactions when they are economically appropriate for the reduction of risks inherent in the ongoing management of the Fund. The Fund may write options on futures contracts to realize through the receipt of premium income a greater return than would be realized in the Fund's portfolio securities alone.

POSITION LIMITS. Transactions by the Fund in futures contracts and options will be subject to limitations, if any, established by each of the exchanges, boards of trade or other trading facilities (including NASDAQ) governing the maximum number of options in each class which may be written or purchased by a single investor or group of investors acting in concert, regardless of whether the options are written on the same or different exchanges, boards of trade or other trading facilities or are held or written in one or more accounts or through one or more brokers. Thus, the number of futures contracts and options which the Fund may write or purchase may be affected by the futures contracts and options written or purchased by other investment advisory clients of the investment adviser. An exchange, board of trade or other trading facility may order the liquidations of positions found to be in excess of these limits, and it may impose certain other sanctions.

DEFENSIVE STRATEGY AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS

When conditions dictate a defensive strategy, the Fund may invest in money market instruments, including commercial paper of corporations, certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances and other obligations of domestic and foreign banks, obligations issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, its agencies or its instrumentalities and repurchase agreements (described more fully below). Such investments may be subject to certain risks, including future political and economic developments, the possible imposition of withholding taxes on interest income, the seizure or nationalization of foreign deposits and foreign exchange controls or other restrictions.

WHEN-ISSUED AND DELAYED DELIVERY SECURITIES

From time to time, in the ordinary course of business, the Fund may purchase or sell securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis, that is, delivery and payment can take place a month or more after the date of the transaction. The Fund will make commitments for such when-issued transactions only with the intention of actually acquiring the securities. The Fund's Custodian will maintain, in a separate account of the Fund, cash or liquid assets having a value equal to or greater than such commitments. If the Fund chooses to dispose of the right to acquire a when-issued security prior to its acquisition, it could, as with the disposition of any other portfolio security, incur a gain or loss due to market fluctuations. The Fund does not intend to have more than 5% of its net assets (determined at the time of entering into the transaction) involved in transactions on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis during the coming year.

SHORT SALES AGAINST-THE-BOX

The Fund may make short sales of securities or maintain a short position, provided that at all times when a short position is open the Fund owns an equal amount of such securities or securities convertible into or exchangeable, without payment of any further consideration, for an equal amount of the securities of the same issuer as the securities sold short (a short sale against—the—box), and that not more than 25% of the Fund's net assets (determined at the time of the short sale) may be subject to such sales. Short sales will be made primarily to defer realization of gain or loss for federal tax purposes. As a matter of current operating policy, the Fund will not engage in short—sales other than short—sales against—the—box. The Fund does not intend to have more than 5% of its net assets (determined at the time of the short sale) subject to short sales against—the—box during the coming year.

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U.S. TREASURY SECURITIES. The Fund is permitted to invest in U.S. Treasury securities, including bills, notes, bonds and other debt securities issued by the U.S. Treasury. These instruments are direct obligations of the U.S. Government and, as such, are backed by the "full faith and credit" of the United States. They differ primarily in their interest rates, the lengths of their maturities and the dates of their issuances.

SECURITIES ISSUED OR GUARANTEED BY U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES. The Fund may invest in securities issued by agencies of the U.S. Government or instrumentalities of the U.S. Government. These obligations, including those which are guaranteed by Federal Agencies or instrumentalities, may or may not be backed by the full faith and credit of the United States. Obligations of the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA), the Farmers Home Administration and the Small Business Administration are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, In the case of securities not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, the Fund must look principally to the agency issuing or guaranteeing the obligation for ultimate repayment and may not be able to assert a claim against the United States if the agency or instrumentality does not meets its commitments. Securities in which the Fund may invest which are not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States include obligations such as those issued by the Federal Home Loan Bank, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC), the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Student Loan Marketing Association, Resolution Funding Corporation and the Tennessee Valley Authority, each of which has the right to borrow from the U.S. Treasury to meet its obligations, and obligations of the Farm Credit System, the obligations of which may be satisfied only by the individual credit of the issuing agency. FHLMC investments may include collateralized mortgage obligations.

Obligations issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States Government may be acquired by the Fund in the form of custodial receipts that evidence ownership of future interest payments, principal payments or both on certain United States treasury notes or bonds. Such notes and bonds are held in custody by a bank on behalf of the owners. These custodial receipts are commonly referred to as Treasury strips.

MORTGAGE-RELATED SECURITIES ISSUED BY U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES. The Fund may invest in mortgage-backed securities, including those which represent undivided ownership interest in pools of mortgages. The U.S. Government or the issuing agency or instrumentality guarantees the payment of interest on and principal of these securities. However, the guarantees do not extend to the yield or value of the securities nor do the guarantees extend to the yield or value of the Fund's shares. These securities are in most cases pass-through instruments through which the holders receive a share of all interest and principal payments from the mortgagees underlying the securities, net of certain fees. Because the prepayment characteristics of the underlying mortgages vary, it is not possible to predict accurately the average life of a particular issue of pass-through certificates. Mortgage-backed securities are often subject to more rapid repayment than their maturity date would indicate as a result of the pass-through of prepayments of principal on the underlying mortgage obligations. During periods of declining interest rates, prepayment of mortgages underlying mortgage-backed securities can be expected to accelerate. The Fund's ability to invest in high-yielding mortgage-backed securities will be adversely affected to the extent that prepayments of mortgages must be reinvested in securities which have lower yields than the prepaid mortgages. Moreover, prepayments of mortgages which underlie securities purchased at a premium could result in capital losses. During periods of rising interest rates, the rate of prepayment of mortgages underlying mortgage-backed securities can be expected to decline, extending the projected average maturity of the mortgage-backed securities. This maturity extension risk may effectively change a security which was considered short- or intermediate-term at the time of purchase into a long-term security. Long-term securities generally fluctuate more widely in response to changes in interest rates than short- or intermediate-term securities.

The Fund may invest in both Adjustable Rate Mortgage Securities (ARMs), which are pass-through mortgage securities collateralized by adjustable rate mortgages, and Fixed-Rate Mortgage Securities (FRMs), which are collateralized by fixed-rate mortgages.

The values of U.S. Government securities (like those of other fixed-income securities generally) will change as interest rates fluctuate. During periods of falling U.S. interest rates, the values of U.S. Government securities generally

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FOREIGN DEBT SECURITIES

The Fund is permitted to invest in foreign corporate and government securities. "Foreign Government securities" include debt securities issued or guaranteed, as to payment of principal and interest, by governments, quasi-governmental entities, governmental agencies, supranational entities and other governmental entities (collectively, Government Entities) of foreign countries denominated in the currency of another such country.

A "supranational entity" is an entity constituted by the national governments of several countries to promote economic development. Examples of such supranational entities include, among others, the World Bank (International Bank for Reconstruction and Development), the European Investment Bank and the Asian Development Bank. Debt securities of quasi-governmental issuers include, among others, the Province of Ontario and the City of Stockholm. Foreign governments securities shall also include debt securities of Government Entities denominated in European Currency Units. A European Currency Unit represents specified amounts of the currencies of certain of the member states of the European Community. Foreign government securities shall also include mortgage-backed securities issued by foreign Government Entities including quasi-governmental entities.

REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS

The Fund's repurchase agreements will be collateralized by U.S. Government obligations. The Fund will enter into repurchase transactions only with parties meeting creditworthiness standards approved by the Fund's Board of Directors. The Fund's investment adviser will monitor the creditworthiness of such parties, under the general supervision of the Board of Directors. In the event of a default or bankruptcy by a seller, the Fund will promptly seek to liquidate the collateral. To the extent that the proceeds from any sale of such collateral upon a default in the obligation to repurchase are less than the repurchase price, the Fund will suffer a loss.

The Fund participates in a joint repurchase agreement account with other investment companies managed by Prudential Mutual Fund Management LLC (PMF) pursuant to an order of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). On a daily basis, any uninvested cash balances of the Fund may be aggregated with those of such investment companies and invested in one or more repurchase agreements. Each fund participates in the income earned or accrued in the joint account based on the percentage of its investment.

LENDING OF SECURITIES

Consistent with applicable regulatory requirements, the Fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and financial institutions, provided that outstanding loans do not exceed in the aggregate 30% of the value of the Fund's total assets and provided that such loans are callable at any time by the Fund and are at all times secured by cash or equivalent collateral that is equal to at least the market value, determined daily, of the loaned securities. The advantage of such loans is that the Fund continues to receive payments in lieu of the interest and dividends of the loaned securities, while at the same time earning interest either directly from the borrower or on the collateral which will be invested in short-term obligations.

A loan may be terminated by the borrower on one business day's notice or by the Fund at any time. If the borrower fails to maintain the requisite amount of collateral, the loan automatically terminates, and the Fund could use the collateral to replace the securities while holding the borrower liable for any excess of replacement cost over collateral. As with any extensions of credit, there are risks of delay in recovery and in some cases loss of rights in the collateral should the borrower of the securities fail financially. However, these loans of portfolio securities will only be made to firms determined to be creditworthy pursuant to procedures approved by the Board of Directors of the Fund. On termination of the loan, the borrower is required to return the securities to the Fund, and any gain or loss in the market price during the loan would inure to the Fund.

Since voting or consent rights which accompany loaned securities pass to the borrower, the Fund will follow the policy of calling the loan, in whole or in

part as may be appropriate, to permit the exercise of such rights if the matters involved would have a material effect on the Fund's investment in the securities which are the subject of the loan. The Fund will pay reasonable finders', administrative and custodial fees in connection with a loan of its securities or may share the interest earned on collateral with the borrower.

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The Fund may not hold more than 10% of its net assets in repurchase agreements which have a maturity of longer than seven days or in other illiquid securities, including securities that are illiquid by virtue of the absence of a readily available market (either within or outside of the United States) or legal or contractual restrictions on resale. Historically, illiquid securities have included securities subject to contractual or legal restrictions on resale because they have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (Securities Act), securities which are otherwise not readily marketable and repurchase agreements having a maturity of longer than seven days. Securities which have not been registered under the Securities Act are referred to as private placements or restricted securities and are purchased directly from the issuer or in the secondary market. Mutual funds do not typically hold a significant amount of these restricted or other illiquid securities because of the potential for delays on resale and uncertainty in valuation. Limitations on resale may have an adverse effect on the marketability of portfolio securities and a mutual fund might be unable to dispose of restricted or other illiquid securities promptly or at reasonable prices and might thereby experience difficulty satisfying redemptions within seven days. A mutual fund might also have to register such restricted securities in order to dispose of them resulting in additional expense and delay. Adverse market conditions could impede such a public offering of securities.

In recent years, however, a large institutional market has developed for certain securities that are not registered under the Securities Act including repurchase agreements, commercial paper, foreign securities, municipal securities and corporate bonds and notes. Institutional investors depend on an efficient institutional market in which the unregistered security can be readily resold or on an issuer's ability to honor a demand for repayment. The fact that there are contractual or legal restrictions on resale to the general public or to certain institutions may not be indicative of the liquidity of such investments.

Rule 144A of the Securities Act allows for a broader institutional trading market for securities otherwise subject to restriction on resale to the general public. Rule 144A establishes a "safe harbor" from the registration requirements of the Securities Act for resales of certain securities to qualified institutional buyers. The investment adviser anticipates that the market for certain restricted securities such as institutional commercial paper and foreign securities will expand further as a result of this new regulation and the development of automated systems for the trading, clearance and settlement of unregistered securities of domestic and foreign issuers, such as the PORTAL System sponsored by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (NASD).

Restricted securities eligible for resale pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act and commercial paper and municipal lease obligations for which there is a readily available market will not be deemed to be illiquid. The investment adviser will monitor the liquidity of such restricted securities subject to the supervision of the Board of Directors. In reaching liquidity decisions, the investment adviser will consider, INTER ALIA, the following factors: (1) the frequency of trades and quotes for the security; (2) the number of dealers wishing to purchase or sell the security and the number of other potential purchasers; (3) dealer undertakings to make a market in the security; and (4) the nature of the security and the nature of the marketplace trades (e.g., the time needed to dispose of the security, the method of soliciting offers and the mechanics of the transfer). In addition, in order for commercial paper that is issued in reliance on Section 4(2) of the Securities Act to be considered liquid, (i) it must be rated in one of the two highest rating categories by at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSRO), or if only one NRSRO rates the securities, by that NRSRO, or, if unrated, be of comparable quality in the view of the investment adviser; and (ii) it must not be "traded flat" (I.E., without accrued interest) or in default as to principal or interest. With respect to municipal lease obligations, the investment adviser also considers: (1) the willingness of the municipality to continue, annually or biannually, to appropriate funds for payment of the lease; (2) the general credit quality of the municipality and the essentiality to the municipality of the property covered by the lease; (3) in the case of unrated municipal lease obligations, an analysis of factors similar to that performed by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations in evaluating the credit quality of a municipal lease obligation, including (i) whether the lease can be cancelled; (ii) if applicable, what assurance there is that the assets represented by the lease can be sold; (iii) the strength of the lessee's general credit (E.G., its debt, administrative, economic and financial

characteristics); (iv) the likelihood that the municipality will discontinue appropriating funding for the leased property because the property is no longer deemed essential to the operations of the municipality (E.G., the potential for an event of nonappropriation); (v) the legal recourse in the event of failure to appropriate; and (4) any other factors unique to municipal lease obligations as determined by the investment adviser. Repurchase agreements subject to demand are deemed to have a maturity equal to the notice period.

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SECURITIES OF OTHER INVESTMENT COMPANIES

The Fund may invest up to 10% of its total assets in securities of other investment companies. Generally, the Fund does not intend to invest in such securities, except as set forth in the Prospectus with respect to certain countries which do not permit direct foreign equity investments. If the Fund does invest in securities of other investment companies, shareholders of the Fund may be subject to duplicate management and advisory fees.

PORTFOLIO TURNOVER

As a result of the investment policies described above, the Fund may engage in a substantial number of portfolio transactions, but the Fund's portfolio turnover rate is not expected to exceed 200%. The portfolio turnover rate is generally the percentage computed by dividing the lesser of portfolio purchases or sales (excluding all securities, including options, whose maturities or expiration date at acquisition were one year or less) by the monthly average value of the portfolio. High portfolio turnover (over 100%) involves correspondingly greater brokerage commissions and other transaction costs, which are borne directly by the Fund. In addition, high portfolio turnover may also mean that a proportionately greater amount of distributions to shareholders will be taxed as ordinary income rather than long-term capital gains compared to investment companies with lower portfolio turnover. See "Portfolio Transactions and Brokerage" and "Taxes."

INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS

The following restrictions are fundamental policies. Fundamental policies are those which cannot be changed without the approval of the holders of a majority of the Fund's outstanding voting securities. A "majority of the Fund's outstanding voting securities," when used in this Statement of Additional Information, means the lesser of (i) 67% of the voting shares represented at a meeting at which more than 50% of the outstanding voting shares are present in person or represented by proxy or (ii) more than 50% of the outstanding voting shares.

The Fund may not:

- 1. Purchase securities on margin (but the Fund may obtain such short-term credits as may be necessary for the clearance of transactions); provided that the deposit or payment by the Fund of initial or maintenance margin in connection with futures or options is not considered the purchase of a security on margin.
- 2. Make short sales of securities or maintain a short position if, when added together, more than 25% of the value of the Fund's net assets would be (i) deposited as collateral for the obligation to replace securities borrowed to effect short sales and (ii) allocated to segregated accounts in connection with short sales. Short sales "against-the-box" are not subject to this limitation.
- 3. Issue senior securities, borrow money or pledge its assets, except that the Fund may borrow from banks up to 20% of the value of its total assets (calculated when the loan is made) for temporary, extraordinary or emergency purposes or for the clearance of transactions. The Fund may pledge up to 20% of the value of its total assets to secure such borrowings. For purposes of this restriction, the purchase or sale of securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis, forward foreign currency exchange contracts and collateral and collateral arrangements relating thereto, and collateral arrangements with respect to futures contracts and options thereon and with respect to the writing of options and obligations of the Fund to Directors pursuant to deferred compensation arrangements are not deemed to be a pledge of assets or the issuance of a senior security.
- 4. Purchase any security (other than obligations of the U.S. Government, its agencies or instrumentalities) if as a result: (i) with respect to 75% of the Fund's total assets, more than 5% of the Fund's total assets (determined at the time of investment) would then be invested in securities of a single issuer, or (ii) 25% or more of the Fund's total assets (determined at the time of the investment) would be invested in a single industry.
 - 5. Buy or sell real estate or interests in real estate, except that

the Fund may purchase and sell securities which are secured by real estate, securities of companies which invest or deal in real estate and publicly traded securities of real estate investment trusts. The Fund may not purchase interests in real estate limited partnerships which are not readily marketable.

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- 6. Buy or sell commodities or commodity contracts, except that the Fund may purchase and sell financial futures contracts and options thereon. (For purposes of this restriction, futures contracts on currencies and on securities indices and forward foreign currency exchange contracts are not deemed to be commodities or commodity contracts.)
- 7. Act as underwriter except to the extent that, in connection with the disposition of portfolio securities, it may be deemed to be an underwriter under certain federal securities laws. The Fund has not adopted a fundamental investment policy with respect to investments in restricted securities. See "Illiquid Securities."
- 8. Make investments for the purpose of exercising control or management.
- 9. Invest in securities of other investment companies, except by purchases in the open market involving only customary brokerage commissions and as a result of which the Fund will not hold more than 3% of the outstanding voting securities of any one investment company, will not have invested more than 5% of its total assets in any one investment company and will not have invested more than 10% of its total assets (determined at the time of investment) in such securities of one or more investment companies, or except as part of a merger, consolidation or other acquisition.
- 10. Invest in interests in oil, gas or other mineral exploration or development programs, except that the Fund may invest in the securities of companies which invest in or sponsor such programs.
- 11. Make loans, except through (i) repurchase agreements and (ii) loans of portfolio securities limited to 30% of the Fund's total assets.
- 12. Purchase more than 10% of all outstanding voting securities of any one issuer.

Whenever any fundamental investment policy or investment restriction states a maximum percentage of the Fund's assets, it is intended that if the percentage limitation is met at the time the investment is made, a later change in percentage resulting from changing total or net asset values will not be considered a violation of such policy. However, in the event that the Fund's asset coverage for borrowings falls below 300%, the Fund will take prompt action to reduce its borrowings, as required by applicable law.

DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

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NAME, ADDRESS AND AGE	POSITION WITH THE FUND	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATIONS DURING PAST 5 YEARS	
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Edward D. Beach (71)	Director	President and Director of BMC Fund, Inc., a closed-end investment company; prior thereto, Vice Chairman of Broyhill Furniture Industries, Inc.; Certified Public Accountant; Secretary and Treasurer of Broyhill Family Foundation, Inc.; Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Mars Hill College.	
Stephen C. Eyre (73)	Director	Executive Director of The John A. Hartford Foundation, Inc. (charitable foundation) (since May 1985); Director of Faircom, Inc.; Trustee Emeritus of Pace University.	
Delayne Dedrick Gold (58)	Director	Marketing and Management Consultant.	

*Robert F. Gunia (49)	Vice President and Director	Comptroller, Prudential Investments (since May 1996); Senior Vice President (since March 1987) of Prudential Securities Incorporated (Prudential Securities); Director (since June 1987), Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc. (PMFS); formerly Chief Administrative Officer (July 1990-September 1996), Director (January 1989-September 1996), Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer (June 1987-September 1996) of Prudential Mutual Fund Management, Inc., Vice President and Director of The Asia Pacific Fund, Inc. (since May 1989).
Don G. Hoff (60)	Director	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Intertec, Inc. (investments) since 1980; Chairman and CEO of EHS, Inc.; Director of Innovative Capital Management Inc., The Asia Pacific

Fund, Inc. and The Greater China Fund, Inc.			B-13	
CALLON	POSITION WITH	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATIONS		
NAME, ADDRESS AND AGE	THE FUND	DURING PAST 5 YEARS		
Robert E. LaBlanc (62)	Director	President of Robert E. LaBlanc Associates, Inc. (telecommunications) since 1981; formerly General Partner at Salomon Brothers; formerly Vice Chairman of Continental Telecom; Director of Storage Technology Corporation, Titan Corporation, Tribune Company; Trustee of Manhattan College.		
*Mendel A. Melzer (35)	Director	Chief Investment Officer of Prudential Mutual Funds; former Chief Financial Officer (November 1995-October 1996) of Prudential Investments; formerly Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Prudential Preferred Financial Services (April 1993-November 1995); Managing Director of Prudential Investment Advisors (April 1991-April 1993); Senior Vice President of Prudential Capital Corporation (July 1989-April 1991); Chairman and Director of Prudential Series Fund, Inc.		
*Richard A. Redeker (53)	President and Director	Employee of Prudential Investments; former President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (October 1993-September 1996) of PMF; former Executive Vice President, Director and Member of the Operating Committee (1993-September 1996). Prudential Securities; Director (since October 1993) of Prudential Securities Group, Inc.; formerly Senior Executive Vice President and Director of Kemper Financial Services, Inc. (September		
Robin B. Smith (57)	Director	1978-September 1993). Chairman (since August 1996) and Chief Executive Officer (since January 1988), formerly President (September 1981-August 1996) of Publishers Clearing House; Director of BellSouth Corporation, The Omnicom Group, Inc., Texaco Inc., Spring Industries Inc. and Kmart Corporation.		
Stephen Stoneburn (53)	Director	President and Chief Executive Officer of Quadrant Media Corp. (a publishing company) (since June 1996); formerly President of Argus Integrated Media, Inc. (June 1995-June 1996); formerly Senior Vice President and Managing Director, Cowles Business Media (January 1993-1995); prior thereto. Senior Vice President (January 1991-1992) and Publishing Vice President (May 1989-December 1990) of Gralla Publications (a division of United Newspapers, U.K.); formerly Senior Vice President of Fairchild		
Nancy H. Teeters (66)	Director	Publications, Inc. Economist; formerly Vice President and Chief Economist (March 1986-June 1990) of International Business Machines Corporation; former Member of the Board of Governors of the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies of the University of Michigan; Director of Inland Steel Corporation (Since July 1991)		
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Unless otherwise noted the address for each of the above persons is c/o Prudential Mutual Fund Management LLC, Gateway Center Three, 100 Mulberry Street, 9th Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07102-4077.

* "Interested" director, as defined in the Investment Company Act, by reason of his affiliation with Prudential Securities or PMF.

Directors and officers of the Fund are also trustees, directors and officers of some or all of the other investment companies distributed by Prudential Securities.

Director of Inland Steel Corporation (since July 1991).

The officers conduct and supervise the daily business operations of the Fund, while the Directors, in addition to their functions set forth under "Manager" and "Distributor," oversee such actions and decide on general policy.

Pursuant to the Management Agreement with the Fund, the Manager pays all compensation of officers and employees of the Fund as well as the fees and expenses of all Directors of the Fund who are affiliated persons of the Manager.

The Fund pays each of its Directors who is not an affiliated person of PMF or The Prudential Investment Corporation (PIC) annual compensation of \$6,000, in addition to certain out-of-pocket expenses.

Directors may receive their Directors' fees pursuant to a deferred fee agreement with the Fund. Under the terms of the agreement, the Fund accrues daily the amount of Directors' fees which accrue interest at a rate equivalent to the prevailing rate applicable to 90-day U.S. Treasury bills at the beginning of each calendar quarter or, pursuant to an SEC exemptive order, at the daily rate of return of the Fund (the Fund rate). Payment of the interest so accrued is also deferred and accruals become payable at the option of the Director. The Fund's obligation to make payments of deferred Directors' fees, together with interest thereon, is a general obligation of the Fund.

The Directors have adopted a retirement policy which calls for the retirement of Directors on December 31 of the year in which they reach the age of 72, except that retirement is being phased in for Directors who were age 68 or older as of December 31, 1993. Under this phase-in provision, Messrs. Beach and Eyre are scheduled to retire on December 31, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement with the Fund, the Manager pays all compensation of officers and employees of the Fund as well as the fees and expenses of all Directors of the Fund who are affiliated persons of the Manager.

On October 30, 1996, at an annual meeting of shareholders, shareholders of record on August 9, 1996, voted to elect new Directors of the Fund and to continue the services of Ms. Gold and Messrs. Eyre, Hoff, LaBlanc and Redeker as Directors of the Fund. The following table sets forth the aggregate compensation paid by the Fund for the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996 to current Directors of the Fund, as well as to Directors of the Fund who served during the Fund's 1996 fiscal year. The table also shows aggregate compensation paid to those Directors for service on Boards and of all funds managed by Prudential Mutual Fund Management LLC, including the Fund, for the calendar year ended December 31, 1995.

COMPENSATION TABLE

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NAME AND POSITION	COMP	GREGATE ENSATION OM FUND	PENSION OR RETIREMENT BENEFITS ACCRUED AS PART OF FUND EXPENSES	ESTIMATED ANNUAL BENEFITS UPON RETIREMENT		COMPENSATION FROM FUND AND FUND COMPLEX PAID TO DIRECTORS
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Edward D. BeachDirector			None	N/A	\$	183,500(22/43)*
Stephen C. EyreDirector	\$	6,000	None	N/A	\$	41,000(4/5)*
Delayne D. GoldDirector	\$	6,000	None	N/A	\$	183,250(24/45)*
Robert F. Gunia (1) Director			None	N/A		0
Don G. HoffDirector	\$	6,000	None	N/A	\$	50,625(5/6)*
Harry A. Jacobs, Jr. (1) Former Director			None	N/A		0
Sidney R. KnafelFormer Director	\$	6,000	None	N/A	\$	35,500(4/5)*
Robert F. LaBlancDirector	\$	6,000	None	N/A	\$	35,500(4/5)*
Mendel A. Melzer (1) Director			None	N/A		0
Thomas A. Owens, JrFormer Director	\$	6,000	None	N/A	\$	87,000(12/13)*
Richard A. Redeker (1) Director			None	N/A		0
Robin B. SmithDirector	\$	6,000	None	N/A	\$	100,741(10,19)*
Stephen StoneburnDirector			None	N/A	\$	44,875(7/7)*
Nancy H. TeetersDirector			None	N/A	\$	107,500(13/31)*
Clay T. WhiteheadFormer Director	\$	6,000	None	N/A	\$	35,500(4/5)*

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^{*} Indicates number of funds/portfolios in Fund Complex (including the Fund) to which aggregate compensation relates.

(1) Directors who are "interested" do not receive compensation from Fund Complex (including the Fund).

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As of December 6, 1996, the Directors and officers of the Fund, as a group, owned less than 1% of the outstanding common stock of the Fund.

As of December 6, 1996, the beneficial owners, directly or indirectly, of more than 5% of the outstanding common stock of the Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc. were: Dr. Robert J. Weinstein & Mrs. Lois Weinstein Jt Ten, 875 N. Michigan Avenue, Ste 2930, Chicago, Illinois held 36,910 Class C shares (or approximately 9% of the outstanding Class C shares); Virtual World Entertainment Group, 1100 W. Cermak Road, Ste B404, Chicago, Illinois held 21,103 Class C shares (or approximately 5% of the outstanding Class C shares); Michael Moscone, Bruce Kaye CO-TTEES FBO M. Michael Moscone Charitable remainder Trust No. 2, 382 Cranbrook Court, Bloomfield, Missouri held 32,091 Class C shares (or approximately 8% of the outstanding Class C shares); and Prudential Trust Co. FBO Cash Balance Pension Plan Benefits Dept. 33rd Floor, One Seaport Plaza, New York, New York held 695,412 Class Z shares (or approximately 31% of the outstanding Class Z shares).

As of December 6, 1996, Prudential Securities was the record holder for other beneficial owners of 4,114,614 Class A shares (or approximately 82% of the outstanding Class A shares), 16,840,113 Class B shares (or approximately 85% of the outstanding Class B shares); 344,368 Class C shares (or approximately 84% of the outstanding Class C shares) and 4,498 Class Z shares (less than 1% of the outstanding Class Z shares) of the Fund. In the event of any meetings of shareholders, Prudential Securities will forward, or cause the forwarding of, proxy materials to the beneficial owners for which it is the record holder.

MANAGER

The manager of the Fund is Prudential Mutual Fund Management LLC (PMF or the Manager), Gateway Center Three, 100 Mulberry Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102-4077. PMF serves as manager to all of the other investment companies that, together with the Fund, comprise the Prudential Mutual Funds. See "How the Fund is Managed--Manager" in the Prospectus. As of November 30, 1996, PMF managed and/or administered open-end and closed-end management investment companies with assets of approximately \$53.4 billion. According to the Investment Company Institute, as of August 31, 1996, the Prudential Mutual Funds were the 17th largest family of mutual funds in the United States.

PMF is a subsidiary of Prudential Securities Incorporated and The Prudential Insurance Company of America (Prudential). PMF has three wholly-owned subsidiaries: Prudential Mutual Fund Distributors, Inc., Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc. (PMFS or the Transfer Agent) and Prudential Mutual Fund Investment Management, Inc. PMFS serves as the transfer agent for the Prudential Mutual Funds and, in addition, provides customer service, recordkeeping and management and administration services to qualified plans.

Pursuant to the Management Agreement with the Fund (the Management Agreement), PMF, subject to the supervision of the Fund's Board of Directors and in conformity with the stated policies of the Fund, manages both the investment operations of the Fund and the composition of the Fund's portfolio, including the purchase, retention, disposition and loan of securities. In connection therewith, PMF is obligated to keep certain books and records of the Fund. PMF also administers the Fund's corporate affairs and, in connection therewith, furnishes the Fund with office facilities, together with those ordinary clerical and bookkeeping services which are not being furnished by State Street Bank and Trust Company, the Fund's custodian, and Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc. (PMFS or the Transfer Agent), the Fund's transfer and dividend disbursing agent. The management services of PMF for the Fund are not exclusive under the terms of the Management Agreement and PMF is free to, and does, render management services to others.

For its services, PMF receives, pursuant to the Management Agreement, a fee at an annual rate of .75 of 1% of the Fund's average daily net assets. The fee is computed daily and payable monthly. The Management Agreement also provides that, in the event the expenses of the Fund (including the fees of PMF, but excluding interest, taxes, brokerage commissions, distribution fees and litigation and indemnification expenses and other extraordinary expenses not incurred in the ordinary course of the Fund's business) for any fiscal year exceed the lowest applicable annual expense limitation established and enforced pursuant to the statutes or regulations of any jurisdiction in which the Fund's

shares are qualified for offer and sale, the compensation due to PMF will be reduced by the amount of such excess. Reductions in excess of the total compensation payable to PMF will be paid by PMF to the Fund. No such reductions were required during the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996. Currently, the Fund believes that there are no such expense limitations.

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In connection with its management of the corporate affairs of the Fund, PMF bears the following expenses:

- (a) the salaries and expenses of all of its and the Fund's personnel except the fees and expenses of Directors who are not affiliated persons of PMF or the Fund's investment adviser;
- (b) all expenses incurred, by PMF or by the Fund in connection with managing the ordinary course of the Fund's business, other than those assumed by the Fund as described below; and
 - (c) the costs and expenses payable to PIC pursuant to the Subadvisory Agreement between PMF and PIC (the Subadvisory Agreement).

Under the terms of the Management Agreement, the Fund is responsible for the payment of the following expenses: (a) the fees payable to the Manager, (b) the fees and expenses of Directors who are not affiliated persons of the Manager or the Fund's investment adviser, (c) the fees and certain expenses of the Custodian and Transfer and Dividend Disbursing Agent, including the cost of providing records to the Manager in connection with its obligation of maintaining required records of the Fund and of pricing the Fund's shares, (d) the charges and expenses of legal counsel and independent accountants for the Fund, (e) brokerage commissions and any issue or transfer taxes chargeable to the Fund in connection with its securities transactions, (f) all taxes and corporate fees payable by the Fund to governmental agencies, (g) the fees of any trade associations of which the Fund may be a member, (h) the cost of stock certificates representing shares of the Fund, (i) the cost of fidelity and liability insurance, (j) certain organization expenses of the Fund and the fees and expenses involved in registering and maintaining registration of the Fund and of its shares with the SEC, registering the Fund and qualifying its shares under state securities laws, including the preparation and printing of the Fund's registration statements and prospectuses for such purposes, (k) allocable communications expenses with respect to investor services and all expenses of shareholders' and Directors' meetings and of preparing, printing and mailing reports, proxy statements and prospectuses to shareholders in the amount necessary for distribution to the shareholders, (1) litigation and indemnification expenses and other extraordinary expenses not incurred in the ordinary course of the Fund's business and (m) distribution fees.

The Management Agreement provides that PMF will not be liable for any error of judgment or for any loss suffered by the Fund in connection with the matters to which the Management Agreement relates, except a loss resulting from willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of duty. The Management Agreement provides that it will terminate automatically if assigned, and that it may be terminated without penalty by either party upon not more than 60 days' nor less than 30 days' written notice. The Management Agreement will continue in effect for a period of more than two years from the date of execution only so long as such continuance is specifically approved at least annually in conformity with the Investment Company Act.

For the fiscal years ended October 31, 1996, 1995 and 1994, PMF received management fees of \$3,692,994, \$3,542,363 and \$3,726,394, respectively.

PMF has entered into the Subadvisory Agreement with PIC (the Subadviser), a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Prudential Insurance Company of America (Prudential). The Subadvisory Agreement provides that PIC will furnish investment advisory services in connection with the management of the Fund. In connection therewith, PIC is obligated to keep certain books and records of the Fund. PMF continues to have responsibility for all investment advisory services pursuant to the Management Agreement and supervises PIC's performance of such services. PIC is reimbursed by PMF for the reasonable costs and expenses incurred by PIC in furnishing those services. Investment advisory services are provided to the Fund by a unit at PIC, known as Prudential Mutual Fund Investment Management.

The Subadvisory Agreement provides that it will terminate in the event of its assignment (as defined in the Investment Company Act) or upon the termination of the Management Agreement. The Subadvisory Agreement may be terminated by the Fund, PMF or PIC upon not more than 60 days', nor less than 30

days', written notice. The Subadvisory Agreement provides that it will continue in effect for a period of more than two years from its execution only so long as such continuance is specifically approved at least annually in accordance with the requirements of the Investment Company Act.

DISTRIBUTOR

Prudential Securities Incorporated (Prudential Securities), One Seaport Plaza, New York, New York 10292, acts as the distributor of the Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z shares of the Fund. Prior to January 2, 1996, Prudential Mutual Fund Distributors, Inc. (PMFD), One Seaport Plaza, New York, New York 10292, acted as distributor of the Class A shares of the Fund.

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Pursuant to separate Distribution and Service Plans (the Class A Plan, the Class B Plan and the Class C Plan, collectively, the Plans) adopted by the Fund under Rule 12b-1 under the Investment Company Act and separate distribution agreements (the Distribution Agreements), Prudential Securities (the Distributor) incurs the expenses of distributing the Fund's Class A, Class B and Class C shares. Prudential Securities serves as the Distributor of the Class Z shares and incurs the expenses of distributing the Fund's Class Z shares under a Distribution Agreement with the Fund, none of which are reimbursed or paid for by the Fund. See "How the Fund is Managed--Distributor" in the Prospectus.

CLASS A PLAN. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996, PMFD and Prudential Securities received payments of \$265,371, under the Class A Plan. This amount was expended on commission credits to Prudential Securities and Pruco Securities Corporation, an affiliated broker-dealer (Prusec), for payments of commissions and account servicing fees to financial advisers and other persons who sell Class A shares. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996, PMFD and Prudential Securities also received approximately \$363,000 in initial sales charges.

CLASS B PLAN. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996, Prudential Securities received \$3,575,481 from the Fund under the Class B Plan and spent approximately \$2,908,300 in distributing the Class B shares of the Fund. It is estimated that of the latter amount approximately \$20,000 (0.7%) was spent on printing and mailing of prospectuses to other than current shareholders; \$208,000 (7.2%) on compensation to Prusec for commissions to its representatives and other expenses, including an allocation on account of overhead and other branch office distribution-related expenses incurred by it for distribution of Class B shares; and \$2,681,000 (92.2%) on the aggregate of (i) payments of commissions and account servicing fees to its financial advisers (\$1,593,000 or 54.8%) and (ii) an allocation on account of overhead and other branch office distribution-related expenses (\$1,088,000 or 37.4\$); The term "overhead and other branch office distribution-related expenses" represents (a) the expenses of operating Prusec's and Prudential Securities' branch offices in connection with the sale of Fund shares, including lease costs, the salaries and employee benefits of operations and sales support personnel, utility costs, communications costs and the costs of stationery and supplies, (b) the costs of client sales seminars, (c) expenses of mutual fund sales coordinators to promote the sale of Fund shares, and (d) other incidental expenses relating to branch promotion of Fund sales.

Prudential Securities also receives the proceeds of contingent deferred sales charges paid by holders of Class B shares upon certain redemptions of Class B shares. See "Shareholder Guide--How to Sell Your Shares--Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" in the Prospectus. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996, Prudential Securities received approximately \$1,167,000 in contingent deferred sales charges.

CLASS C PLAN. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996, Prudential Securities received \$64,016 from the Fund under the Class C Plan and spent approximately \$69,700 in distributing the Class C shares of the Fund. It is estimated that of the latter amount approximately \$1,800 (2.6%) was spent on printing and mailing of prospectuses to other than current shareholders; \$1,100 (2.4%) on compensation to Prusec for commissions to its representatives and other expenses, including an allocation on account of overhead and other branch office distribution-related expenses incurred by it for distribution of Class C shares; and \$66,200 (95.0%) on the aggregate of (i) payments of commissions and account servicing fees to its financial advisers \$\$35,000 or \$50.2\$) and (ii) an allocation on account of overhead and other branch office distribution-related

expenses (\$31,200 or 44.8%); The term "overhead and other branch office distribution-related expenses" represents (a) the expenses of operating Prusec's and Prudential Securities' branch offices in connection with the sale of Fund shares, including lease costs, the salaries and employee benefits operations and sales support personnel, utility costs, communications costs and the costs of stationery and supplies, (b) the costs of client sales seminars, (c) expenses of mutual fund sales coordinators to promote the sale of Fund shares, and (d) other incidental expenses relating to branch promotion of Fund sales.

Prudential Securities also receives the proceeds of contingent deferred sales charges paid by investors upon certain redemptions of Class C shares. See "Shareholder Guide--How to Sell Your Shares--Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" in the Prospectus. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996, Prudential Securities received contingent deferred sales charges of approximately \$6,000.

The Class A, Class B and Class C Plans will continue in effect from year to year, provided that each such continuance is approved at least annually by a vote of the Board of Directors, including a majority vote of the Rule 12b-1 Directors, cast in person at a meeting called for the purpose of voting on such continuance. The Plans may each be terminated at any time, without penalty, by the vote of a majority of the Rule 12b-1 Directors or by the vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of the applicable class on not more than 30 days' written notice to any other party to the Plans. The Plans may not be amended to increase materially the amounts to be spent for the services described therein without approval by the shareholders of the applicable class (by both Class A and Class B shareholders, voting separately, in the case of material amendments to the Class A

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Plan), and all material amendments are required to be approved by the Board of Directors in the manner described above. Each Plan will automatically terminate in the event of its assignment. The Fund will not be contractually obligated to pay expenses incurred under any Plan if it is terminated or not continued.

Pursuant to each Plan, the Board of Directors will review at least quarterly a written report of the distribution expenses incurred on behalf of each class of shares of the Fund by the Distributor. The report includes an itemization of the distribution expenses and the purposes of such expenditures. In addition, as long as the Plans remain in effect, the selection and nomination of Rule 12b-1 Directors shall be committed to the Rule 12b-1 Directors.

On October 21, 1993, PSI entered into an omnibus settlement with the SEC, state securities regulators in 51 jurisdictions and the NASD to resolve allegations that PSI sold interests in more than 700 limited partnerships (and a limited number of other types of securities) from January 1, 1980 through December 31, 1990, in violation of securities laws to persons for whom such securities were not suitable in light of the individuals' financial condition or investment objectives. It was also alleged that the safety, potential returns and liquidity of the investments had been misrepresented. The limited partnerships principally involved real estate, oil and gas producing properties and aircraft leasing ventures. The SEC Order (i) included findings that PSI's conduct violated the federal securities laws and that and that an order issued by the SEC in 1986 requiring PSI to adopt, implement and maintain certain supervisory procedures had not been complied with; (ii) directed PSI to cease and desist from violating the federal securities laws and imposed a \$10 million civil penalty; and (iii) required PSI to adopt certain remedial measures including the establishment of a Compliance Committee of its Board of Directors. Pursuant to the terms of the SEC settlement, PSI established a settlement fund in the amount of \$330,000,000 and procedures, overseen by a court approved Claims Administrator, to resolve legitimate claims for compensatory damages by purchasers of the partnership interests. PSI has agreed to provide additional funds, if necessary, for that purpose. PSI's settlement with the state securities regulators included an agreement to pay a penalty of \$500,000 per jurisdiction. PSI consented to a censure and to the payment of a \$5,000,000 fine in settling the NASD action. In settling the above referenced matters, PSI neither admitted nor denied the allegations asserted against it.

On January 18, 1994, PSI agreed to the entry of a Final Consent Order and a Parallel Consent Order by the Texas Securities Commissioner. The firm also entered into a related agreement with the Texas Securities Commissioner. The allegations were that the firm had engaged in improper sales practices and other improper conduct resulting in pecuniary losses and other harm to investors residing in Texas with respect to purchases and sales of limited partnership interests during the period of January 1, 1980 through December 31, 1990. Without admitting or denying the allegations, PSI consented to a reprimand, agreed to cease and desist from future violations, and to provide voluntary donations to the State of Texas in the aggregate amount of \$1,500,000. The firm agreed to suspend the creation of new customer accounts, the general solicitation of new accounts, and the offer for sale of securities in or from

PSI's North Dallas office to new customers during a period of twenty consecutive business days, and agreed that its other Texas offices would be subject to the same restrictions for a period of five consecutive business days. PSI also agreed to institute training programs for its securities salesmen in Texas.

On October 27, 1994, Prudential Securities Group, Inc. and PSI entered into agreements with the United States Attorney deferring prosecution (provided PSI complies with the terms of the agreement for three years) for any alleged criminal activity related to the sale of certain limited partnership programs from 1983 to $199\overline{0}$. In connection with these agreements, PSI agreed to add the sum of \$330,000,000 to the Fund established by the SEC and executed a stipulation providing for a reversion of such funds to the United States Postal Inspection Service. PSI further agreed to obtain a mutually acceptable outside director to sit on the Board of Directors of PSG and the Compliance Committee of PSI. The new director serves as an independent "ombudsman" whom PSI employees can call anonymously with complaints about ethics and compliance. Prudential Securities reports any allegations or instances of criminal conduct and material improprieties to the new director. The new director submits compliance reports which identify all such allegations or instances of criminal conduct and material improprieties every three months and shall continue to do so for a three-year period.

NASD MAXIMUM SALES CHARGE RULE. Pursuant to rules of the NASD, the Distributor is required to limit aggregate initial sales charges, deferred sales charges and asset-based sales charges to 6.25% of total gross sales of each class of shares. Interest charges on unreimbursed distribution expenses equal to the prime rate plus one percent per annum may be added to the 6.25% limitation. Sales from the reinvestment of dividends and distributions are not required to be included in the calculation of the 6.25% limitation. The annual asset-based sales charge on shares of the Fund may not exceed .75 of 1% per class. The 6.25% limitation applies to the Fund rather than on a per shareholder basis. If aggregate sales charges were to exceed 6.25% of total gross sales of any class, all sales charges on shares of that class would be suspended.

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PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS AND BROKERAGE

The Manager is responsible for decisions to buy and sell securities, futures and options on securities and futures for the Fund, the selection of brokers, dealers and futures commission merchants to effect the transactions and the negotiation of brokerage commissions, if any. The term "Manager" as used in this section includes the Subadviser. On a national securities exchange, broker-dealers may receive negotiated brokerage commissions on Fund portfolio transactions, including options and the purchase and sale of underlying securities upon the exercise of options. On foreign securities exchanges, commissions may be fixed. Orders may be directed to any broker or futures commission merchant including, to the extent and in the manner permitted by applicable law, Prudential Securities and its affiliates.

Equity securities traded in the over-the-counter market and bonds, including convertible bonds, are generally traded on a "net" basis with dealers acting as principal for their own accounts without a stated commission, although the price of the security usually includes a profit to the dealer. In underwritten offerings, securities are purchased at a fixed price which includes an amount of compensation to the underwriter, generally referred to as the underwriter's concession or discount. On occasion, certain money market instruments and U.S. Government agency securities may be purchased directly from the issuer, in which case no commissions or discounts are paid. The Fund will not deal with Prudential Securities or any affiliate acts as principal. Thus, it will not deal with Prudential Securities acting as market maker, and it will not execute a negotiated trade with Prudential Securities if execution involves Prudential Securities' acting as principal with respect to any part of the Fund's order.

In placing orders for portfolio securities of the Fund, the Manager is required to give primary consideration to obtaining the most favorable price and efficient execution. Within the framework of this policy, the Manager will consider the research and investment services provided by brokers, dealers or futures commission merchants who effect or are parties to portfolio transactions of the Fund, the Manager or the Manager's other clients. Such research and investment services are those which brokerage houses customarily provide to institutional investors and include statistical and economic data and research reports on particular companies and industries. Such services are used by the Manager in connection with all of its investment activities, and some of such services obtained in connection with the execution of transactions for the Fund may be used in managing other investment accounts. Conversely, brokers, dealers or futures commission merchants furnishing such services may be selected for the execution of transactions of such other accounts, whose aggregate assets are far larger than the Fund's, and the services furnished by such brokers, dealers or futures commission merchants may be used by the Manager in providing investment management for the Fund. Commission rates are established pursuant to negotiations with the broker, dealer or futures commission merchant based on the

quality and quantity of execution services provided by the broker in the light of generally prevailing rates. The Manager's policy is to pay higher commissions to brokers, other than Prudential Securities, for particular transactions than might be charged if a different broker had been selected, on occasions when, in the Manager's opinion, this policy furthers the objective of obtaining best price and execution. In addition, the Manager is authorized to pay higher commissions on brokerage transactions for the Fund to brokers other than Prudential Securities in order to secure research and investment services described above, subject to review by the Fund's Board of Directors from time to time as to the extent and continuation of this practice. The allocation or orders among brokers and the commission rates paid are reviewed periodically by the Fund's Board of Directors. The Fund will not pay up for research in principal transactions.

Portfolio securities may not be purchased from any underwriting or selling syndicate of which Prudential Securities, or any affiliate, during the existence of the syndicate, is a principal underwriter (as defined in the Investment Company Act), except in accordance with rules of the SEC. This limitation, in the opinion of the Fund, will not significantly affect the Fund's ability to pursue its present investment objective. However, in the future in other circumstances, the Fund may be at a disadvantage because of this limitation in comparison to other funds with similar objectives but not subject to such

Subject to the above considerations, Prudential Securities may act as a securities broker or futures commission merchant for the Fund. In order for Prudential Securities (or any affiliate) to effect any portfolio transactions for the Fund, the commissions, fees or other remuneration received by Prudential Securities (or any affiliate) must be reasonable and fair compared to the commissions, fees or other remuneration paid to other brokers or futures commission merchants in connection with comparable transactions involving similar securities or futures being purchased or sold on an exchange during a comparable period of time. This standard would allow Prudential Securities (or any affiliate) to receive no more than the remuneration which would be expected to be received by an unaffiliated broker or futures commission merchant in a commensurate arm's-length transaction. Furthermore, the Board of Directors of the Fund, including a majority of the noninterested Directors, has adopted procedures which are reasonably designed to provide that any commissions, fees or other remuneration paid to Prudential Securities (or any

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affiliate) are consistent with the foregoing standard. In accordance with Section 11(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Prudential Securities may not retain compensation for effecting transactions on a national securities exchange for the Fund unless the Fund has expressly authorized the retention of such compensation. Prudential Securities must furnish to the Fund at least annually a statement setting forth the total amount of all compensation retained by Prudential Securities from transactions effected for the Fund during the applicable period. Brokerage and futures transactions with Prudential Securities (or any affiliate) are also subject to such fiduciary standards as may be imposed upon Prudential Securities (or such affiliate) by applicable law.

For the fiscal years ended October 31, 1996, 1995 and 1994 the Fund paid brokerage commissions of \$3,489,060, \$2,136,278 and \$3,003,304, respectively. During the fiscal years ended October 31, 1996 and 1995, \$85,679 and \$47,366, respectively, of such commissions were paid to Prudential Securities. No commissions were paid to Prudential Securities in the fiscal year ended October 31, 1994.

PURCHASE AND REDEMPTION OF FUND SHARES

Shares of the Fund may be purchased at a price equal to the next determined net asset value per share plus a sales charge which, at the election of the investor, may be imposed either (i) at the time of purchase (Class A shares) or (ii) on a deferred basis (Class B or Class C shares). Class Z shares of the Fund are offered to a limited group of investors at net asset value without any sales charge. See "Shareholder Guide--How to Buy Shares of the Fund" in the Prospectus.

Each class represents an interest in the same assets of the Fund and is identical in all respects except that (i) each class is subject to different sales charges and distribution and/or service fees (except for Class Z shares, which are not subject to any sales charge or distribution and/or service fee), which may affect performance, (ii) each class has exclusive voting rights on any matter submitted to shareholders that relates solely to its arrangement and has separate voting rights on any matter submitted to shareholders in which the interests of one class differ from the interests of any other class, (iii) each class has a different exchange privilege, (iv) only class B shares have a conversion feature and (v) Class Z shares are offered exclusively for sale to a

limited group of investors. See "Distributor" and "Shareholder Investment Account--Exchange Privilege."

SPECIMEN PRICE MAKE-UP

Under the current distribution arrangements between the Fund and the Distributor, Class A shares are sold at a maximum sales charge of 5% and Class B*, Class C* and Class Z shares are sold at net asset value. Using the Fund's net asset value at October 31, 1996, the maximum offering price of the Fund's shares is as follows:

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CLASS A Net asset value and redemption price per Class A share Maximum sales charge (5% of offering price)	\$ 15.86
Offering price to public	\$ 16.69
CLASS B Net asset value, offering price and redemption price per Class B share*	\$ 15.40
CLASS C Net asset value, offering price and redemption price per Class C share*	\$ 15.40
CLASS Z Net asset value, offering price and redemption price per Class Z share	\$ 15.89

 |* Class B and Class C shares are subject to a contingent deferred sales charge on certain redemptions. See "Shareholder Guide--How to Sell Your Shares--Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" in the Prospectus.

REDUCTION OR WAIVER OF INITIAL SALES CHARGES--CLASS A SHARES

COMBINED PURCHASE AND CUMULATIVE PURCHASE PRIVILEGE. If an investor or eligible group of related investors purchases Class A shares of the Fund concurrently with Class A shares of other Prudential Mutual Funds, the purchases may be combined to take advantage of the reduced sales charges applicable to larger purchases. See the table of breakpoints under "Shareholder Guide--Alternative Purchase Plan" in the Prospectus.

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An eligible group of related Fund investors includes any combination of the following:

- (a) an individual;
- (b) the individual's spouse, their children and their parents;
- (c) the individual's and spouse's Individual Retirement Account (IRA);
- (d) any company controlled by the individual (a person, entity or group that holds 25% or more of the outstanding voting securities of a company will be deemed to control the company, and a partnership will be deemed to be controlled by each of its general partners);
 - (e) a trust created by the individual, the beneficiaries of which are the individual, his or her spouse, parents or children;
 - (f) a Uniform Gifts to Minors Act/Uniform Transfers to Minors Act account created by the individual or the individual's spouse; and
 - (g) one or more employee benefit plans of a company controlled by an individual.

In addition, an eligible group of related Fund investors may include an employer (or group of related employers) and one or more qualified retirement plans of such employer or employers (an employer controlling, controlled by or

under common control with another employer is deemed related to that employer).

The Distributor must be notified at the time of purchase that the investor is entitled to a reduced sales charge. The reduced sales charge will be granted subject to confirmation of the investor's holdings. The Combined Purchase and Cumulative Purchase Privilege does not apply to individual participants in any retirement or group plans.

RIGHTS OF ACCUMULATION. Reduced sales charges are also available through Rights of Accumulation, under which an investor or an eligible group of related investors, as described above under "Combined Purchase and Cumulative Purchase Privilege," may aggregate the value of their existing holdings of shares of the Fund and shares of other Prudential Mutual Funds (excluding money market funds other than those acquired pursuant to the exchange privilege) to determine the reduced sales charge. However, the value of shares held directly with the Transfer Agent and through Prudential Securities will not be aggregated to determine the reduced sales charge. All shares must be held either directly with the Transfer Agent or through Prudential Securities. The value of existing holdings for purposes of determining the reduced sales charge is calculated using the maximum offering or price (net asset value plus maximum sales charge) as of the previous business day. See "How the Fund Values its Shares" in the Prospectus. The Distributor must be notified at the time of purchase that the investor is entitled to a reduced sales charge. The reduced sales charges will be granted subject to confirmation of the investor's holdings. Rights of Accumulation are not available to individual participants in any retirement or group plans.

LETTERS OF INTENT. Reduced sales charges are available to investors (or an eligible group of related investors), including retirement and group plans, who enter into a written Letter of Intent providing for the purchase, within a thirteen-month period, of shares of the Fund and shares of other Prudential Mutual Funds (Investment Letter of Intent). Retirement and group plans may also qualify to purchase Class A shares at net asset value by entering into a Letter of Intent whereby they agree to enroll, within a thirteen month period, as specified number of eligible employees or participants (Participant Letter of Intent).

For purposes of the Investment Letter of Intent, all shares of a Fund and shares of other Prudential Mutual Funds (excluding money market funds other than those acquired pursuant to the exchange privilege) which were previously purchased and are still owned are also included in determining the applicable reduction. However, the value of shares held directly with the Transfer Agent and through Prudential Securities will not be aggregated to determine the reduced sales charge. All shares must be held either directly with the Transfer Agent or through Prudential Securities.

A Letter of Intent permits a purchaser, in the case of an Investment Letter of Intent, to establish a total investment goal to be achieved by any number of investments over a thirteen-month period, and in the case of a Participant Letter of Intent, to establish a minimum eligible employee or participant enrollment goal over a thirteen-month period. Each investment made during the period, in the case of an Investment Letter of Intent, will receive the reduced sales charge applicable to the amount represented by the goal, as if it were a single investment. In the case of a Participant Letter of Intent, each investment made during the period will be made at net asset value. Escrowed Class A shares totaling 5% of the dollar amount of the Letter of Intent will be held by the Transfer Agent in the name of the purchaser, except in the case of retirement and group plans where the employer or plan

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sponsor will be responsible for paying any applicable sales charge. The effective date of an Investment Letter of Intent (except in the case of retirement and group plans) may be back-dated up to 90 days, in order that any investments made during this 90-day period, valued at the purchaser's cost, can be applied to the fulfillment of the Letter of Intent goal.

The Investment Letter of Intent does not obligate the investor to purchase, nor the Fund to sell, the indicated amount. Similarly, the Participant Letter of Intent does not obligate the retirement or group plan to enroll the indicated number of eligible employees or participants. In the event the Letter of Intent goal is not achieved within the thirteen-month period, the purchaser (or the employer or plan sponsor in the case of any retirement or group plan) is required to pay the difference between the sales charge otherwise applicable to the purchases made during this period and sales charges actually paid. Such payment may be made directly to the Distributor or, if not paid, the Distributor

will liquidate sufficient escrowed shares to obtain such difference. Investors electing to purchase Class A shares of a Fund pursuant to a Letter of Intent should carefully read such Letter of Intent.

The Distributor must be notified at the time of purchase that the investor is entitled to a reduced sales charge. The reduced sales charge will, in the case of an Investment Letter of Intent, be granted subject to confirmation of the investor's holdings or, in the case of a Participant Letter of Intent, subject to confirmation of the number of eligible employees or participants in the retirement or group plan. Letters of Intent are not available to individual participants in any retirement or group plans.

WAIVER OF THE CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGE--CLASS B SHARES.

The contingent deferred sales charge is waived under circumstances described in the Prospectus. See "Shareholder Guide--How to Sell Your Shares--Waiver of Contingent Deferred Sales Charges--Class B Shares" in the Prospectus. In connection with these waivers, the Transfer Agent will require you to submit the supporting documentation set forth below.

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CATEGORY OF WAIVER

Death

Disability—An individual will be considered disabled if he or she is unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or to be of long—continued and indefinite duration. Distribution from an IRA or 403(b)

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Distribution from Retirement Plan

Excess Contributions

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

A copy of the shareholder's death certificate or, in the case of a trust, a copy of the grantor's death certificate, plus a copy of the trust agreement identifying the grantor.

A copy of the Social Security Administration award letter or a letter from a physician on the physician's letterhead stating that the shareholder

physician's letterhead stating that the shareholder (or, in the case of a trust, the grantor) is permanently disabled. The letter must also indicate the date of disability.

A copy of the distribution form from the custodial firm indicating (i) the date of birth of the shareholder and (ii) that the shareholder is over age 59 1/2 and is taking a normal distribution--signed by the shareholder. A letter signed by the plan administrator/trustee indicating the reason for the distribution. A letter from the shareholder (for an IRA) or the plan administrator/ trustee on company letterhead indicating the amount of the excess and whether or not taxes have been paid.

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The Transfer Agent reserves the right to request such additional documents as it may deem appropriate.

QUANTITY DISCOUNT--CLASS B SHARES PURCHASED PRIOR TO AUGUST 1, 1994. The CDSC is reduced on redemptions of Class B shares of the Fund purchased prior to August 1, 1994 if immediately after a purchase of such shares, the aggregate cost of all Class B shares of the Fund owned by you in a single account exceeds \$500,000. For example, if you purchased \$100,000 of Class B shares of the Fund and the following year purchase an additional \$450,000 of Class B shares with the result that the

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aggregate cost of your Class B shares of the Fund following the second purchase was \$550,000, the quantity discount would be available for the second purchase of \$450,000 but not for the first purchase of \$100,000. The quantity discount will be imposed at the following rates depending on whether the aggregate value exceeded \$500,000 or \$1 million:

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CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGE
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YEAR SINCE PURCHASE PAYMENT MADE	\$500,001 TO \$1 MILLION						
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First	3.0%	2.0%					
Second	2.0%	1.0%					
Third	1.0%	0%					

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You must notify the Fund's Transfer Agent either directly or through Prudential Securities or Prusec, at the time of redemption, that you are entitled to the reduced CDSC. The reduced CDSC will be granted subject to confirmation of your holdings.

SHAREHOLDER INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

Upon the initial purchase of Fund shares, a Shareholder Investment Account established for each investor under which a record of the shares held is maintained by the Transfer Agent. If a stock certificate is desired, it must be requested in writing for each transaction. Certificates are issued only for full shares and may be redeposited in the Account at any time. There is no charge to the investor for issuance of a certificate. The Fund makes available to its shareholders the following privileges and plans.

AUTOMATIC REINVESTMENT OF DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS. For the convenience of investors, all dividends and distributions are automatically reinvested in full and fractional shares of the Fund. An investor may direct the Transfer Agent in writing not less than five full business days prior to the record date to have subsequent dividends or distributions sent in cash rather than reinvested. In the case of recently purchased shares for which registration instructions have not been received on the record date, cash payment will be made directly to the dealer. Any shareholder who receives a cash payment representing a dividend or distribution may reinvest such dividend or distribution at net asset value by returning the check or the proceeds to the Transfer Agent within 30 days after the payment date. Such investment will be made at the net asset value per share next determined after receipt of the check or proceeds by the Transfer Agent. Such shareholder will receive credit for any contingent deferred sales charge paid in connection with the amount of proceeds being reinvested.

EXCHANGE PRIVILEGE. The Fund makes available to its shareholders the privilege of exchanging their shares of the Fund for shares of certain other Prudential Mutual Funds, including one or more specified money market funds, subject in each case to the minimum investment requirements of such funds. Shares of such other Prudential Mutual Funds may also be exchanged for shares of the Fund. All exchanges are made on the basis of relative net asset value next determined after receipt of an order in proper form. An exchange will be treated as a redemption and purchase for tax purposes. Shares may be exchanged for shares of another fund only if shares of such fund may legally be sold under applicable state laws. For retirement and group plans having a limited menu of Prudential Mutual Funds, the Exchange Privilege is available for those funds eligible for investment in the particular program.

It is contemplated that the Exchange Privilege may be applicable to new mutual funds whose shares may be distributed by the Distributor.

CLASS A. Shareholders of the Fund may exchange their Class A shares for Class A shares of certain other Prudential Mutual Funds, shares of Prudential Structured Maturity Fund and Prudential Government Securities Trust (Short-Intermediate Term Series) and shares of the money market funds specified below. No fee or sales load will be imposed upon the exchange. Shareholders of money market funds who acquired such shares upon exchange of Class A shares may use the Exchange Privilege only to acquire Class A shares of the Prudential Mutual Funds participating in the Exchange Privilege.

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The following money market funds participate in the Class A Exchange $\ensuremath{\operatorname{Privilege}}$:

Prudential California Municipal Fund
(California Money Market Series)
Prudential Government Securities Trust
(Money Market Series)
(U.S. Treasury Money Market Series)
Prudential Municipal Series Fund
(Connecticut Money Market Series)
(Massachusetts Money Market Series)
(New Jersey Money Market Series)
(New York Money Market Series)
Prudential MoneyMart Assets, Inc.
Prudential Tax-Free Money Fund, Inc.

CLASS B AND CLASS C. Shareholders of the Fund may exchange their Class B and Class C shares for Class B and Class C shares, respectively, of certain other Prudential Mutual Funds and shares of Prudential Special Money Market Fund,

Inc., a money market fund. No CDSC will be payable upon such exchange, but a CDSC may be payable upon the redemption of Class B and Class C shares acquired as a result of the exchange. The applicable sales charge will be that imposed by the fund in which shares were initially purchased and the purchase date will be deemed to be the date of the initial purchase, rather than the date of the exchange.

Class B and Class C shares of the Fund may also be exchanged for shares of an eligible money market fund without imposition of any CDSC at the time of exchange. Upon subsequent redemption from such money market fund or after reexchange into the Fund, such shares will be subject to the CDSC calculated without regard to the time such shares were held in the money market fund. In order to minimize the period of time in which shares are subject to a CDSC, shares exchanged out of the money market fund will be exchanged on the basis of their remaining holding periods, with the longest remaining holding periods being transferred first. In measuring the time period shares are held in a money market fund and "tolled" for purposes of calculating the CDSC holding period, exchanges are deemed to have been made on the last day of the month. Thus, if shares are exchanged into the Fund from a money market fund during the month (and are held in the Fund at the end of the month), the entire month will be included in the CDSC holding period. Conversely, if shares are exchanged into a money market fund prior to the last day of the month (and are held in the money market fund on the last day of the month), the entire month will be excluded from the CDSC holding period. For purposes of calculating the seven year holding period applicable to the Class B conversion feature, the time period during which Class B shares were held in a money market fund will be excluded.

At any time after acquiring shares of other funds participating in the Class B or Class C exchange privilege, a shareholder may again exchange those shares (and any reinvested dividends and distributions) for Class B or Class C shares of the Fund, respectively, without subjecting such shares to any CDSC. Shares of any fund participating in the Class B or Class C exchange privilege that were acquired through reinvestment of dividends or distributions may be exchanged for Class B or Class C shares of other funds, respectively, without being subject to any CDSC.

CLASS Z. CLASS Z SHARES MAY BE EXCHANGED FOR CLASS Z SHARES OF OTHER PRUDENTIAL MUTUAL FUNDS.

Additional details about the Exchange Privilege and prospectuses for each of the Prudential Mutual Funds are available from the Fund's Transfer Agent, Prudential Securities or Prusec.

The Exchange Privilege may be modified, terminated or suspended on 60 days' notice, and any fund, including the Fund, or the Distributor, has the right to reject any exchange application relating to such fund's shares.

DOLLAR COST AVERAGING

Dollar cost averaging is a method of accumulating shares by investing a fixed amount of dollars in shares at set intervals. An investor buys more shares when the price is low and fewer shares when the price is high. The average cost per share is lower than it would be if a constant number of shares were bought at set intervals.

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Dollar cost averaging may be used, for example, to plan for retirement, to save for a major expenditure, such as the purchase of a home, or to finance a college education. The cost of a year's education at a four-year college today averages around \$14,000 at a private college and around \$6,000 at a public university. Assuming these costs increase at a rate of 7% a year, as has been projected, for the freshman class beginning in 2011, the cost of four years at a private college could reach \$210,000 and over \$90,000 at a public university.(1)

The following chart shows how much you would need in monthly investments to achieve specified lump sums to finance your investment goals.(2)

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MONTHLY INVESTMENTS:	\$100	,000	\$150	,000	\$20	0,000	\$250	0,000
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25 Years	\$	110	\$	165	\$	220	\$	275
20 Years		176		264		352		440
15 Years		296		444		592		740
10 Years		555		833		1.110		1.388

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See "Automatic Savings Accumulation Plan."

(1) Source information concerning the costs of education at public and private universities is available from The College Board Annual Survey of Colleges, 1993. Average costs for private institutions include tuition, fees, room and board for the 1993-1994 academic year.

(2) The chart assumes an effective rate of return of 8% (assuming monthly compounding). This example is for illustrative purposes only and is not intended to reflect the performance of an investment in shares of the Fund. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares when redeemed may be worth more or less than their original cost.

AUTOMATIC SAVINGS ACCUMULATION PLAN (ASAP). Under ASAP, an investor may arrange to have a fixed amount automatically invested in shares of the Fund monthly by authorizing his or her bank account or Prudential Securities Account (including a Command Account) to be debited to invest specified dollar amounts in shares of the Fund. The investor's bank must be a member of the Automatic Clearing House System. Stock certificates are not issued to ASAP participants.

Further information about this program and an application form can be obtained from the Transfer Agent, Prudential Securities or Prusec.

SYSTEMATIC WITHDRAWAL PLAN. A systematic withdrawal plan is available to shareholders through Prudential Securities or the Transfer Agent. Such withdrawal plan provides for monthly or quarterly checks in any amount, except as provided below, up to the value of the shares in the shareholder's account. Withdrawals of Class B or Class C shares may be subject to a CDSC. See "Shareholder Guide--How to Sell Your Shares--Contingent Deferred Sales Charges" in the Prospectus.

In the case of shares held through the Transfer Agent (i) a \$10,000 minimum account value applies, (ii) withdrawals may not be for less than \$100 and (iii) the shareholder must elect to have all dividends and/or distributions automatically reinvested in additional full and fractional shares at net asset value on shares held under this plan. See "Shareholder Investment Account--Automatic Reinvestment of Dividends and/or Distributions."

Prudential Securities and the Transfer Agent act as agents for the shareholder in redeeming sufficient full and fractional shares to provide the amount of the periodic withdrawal payment. The systematic withdrawal plan may be terminated at any time, and the Distributor reserves the right to initiate a fee of up to \$5 per withdrawal, upon 30 days' written notice to the shareholder.

Withdrawal payments should not be considered as dividends, yield or income. If periodic withdrawals continuously exceed reinvested dividends and distributions, the shareholder's original investment will be correspondingly reduced and ultimately exhausted.

Furthermore, each withdrawal constitutes a redemption of shares, and any gain or loss realized must be recognized for federal income tax purposes. In addition, withdrawals made concurrently with purchases of additional shares are inadvisable because of the sales charges applicable to (i) the purchase of Class A shares and (ii) the withdrawal of Class B and Class C shares. Each shareholder should consult his or her own tax adviser with regard to the tax consequences of the plan, particularly if used in connection with a retirement plan.

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TAX-DEFERRED RETIREMENT PLANS. Various qualified retirement plans, including a 401(k) plan, self-directed individual retirement accounts and "tax-deferred accounts" under Section 403(b)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code are available through the Distributor. These plans are for use by both self-employed individuals and corporate employers. These plans permit either self-direction of accounts by participants, or a pooled account arrangement. Information regarding the establishment of these plans, and the administration, custodial fees and other details are available fom Prudential Securities or the Transfer Agent.

Investors who are considering the adoption of such a plan should consult with their own legal counsel or tax adviser with respect to the establishment and maintenance of any such plan.

TAX-DEFERRED RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS

INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS. An individual retirement account (IRA) permits the deferral of federal income tax on income earned in the account until the earnings are withdrawn. The following chart represents a comparison of the earnings in a personal savings account with those in an IRA, assuming a \$2,000 annual contribution, an 8% rate of return and a 39.6% federal income tax bracket and shows how much more retirement income can accumulate within an IRA as

opposed to a taxable individual savings account.

TAX-DEFERRED COMPOUNDING(1)

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CONTRIBUTIONS MADE OVER:	PERSONAL SAVINGS	IRA
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10 years	\$ 26,165	\$ 31,291
15 years	44,676	58,649
20 years	68,109	98,846
25 years	97 , 780	157,909
30 years	135,346	244,692

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(1) The chart is for illustrative purposes only and does not represent the performance of the Fund or any specific investment. It shows taxable versus tax-deferred compounding for the periods and on the terms indicated. Earnings in the IRA account will be subject to tax when withdrawn from the account.

MUTUAL FUND PROGRAMS

From time to time, the Fund may be included in a mutual fund program with other Prudential Mutual Funds. Under such a program, a group of portfolios will be selected and thereafter marketed collectively. Typically, these programs are created with an investment theme, E.G., to seek greater diversification, protection from interest rate movements or access to different management styles. In the event such a program is instituted, there may be a minimum investment requirement for the program as a whole. The Fund may waive or reduce the minimum initial investment requirements in connection with such a program.

The mutual funds in the program may be purchased individually or as a part of the program. Since the allocation of portfolios included in the program may not be appropriate for all investors, investors should consult their Prudential Securities Financial Adviser or Prudential/Pruco Securities Representative concerning the appropriate blend of portfolios for them. If investors elect to purchase the individual mutual funds that constitute the program in an investment ratio different from that offered by the program, the standard minimum investment requirements for the individual mutual funds will apply.

NET ASSET VALUE

Under the Investment Company Act, the Board of Directors is responsible for determining in good faith the fair value of securities of the Fund. In accordance with procedures adopted by the Board of Directors, the value of investments listed on a securities exchange and NASDAQ National Market System securities (other than options on stock and stock indices) are valued at the last sales price on the day of valuation, or, if there was no sale on such day, the mean between the last bid and asked prices on such day, as provided by a pricing service. Corporate bonds (other than convertible debt securities) and U.S. Government securities that are actively traded in the over-the-counter market, including listed securities for which the primary market is believed to be over-the-counter, are valued on the basis of valuations provided by a pricing service which uses information with respect to transactions in bonds, quotations from bond dealers, agency ratings, market transactions in comparable securities and various relationships between securities in determining value. Convertible debt securities that are actively traded in the over-

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the-counter market, including listed securities for which the primary value is believed to be over-the-counter, are valued at the mean between the last reported bid and asked prices provided by principal market makers. Options on stock and stock indices traded on an exchange are valued at the mean between the most recently quoted bid and asked prices on the respective exchange and futures contracts and options thereon are valued at their last sales prices as of the close of the commodities exchange or board of trade. Quotations of foreign securities in a foreign currency are converted to U.S. dollar equivalents at the current rate obtained from a recognized bank or dealer and forward currency exchange contracts are valued at the current cost of covering or offsetting such contracts. Should an extraordinary event, which is likely to affect the value of the security, occur after the close of an exchange on which a portfolio security is traded, such security will be valued at fair value considering factors determined in good faith by the investment adviser under procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Fund's Board of Directors.

Securities or other assets for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors. Short-term debt securities are valued at cost, with interest accrued or discount amortized to the date of maturity, if their original

maturity was 60 days or less, unless this is determined by the Board of Directors not to represent fair value. Short-term securities with remaining maturities of more than 60 days, for which market quotations are readily available, are valued at their current market quotations as supplied by an independent pricing agent or principal market maker. The Fund will compute its net asset value at 4:15 P.M., New York time, on each day the New York Stock Exchange is open for trading except on days on which no orders to purchase, sell or redeem Fund shares have been received or days on which changes in the value of the Fund's portfolio securities do not affect net asset value. In the event the New York Stock Exchange closes early on any business day, the net asset value of the Fund's shares shall be determined at a time between such closing and 4:15 P.M., New York time.

Net asset value is calculated separately for each class. The net asset value of Class B and Class C shares will generally be lower than the net asset value of Class A shares as a result of the larger distribution-related fee to which Class B and Class C shares are subject. The net asset value of Class Z shares will generally be higher than the net asset value of Class A, Class B or Class C shares as a result of the fact that the Class Z shares are not subject to any distribution or service fee. It is expected, however, that the net asset value per share of each class will tend to converge immediately after the recording of dividends, which will differ by approximately the amount of the distribution-related expense accrual differential among the classes.

TAXES

The Fund intends to qualify and to remain qualified as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code). This relieves the Fund (but not its shareholders) from paying federal income tax on income which is distributed to shareholders and permits net long-term capital gains of the Fund (i.e., the excess of net long-term capital gains over net short-term capital losses) to be treated as long-term capital gains of the shareholders, regardless of how long shareholders have held their shares in the Fund.

Qualification as a regulated investment company requires, among other things, that (a) at least 90% of the Fund's annual gross income (without reduction for losses from the sale or other disposition of securities) be derived from interest, dividends, payments with respect to securities loans, and gains from the sale or other disposition of securities or options thereon or foreign currencies, or other income (including, but not limited to, gains from options, futures or forward contracts) derived with respect to its business of investing in such securities or currencies; (b) the Fund derive less than 30% of its gross income from gains (without reduction for losses) from the sale or other disposition of securities, options thereon, futures contracts, options thereon, forward contracts and foreign currencies held for less than three months (except for foreign currencies directly related to the Fund's business of investing in foreign securities) (the short-short rule); (c) the Fund 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 Fund's assets is represented by cash, U.S. Government securities and other securities limited in respect of any one issuer to an amount not greater than 5% of the market value of the Fund's assets and 10% of the outstanding voting securities of such issuer, and (ii) not more than 25% of the value of its assets is invested in the securities of any one issuer (other than U.S. Government securities); and (d) the Fund distribute to its shareholders at least 90% of its net investment income (including short-term capital gains) other than long-term capital gains in each year.

Gains or losses on sales of securities by the Fund will be treated as long-term capital gains or losses if the securities have been held by it for more than one year except in certain cases where the Fund acquires a put or writes a call thereon or makes a short sale against—the—box. Other gains or losses on the sale of securities will be short—term capital gains or losses. Gains and

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losses on the sale, lapse or other termination of options on securities will generally be treated as gains and losses from the sale of securities (assuming they do not qualify as Section 1256 contracts). If an option written by the Fund on securities lapses or is terminated through a closing transaction, such as a repurchase by the Fund of the option from its holder, the Fund will generally realize short-term capital gain or loss. If securities are sold by the Fund pursuant to the exercise of a call option written by it, the Fund will include the premium received in the sale proceeds of the securities delivered in determining the amount of gain or loss on the sale. Certain of the Fund's transactions may be subject to wash sale, short sale, straddle and conversion transaction provisions of the Code. In addition, debt securities acquired by the Fund may be subject to original issue discount and market discount rules.

Special rules apply to certain options (such as options on stock indices), futures contracts and options thereon, and forward foreign currency exchange contracts in which the Fund may invest. See "Investment Objective and Policies." These investments will generally constitute Section 1256 contracts and will be required to be "marked to market" for federal income tax purposes at the end of

the Fund's taxable year; that is, treated as having been sold at market value. Except with respect to forward foreign currency exchange contracts, 60% of any gain or loss recognized on such deemed sales and on actual dispositions generally will be treated as long-term capital gain or loss, and the remainder will be treated as short-term capital gain or loss.

Gain or loss on the sale, lapse or other termination of options on stock and on narrowly-based stock indices will be capital gain or loss and will be long-term or short-term depending upon the holding period of the option. In addition, positions which are part of a straddle will be subject to certain wash sale and short sale provisions of the Code. In the case of a straddle, the Fund may be required to defer the recognition of losses on positions it holds to the extent of any unrecognized gain on offsetting positions held by the Fund. The conversion transaction rules also may apply to convert capital gain into ordinary income.

The Fund's ability to hold foreign currencies, engage in hedging activities, or close out certain positions, may be limited by the short-short rule discussed above

A "passive foreign investment company" (PFIC) is a foreign corporation that, in general, meets either of the following tests: (a) at least 75% of its gross income is passive or (b) an average of at least 50% of its assets produce, or are held for the production of, passive income. If the Fund acquires and holds stock in a PFIC beyond the end of the year of its acquisition, the Fund will be subject to federal income tax on a portion of any "excess distribution" received on the stock or of any gain from disposition of the stock (collectively PFIC Income), plus interest thereon, even if the Fund distributes the PFIC income as a taxable dividend to its shareholders. The balance of the PFIC income will be included in the Fund's investment company taxable income and, accordingly, will not be taxable to it to the extent that income is distributed to its shareholders. Proposed Treasury regulations provide that the Fund may make a "mark-to-market" election with respect to any stock it holds of a PFIC. If the election is in effect, at the end of the Fund's taxable year, the Fund will recognize the amount of gains, if any, with respect to PFIC stock. No loss will be recognized on PFIC stock. Alternatively, the Fund may elect to treat any PFIC in which it invests as a "qualified electing fund," in which case, in lieu of the foregoing tax and interest obligation, the Fund will be required to include in income each year its pro rata share of the qualified electing fund's annual ordinary earnings and net capital gain, even if they are not distributed to the Fund; those amounts would be subject to the distribution requirements applicable to the Fund described above. It may be very difficult, if not impossible, to make this election because of certain requirements thereof.

Under the Code, gains or losses attributable to fluctuations in exchange rates which occur between the time the Fund accrues interest or other receivables or accrues expenses or other liabilities denominated in a foreign currency and the time the Fund actually collects such receivables or pays such liabilities are treated as ordinary income or ordinary loss. Similarly, gains or losses on forward foreign currency exchange contracts or dispositions of debt securities denominated in a foreign currency attributable to fluctuations in the value of the foreign currency between the date of acquisition of the security and the date of disposition also are treated as ordinary gain or loss. These gains, referred to under the Code as "Section 988" gains or losses, increase or decrease the amount of the Fund's investment company taxable income available to be distributed to its shareholders as ordinary income, rather than increasing or decreasing the amount of the Fund's net capital gain. If Section 988 losses exceed other investment company taxable income during a taxable year, the Fund would not be able to make any ordinary dividend distributions, or distributions made before the losses were realized would be recharacterized as a return of capital to shareholders, rather than as an ordinary dividend, reducing each shareholder's basis in his or her Fund shares.

The Fund is required to distribute 98% of its ordinary income in the same calendar year in which it is earned. The Fund is also required to distribute during the calendar year 98% of the capital gain net income it earned during the 12 months ending on October 31 of such calendar year, as well as all undistributed ordinary income and undistributed capital gain net income from the

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prior year or the twelve-month period ending on October 31 of such prior year, respectively. To the extent it does not meet these distribution requirements, the Fund will be subject to a nondeductible 4% excise tax on the undistributed amount. For purposes of this excise tax, income on which the Fund pays income tax is treated as distributed.

Any dividends paid shortly after a purchase by an investor may have the effect of reducing the per share net asset value of the investor's shares by the per share amount of the dividends. Furthermore, such dividends, although in effect a return of capital, are subject to federal income taxes. Therefore,

prior to purchasing shares of the Fund, the investor should carefully consider the impact of dividends, including capital gains distributions, which are expected to be or have been announced.

Any loss realized on a sale, redemption or exchange of shares of the Fund by a shareholder will be disallowed to the extent the shares are replaced within a 61-day period (beginning 30 days before the disposition of shares). Shares purchased pursuant to the reinvestment of a dividend will constitute a replacement of shares.

A shareholder who acquires shares of the Fund and sells or otherwise disposes of such shares within 90 days of acquisition may not be allowed to include certain sales charges incurred in acquiring such shares for purposes of calculating gain or loss realized upon a sale or exchange of shares of the Fund.

The per share dividends on Class B and Class C shares will generally be lower than the per share dividends on Class A shares as a result of the higher distribution-related fee applicable to the Class B and Class C shares. The per share distributions of net capital gains will be paid in the same amounts for Class A, Class B and Class C shares. See "Net Asset Value."

Dividends of net investment income and distributions of net short-term capital gains paid to a shareholder (including a shareholder acting as a nominee or fiduciary) who is a nonresident alien individual, a foreign corporation or a foreign partnership (foreign shareholder) are subject to a 30% (or lower treaty rate) withholding tax upon the gross amount of the dividends unless the dividends are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business conducted by the foreign shareholder. Capital gain dividends paid to a foreign shareholder are generally not subject to withholding tax. A foreign shareholder will, however, be required to pay U.S. income tax on any dividends and capital gain distributions which are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business of the foreign shareholder.

Dividends received by corporate shareholders are eligible for a dividends-received deduction of 70% to the extent the Fund's income is derived from qualified dividends received by the Fund from domestic corporations. Interest income, capital gain net income, gain or loss from Section 1256 contracts (described above), dividend income from foreign corporations and income from other sources will not constitute qualified dividends. Since the Fund is likely to have a substantial portion of its assets invested in securities of foreign issuers, the amount of the Fund's dividends eligible for the corporate dividends-received deduction will be minimal. Individual shareholders are not eligible for the dividends-received deduction.

Income received by the Fund from sources within foreign countries may be subject to withholding and other taxes imposed by such countries. Income tax treaties between certain countries and the United States may reduce or eliminate such taxes. It is impossible to determine in advance the effective rate of foreign tax to which the Fund will be subject, since the amount of the Fund's assets to be invested in various countries will vary.

If the Fund is liable for foreign income taxes, the Fund expects to meet the requirements of the Code for "passing-through" to its shareholders foreign income taxes paid, but there can be no assurance that the Fund will be able to, or will elect to do so. Shareholders would be required to: (i) include in gross income (in addition to taxable dividends actually received) their pro rata share of the foreign income taxes paid by the Fund; and (ii) treat their pro rata share of foreign income taxes as paid by them. Shareholders are then permitted either to deduct their pro rata share of foreign income taxes in computing their taxable income or, subject to various limitations, use it as a foreign tax credit against U.S. income taxes. No deduction for foreign taxes may be claimed by a shareholder who does not itemize deductions. Foreign shareholders may not deduct or claim a credit for foreign tax unless the dividends paid to them by the Fund are effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business, although they still will be required to include in income their share of the foreign taxes paid by the Fund.

Each shareholder will be notified within 60 days after the close of the Fund's taxable year whether the foreign taxes paid by the Fund will "pass through" for that year and, if so, such notification will designate (a) the shareholder's portion of the foreign taxes paid by the Fund and (b) the portion of the dividend which represents income derived from foreign sources. The tax consequences to a foreign shareholder entitled to claim the benefits of an applicable tax treaty may be different from those described herein. Foreign shareholders are advised to consult their own tax advisers with respect to the particular tax consequences to them of an investment in the Fund.

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The amount of foreign taxes for which a shareholder may claim a credit in any year will generally be subject to separate limitations for various types of income, such as "passive income," which includes, among other things, dividends, most interest and certain foreign currency gains. Gain or loss from the sale of a security or from a Section 988 transaction which is treated as ordinary income or loss (or would have been so treated absent an election by the Fund) will be

treated as derived from sources within the United States, potentially reducing the amount allowable as a credit under the limitation.

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN. The Fund may from time to time advertise its average annual total return. Average annual total return is determined separately for Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z shares. See "How the Fund Calculates Performance" in the Prospectus.

Average annual total return is computed according to the following formula:

P(1+T) to the power of n = ERV

Where: P = a hypothetical initial payment of \$1000.

T = average annual total return.

n = number of years.

ERV = ending redeemable value at the end of the 1, 5 or 10 year periods (or fractional portion thereof) of a hypothetical \$1000 payment made at the beginning of the 1, 5 or 10 year periods.

Average annual total return takes into account any applicable initial or deferred sales charges but does not take into account any federal or state income taxes that may be payable upon redemption.

The average annual total return of the Class A shares for the one year period ended October 31, 1996 and for the period from July 24, 1992 (commencement of investment operations) through October 31, 1996 was (3.1)% and 11.0%, respectively, and for the Class B shares, was (3.6)% and 11.4%, respectively, for the same period. The average annual total return for Class C shares for the one year period ended October 31, 1996 and the since inception period (August 1, 1994) ended October 31, 1996 was .4% and (2.7)%, respectively. The average annual total return for Class Z shares for the period from inception (March 1, 1996) ended October 31, 1996 was (6.1)%.

YIELD. The Fund may from time to time advertise its yield as calculated over a 30-day period. Yield is calculated separately for Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z shares. This yield will be computed by dividing the Fund's net investment income per share earned during this 30-day period by the maximum offering price per share on the last day of this period. Yield is calculated according to the following formula:

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Where: a = dividends and interest earned during the period.

- b = expenses accrued for the period (net of reimbursements).
- c = the average daily number of shares outstanding during the period that were entitled to receive dividends.
- $\mbox{\bf d}$ = the maximum offering price per share on the last day of the period.

Yield fluctuates and an annualized yield quotation is not a representation by the Fund as to what an investment in the Fund will actually yield for any given period. Yields for the Fund will vary based on a number of factors including changes in net asset value, market conditions, the level of interest rates and the level of Fund income and expenses.

AGGREGATE TOTAL RETURN. The Fund may also advertise its aggregate total return. Aggregate total return is determined separately for Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z shares. See "How the Fund Calculates Performance" in the Prospectus.

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Aggregate total return represents the cumulative change in the value of an investment in the Fund and is computed according to the following formula:

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Where: P = a hypothetical initial payment of \$1000.

ERV = ending redeemable value at the end of the 1, 5 or 10 year periods (or fractional portion thereof) of a hypothetical \$1000 payment made at the beginning of the 1, 5 or 10 year periods.

Aggregate total return does not take into account any federal or state income taxes that may be payable upon redemption or any applicable initial or contingent deferred sales charges.

The aggregate total return for Class A shares for the one year period ended on October 31, 1996 and for the period from July 24, 1992 (commencement of operations) to October 31, 1996 was 2.0% and 64.5%, respectively, and for Class B shares was 1.4% and 59.5%, respectively, for the same period. The aggregate total return for Class C shares for the one year period ended on October 31, 1996 and for the since inception period (August 1, 1994) ended October 31, 1996 was 1.4% and (5.9)%, respectively. The aggregate total return for Class Z shares for the period from inception (March 1, 1996) ended October 31, 1996 was (4.1)%.

From time to time, the performance of the Fund may be measured against various indices. Set forth below is a chart which compares the performance of different types of investments over the long-term and the rate of inflation.(1)

EDGAR REPRESENTATION OF DATA POINTS USED IN PRINTED GRAPHIC

<CAPTION>
PERFORMANCE COMPARISON OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF INVESTMENTS OVER THE LONG TERM (1/1926 - 12/1994)
<S>
Common Stocks
Long-Term Govt. Bonds
Inflation

<C> 10.2% 4.8% 3.1%

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(1) Source: Ibbotson Associates STOCKS, BONDS, BILLS AND INFLATION--1995 YEARBOOK (annually updates the work of Roger G. Ibbotson and Rex A. Sinquefield). Used with permission. All rights reserved. Common stock returns are based on the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index, a market-weighted, unmanaged index of 500 common stocks in a variety of industry sectors. It is a commonly used indicator of broad stock price movements. This chart is for illustrative purposes only and is not intended to represent the performance of any particular investment or fund. Investors cannot invest directly in an index. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

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CUSTODIAN, TRANSFER AND DIVIDEND DISBURSING AGENT AND INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

State Street Bank and Trust Company, One Heritage Drive, North Quincy, Massachusetts 02171, serves as Custodian for the Fund's portfolio securities and cash and in that capacity maintains certain financial and accounting books and records pursuant to an agreement with the Fund. Subcustodians provide custodial services for the Fund's foreign assets held outside the United States. See "How the Fund is Managed--Custodian and Transfer and Dividend Disbursing Agent" in the Prospectus.

Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc. (PMFS), Raritan Plaza One, Edison, New Jersey 08837, serves as the Transfer and Dividend Disbursing Agent of the Fund. PMFS is a wholly-owned subsidiary of PMF. PMFS provides customary transfer agency services to the Fund, including the handling of shareholder communications, the processing of shareholder transactions, the maintenance of shareholder account records, payment of dividends and distributions and related functions. For these services, PMFS receives an annual fee per shareholder account, a new account set-up fee for each manually established account and a monthly inactive zero balance account fee per shareholder account. PMFS is also reimbursed for its out-of-pocket expenses, including, but not limited to, postage, stationery, printing, allocable communication expenses and other costs. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 1996, the Fund incurred fees of approximately \$753,000 for such services.

Deloitte & Touche LLP, Two World Financial Center, New York, New York 10281, serves as the Fund's independent accountants, and in that capacity audits the Fund's annual reports.

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AUSTRALIA	9.3%	
646,900	Brambles Industries, Ltd.	ć 10 700 00F
1,103,988	(Business & Public Services) Coca Cola Amatil, Ltd.	\$ 10,709,925
3,508,100	(Beverages & Tobacco) Publishing & Broadcasting, Ltd.	15,172,839
3,990,500	(Broadcasting & Publishing) Sea World Property Trust, Ltd.	15,784,227
0,330,000	(Leisure & Tourism)	4,235,797
		45,902,788
HONG KONG	28.0%	
1,289,000	Cheung Kong Infrastructure(a)	2 400 550
4,162,000	(Multi-Industry) CITIC Pacific, Ltd.	2,400,559
4,344,600	(Multi-Industry) Guoco Group, Ltd.	20,238,897
6,404,000	(Banking) Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.	22,981,059
905,204	(Leisure & Tourism) HSBC Holdings, Plc.	11,760,793
	(Banking)	18,438,430
21,157,000	Hung Hing Printing Group, Ltd. (Forest Products & Paper)	5,677,656
1,906,000	Hutchison Whampoa, Ltd. (Multi-Industry)	13,311,089
1,466,700	Jardine Matheson Holdings, Ltd. (Multi-Industry)	8,286,855
3,027,000	New World Development Co., Ltd. (Property Development)	17,616,590
1,004,000	Television Broadcasts, Ltd. (Broadcasting & Publishing)	3,518,843
3,172,000	Wharf Holdings, Ltd.	
	(Multi-Industry)	13,086,418
		137,317,189
INDIA1.9%	i	
74,000	Bajaj Auto Ltd. (GDR) (Automobiles & Auto Parts)	\$ 2,368,000
554,040	Tata Engineering & Locomotive Ltd. (GDR) (Automobiles & Trucks)	6,994,755
	(, (,	9,362,755
TNDONECTA	1 40.	
INDONESIA		
230,300	PT Indonesia Satellite (ADR) (Utilities-Telephones)	6,937,787
 JAPAN29.6	%	
303,000	Alpine Electronics, Inc.	
639,000	(Electrical Equipment) Daibiru Corp.	4,785,680
506,000	(Property Investment) Honda Motor Co., Ltd.	7,233,010
	(Automobiles & Auto Parts)	12,076,690
400	Japan Associated Finance Co. (Financial Services)	32,887
475 , 000	JGC Corp. (Construction)	5,001,536
76,000	Keyence Corp. (Electronic Components &	
49,000	Instruments) Kokusai Denshin Denwa Co., Ltd.	8,802,703
1,708,000	(Utilities-Telephones) Mitsui Fudosan Co., Ltd.	4,235,072
	(Property Investment)	21,131,751
118,200	Namco Ltd. (Recreation & Other Consumer	
282,000	Goods) Nichiei Construction Co., Ltd.	3,536,717
781,000	(Property Development) Nichirei Corp.	2,415,057
899,000	(Miscellaneous Industrial)	4,666,880
099,000	Nippon Express Co., Ltd.	

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<table> <caption> SHARES <c></c></caption></table>	DESCRIPTION <s></s>			VALUE (NOTE 1) <c></c>
JAPAN (CON	['D.)			
51,800 550,000	Nippon Television No (Broadcasting & I Nissan Chemical Indo	Publishing)	\$ 14,999,342
638,000	(Chemicals) Nissan Motor Co., L			3,238,275
60	(Automobiles & A			4,820,059
	Nissen Co., Ltd. (Retail)	C. T.L.J		500
523,000	Onward Kashiyama & (Textiles & Appa:			7,296,714
311,000	Sony Corp. (Appliances & Hor	usehold Du	rables)	18,638,442
385,000	Toyota Motor Corp. (Automobiles & A	uto Parts)		9,087,439
140,600	World Co., Ltd. (Textiles & Appa:	rel)		5,860,132
				145,155,644
MALAYSIA9	. 6%			
4,608,000	Berjaya Capital Berl	had		
4,682,000	(Insurance) IJM Corporation Berl	had		4,468,474
4,565,500	(Construction) Kuala Lumpur Kepong	Berhad		10,192,361
9,115,000	(Misc. Materials Renong Berhad	& Commodi	ties)	11,474,738
1,134,000	(Multi-Industry) Resorts World Berhad	d		14,358,876
, ,	(Leisure & Touri			6,508,213
				47,002,662
THE PHILIPP	INES1.0%			
900,000	C & P Homes, Inc. (Property Develop	nment)		410,959
4,897,800	Filinvest Land, Inc			1,658,692
13,129,600	(Property Develop Solid Group, Inc. (a)		
	(Electrical Equi	pment)		2,697,863
				4,767,514
SINGAPORE	3.7%			
1,069,000	City Developments, 1 (Property Developments)			\$ 8,424,494
240,750	First Capital Corp. (Property Develop	pment)		557,221
2,661,000	Hong Leong Finance, (Financial Servi	Ltd.		8,123,749
2,427,000	Marco Polo Developme (Leisure & Touri:	ents, Ltd.		4,514,547
550,600	Overseas Chinese Bar (Banking)		., Ltd.	6,293,688
940,000	Overseas Union Bank			
1,604,750	(Banking) Sembawang Maritime,		0.51	6,406,816
173,160	(Energy Equipment Singapore Finance,	Ltd.	es)	4,238,317
1,537,000	(Financial Service Wing Tai Holdings			248,337
	(Property Develop	pment)		3,775,662

42,582,831

Total common stocks (cost \$407,474,285)

439,029,170

WARRANTS(a)--0.5%

MALAYSIA--0.1%

932,375 Renong Berhad

expiring Nov. '00 @ MYR4.10

(Multi-Industry) 380,109

SINGAPORE--0.4%

190,200 Hong Leong Finance, Ltd. expiring Sept.'98 @ SGD3.25

(Financial Services) 107,355

605,600 United Overseas Bank, Ltd. expiring June '97 @ SGD3.34

expiring June '97 @ SGD3.34 (Banking) 2,149,805

2,257,160

Total warrants

(cost \$2,938,339) 2,637,269

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PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC.

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS AS OF OCTOBER 31, 1996

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PRINCIPAL
AMOUNT

(000) DESCRIPTION VALUE (NOTE 1)

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CONVERTIBLE BOND--0.6%

THE PHILIPPINES--0.6%

\$2,970 Filinvest Capital Cayman Islands,

Ltd. 3.75%, 2/1/02

(Property Development)

(cost \$2,972,700) \$ 2,925,450

CONVERTIBLE LOAN STOCK--0.1%

SHARES

 ${\tt SINGAPORE--0.1} \\ \\ \\ \\$

631,000 Sembawang Maritime, Ltd.

(Energy Equipment & Services)

(cost \$402,347) 551,033

TOTAL INVESTMENTS--90.7%

(Cost \$413,787,671; Note 4) 445,142,922

Other assets in excess of

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(a) Non-income producing security. ADR--American Depository Receipt. GDR--Global Depository Receipt.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC. <TABLE> <CAPTION> ASSETS October 31, 1996 <S> <C> Investments, at value (cost \$413,787,671)..... \$445,142,922 Foreign currency, at value (cost \$5,462,957)..... 5,472,281 49.720.420 Receivable for Fund shares sold..... Dividends and interest receivable..... 1,063,865 Receivable for investments sold..... 444.856 Deferred expenses and other assets..... 42,012 Total assets..... 501,886,356 LIABILITIES 8,229,150 1,630,173 Payable for Fund shares reacquired..... Accrued expenses and other liabilities..... 488.500 302,269 Distribution fees payable..... 295,119 Management fee payable.... Payable for investments purchased..... 273.835 119,643 Withholding taxes payable..... Total liabilities..... 11,338,689 _____ NET ASSETS..... \$490,547,667 _____ Net assets were comprised of: \$ 31,569 Common stock, at par..... Paid-in capital in excess of par..... 448,970,212 449,001,781 Accumulated net realized gains on investments and foreign currency transactions...... 10,192,578 Net unrealized appreciation on investments and foreign currencies..... 31,353,308 Net assets, October 31, 1996..... \$490.547.667 -----Class A: Net asset value and redemption price per share (\$113,584,733 DIVIDED BY 7,160,434 shares of common stock issued and outstanding)...... \$15.86 Maximum sales charge (5.00% of offering price)..... .83 Maximum offering price to public..... \$16.69 Class B: Net asset value, offering price and redemption price per share (\$327,315,059 DIVIDED BY 21,259,940 shares of common stock issued and outstanding).....\$15.40 -----Class C: Net asset value, offering price and redemption price per share (\$12,360,064 DIVIDED BY 802,558 shares of common stock issued and outstanding)...... \$15.40 _____ Class Z: Net asset value, offering price and redemption price per share (\$37,287,811 DIVIDED BY 2,346,031 shares of common stock issued and outstanding)...... \$15.89 _____ </TABLE> See Notes to Financial Statements

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PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

<TABLE>

NET INVESTMENT INCOME

YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 1996

<\$>		<c></c>	
Income		(0)	
Dividends (net of foreign w	rithholding		
taxes of \$739,922)		\$ 7,7	795,122
Interest (net of foreign wi taxes of \$840)		6	554,062
Total income	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		149,184
Expenses			
Management fee			592 , 994
Distribution feeClass A			265,371
Distribution feeClass B		3,5	575,481
Distribution feeClass C Transfer agent's fees and e		ç	64,016 389,000
Custodian's fees and expens	-		370,000
Reports to shareholders			250,000
Registration fees		1	131,000
Audit fees and expenses			48,000
Directors' fees			42,000
Amortization of organization			40.000
expense Legal fees and expenses			40,000
Miscellaneous			23,705
Total expenses			111,567
Net investment loss		2)	962 , 383)
REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (
INVESTMENTS AND FOREIGN CURREN	ICY TRANSACTIONS		
Net realized gain on: Investment transactions (ne	+ of mboilond		
capital gains taxes of \$		28.2	262,057
Foreign currency transaction			36,241
-			
		35,2	298,298
Net change in unrealized appre	ciation on:		
Investments (net of deferre			
capital gains tax \$26,77		(10,0)53 , 777)
Foreign currencies		(7,8	368,187)
		(1/,5	921 , 964)
Net gain on investments and fo	reign		
currencies		17,3	376,334
NET INCREASE IN NET ASSETS			
RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS		\$ 16.4	113,951
TEGORITIO TRON OF ENGLISHMEN.			

			PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND	, INC.		
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET AS						
		DED OCTOR				
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	1996		1995			
Operations Net investment loss	\$ (962,38	31 ¢	(1 766 020)			
Net realized gain (loss)	\$ (902**,**30	۶) ۶	(1,700,039)			
on investment and						
foreign currency						
transactions	35,298,29	8	(14,948,681)			
Net change in unrealized						
appreciation on						
investments and foreign currencies	(17,921,96	4)	(17,348,093)			
Currencies	(17,921,96		(17,346,093)			
Net increase (decrease) in						
net assets resulting		1	(24 252			
from operations	16,413,95		(34,062,813)			
Net equalization credits	_	-	5,303			
Distributions in excess of						
DISCITIONCIONS IN EXCESS OF						

Class A	(1,382,063)	
Class B	(4,236,951)	
Class C	(58,010)	
Class Z	(3,873)	
	(5,680,897)	
Distributions from net		
realized gains		
Class A		(575,474)
Class B		(2,780,214)
Class C		(5,693)
		(3,361,381)
		(3/301/301)
Fund share transactions (net		
of share conversions)		
(Note 5)		
Net proceeds from shares		
sold	2,354,962,543	1,087,055,048
Net asset value of shares	2,001,302,010	1,00,,000,010
issued in reinvestment		
of distributions	5,385,091	3,169,310
Cost of shares	0,000,001	3,103,010
reacquired	(2,326,287,193)	(1,166,639,139)
1		
Net increase (decrease) in		
net assets from Fund		
share transactions	34,060,441	(76,414,781)
Total increase (decrease)	44,793,495	(113,833,672)
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	445,754,172	559,587,844
End of year	\$ 490,547,667	\$ 445,754,172

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PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC.

Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc. (the "Fund") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 as a diversified, open-end management investment company. The Fund was incorporated in Maryland on August 14, 1991 and had no operations other than the issuance of 5,000 shares each of Class A and Class B common stock for \$100,000 on May 6, 1992 to Prudential Mutual Fund Management LLC ("PMF"). The Fund commenced investment operations on July 24, 1992. The investment objective of the Fund is to seek long-term capital growth by investing primarily in common stocks, common stock equivalents and other securities of companies doing business in or domiciled in the Pacific Basin region.

NOTE 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements.

SECURITIES VALUATION: Securities traded on an exchange (whether domestic or foreign) are valued at the last reported sales price on the primary exchange on which they are traded. Securities traded in the over-the-counter market (including securities listed on exchanges for which a last sales price is not available) are valued at the average of the last reported bid and asked prices. Any securities or other assets for which current market quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined in good faith under procedures established by and under the general supervision and responsibility of the Fund's Board of Directors.

Short-term securities which mature in more than 60 days are valued at current market quotations. Short-term securities which mature in 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost.

In connection with transactions in repurchase agreements with U.S. financial institutions, it is the Fund's policy that its custodian or designated subcustodians, as the case may be under triparty repurchase agreements, takes possession of the underlying collateral securities, the value of which exceeds the principal amount of the repurchase transaction including accrued interest. If the seller defaults and the value of the collateral declines or if bankruptcy proceedings are commenced with respect to the seller of the security,

realization of the collateral by the Fund may be delayed or limited.

FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION: The books and records of the Fund are maintained in U.S. dollars. Foreign currency amounts are translated into U.S. dollars on the following basis:

- (i) market value of investment securities, other assets and liabilities--at the closing rates of exchange;
- (ii) purchases and sales of investment securities, income and expenses--at the rate of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions.

Although the net assets of the Fund are presented at the foreign exchange rates and market values at the close of the fiscal year, the Fund does not isolate that portion of the results of operations arising as a result of changes in the foreign exchange rates from the fluctuations arising from changes in the market prices of securities held at the end of the fiscal year. Similarly, the Fund does not isolate the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates from the fluctuations arising from changes in the market prices of long-term debt securities sold during the fiscal year. Accordingly, realized foreign currency gains (losses) are included in the reported net realized gains on investment transactions.

Net realized gains on foreign currency transactions of \$7,036,241 represent net foreign exchange gains from forward currency contracts, disposition of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized between the trade and settlement dates on security transactions, and the difference between the amounts of interest, dividends and foreign taxes recorded on the Fund's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent amounts actually received or paid. Net currency gains and losses from valuing foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities at fiscal year end exchange rates are reflected as a component of unrealized appreciation on investments and foreign currencies.

Foreign security and currency transactions may involve certain considerations and risks not typically associated with those of domestic origin as a result of, among other factors, the possibility of political and economic instability and the level of governmental supervision and regulation of foreign securities markets.

FORWARD CURRENCY CONTRACTS: A forward currency contract is a commitment to purchase or sell a foreign currency at a future date at a negotiated forward rate. The Fund enters into forward currency contracts in order to hedge its exposure to changes in foreign currency exchange rates on its foreign portfolio holdings or on specific receivables and payables denominated in a foreign currency. The contracts are valued daily at current exchange rates and any unrealized gain or loss is included in net unrealized appreciation or depreciation on investments. Gain or loss is realized on the settlement date of the contract equal to the difference between the settlement value of the original and renegotiated forward contracts. This gain or loss, if any, is included in net realized gain (loss) on foreign

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currency transactions. Risks may arise upon entering into these contracts from the potential inability of the counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts. There were no forward currency contracts outstanding at October 31, 1996.

SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS AND NET INVESTMENT INCOME: Securities transactions are recorded on the trade date. Realized gains and losses from investment and foreign currency transactions are calculated on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date and interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Expenses are recorded on the accrual basis which may require the use of certain estimates by management.

Net investment income or loss, other than distribution fees, and unrealized and realized gains or losses are allocated daily to each class of shares of the Fund based upon the relative proportion of net assets of each class at the beginning of the day.

DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS: The Fund expects to pay dividends of net investment income and distributions of net realized capital and currency gains, if any, annually. Dividends and distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Income distributions and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations which may differ from generally accepted accounting principles due to timing differences concerning recognition of income.

TAXES: It is the Fund's policy to meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute all of its taxable income to shareholders. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is

Withholding taxes on foreign dividends, interest and capital gains have been provided for in accordance with the Fund's understanding of the applicable country's tax rules and rates.

DEFERRED ORGANIZATION EXPENSES: Approximately \$200,000 of organization and initial registration costs have been deferred and are being amortized over the period of benefit not to exceed 60 months from the date the Fund commenced investment operations.

EQUALIZATION: Effective November 1, 1995, the Fund discontinued the accounting practice of equalization. Equalization is a practice whereby a portion of the proceeds from sales and costs of repurchases of capital shares, equivalent on a per share basis to the amount of distributable net investment income on the date of the transaction, is credited or charged to undistributed net investment income. The balance of \$5,303 of undistributed net investment income at October 31, 1995, resulting from equalization was transferred to paid-in capital in excess of par. Such reclassification has no effect on net assets, results of operations, or net asset value per share.

RECLASSIFICATION OF CAPITAL ACCOUNTS: The Fund accounts for and reports distributions to shareholders in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' Statement of Position 93-2: Determination, Disclosure, and Financial Statement Presentation of Income, Capital Gain, and Return of Capital Distributions by Investment Companies. The effect of applying this statement was to increase undistributed net investment income by \$970,112, increase paid-in capital in excess of par by \$4,863,161 and decrease accumulated net realized gains by \$5,833,273 for differences in the treatment for book and tax purposes of certain transactions involving foreign securities, currencies and withholding taxes. Net investment income, net realized gains and net assets were not affected by this change.

NOTE 2. AGREEMENTS

The Fund has a management agreement with PMF. Pursuant to this agreement, PMF has responsibility for all investment advisory services and supervises the subadviser's performance of such services. PMF has entered into a subadvisory agreement with The Prudential Investment Corporation ("PIC"); PIC furnishes investment advisory services in connection with the management of the Fund. PMF pays for the cost of the subadviser's services, the compensation of officers of the Fund, occupancy and certain clerical and bookkeeping costs of the Fund. The Fund bears all other costs and expenses.

The management fee paid PMF is computed daily and payable monthly at an annual rate of .75 of 1% of the average daily net assets of the Fund.

The Fund had a distribution agreement with Prudential Mutual Fund Distributors, Inc. ("PMFD"), which acted as the distributor of the Class A shares of the Fund through January 1, 1996. Effective January 2, 1996 Prudential Securities Incorporated ("PSI") became the distributor of the Class A shares of the Fund and is serving the Fund under the same terms and conditions as under the arrangement with PMFD. PSI is also distributor of the Class B, Class C and Class Z shares of the Fund. The Fund compensated PMFD and PSI for distributing and servicing the Fund's Class A, Class B and Class C shares, pursuant to plans of distribution, (the "Class A, B and C Plans"), regardless of expenses actually incurred by them. The distribution fees are accrued daily and payable monthly.

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PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC.

Pursuant to the Class A, B and C Plans, the Fund compensates PSI, and PMFD for the period November 1, 1995 through January 1, 1996 with respect to Class A shares, for distribution-related activities at an annual rate of up to .30 of 1%, 1% and 1%, of the average daily net assets of the Class A, B and C shares, respectively. Such expenses under the Class A, Class B and Class C Plans were .25%, 1% and 1%, respectively, of the average daily net assets of the Class A, Class B and Class C shares for the year ended October 31, 1996.

PMFD has advised the Fund that it has received approximately \$363,000 in front-end sales charges resulting from sales of Class A shares during the year ended October 31, 1996. From these fees, PMFD and PSI paid such sales charges to Pruco Securities Corporation, an affiliated broker-dealer, which in turn paid commissions to salespersons and incurred other distribution costs.

PSI has advised the Fund that for the year ended October 31, 1996, it received approximately \$1,167,000 and \$6,000 in contingent deferred sales charges imposed upon certain redemptions by Class B and Class C shareholders, respectively. PMFD is a wholly-owned subsidiary of PMF; PSI, PMF and PIC are (indirect) wholly-owned subsidiaries of The Prudential Insurance Company of America ("Prudential").

NOTE 3. OTHER TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES

Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc. ("PMFS"), a wholly owned subsidiary of PMF, serves as the Fund's transfer agent. During the year ended October 31, 1996, the Fund incurred fees of approximately \$753,000 for the services of PMFS. As of October 31, 1996, approximately \$60,000 of such fees were due to PMFS. Transfer agent fees and expenses in the statement of operations include certain out-of-pocket expenses paid to non-affiliates.

For the year ended October 31, 1996, PSI earned aproximately \$85,700 in brokerage commissions from portfolio transactions executed on behalf of the Fund.

NOTE 4. PORTFOLIO SECURITIES

Purchases and sales of investment securities, other than short-term investments, for the year ended October 31, 1996 were \$423,958,631 and \$430,325,749, respectively.

The United States federal income tax basis of the Fund's investments at October 31, 1996 was \$415,028,626 and accordingly, net unrealized appreciation for federal income tax purposes was \$30,114,296 (gross unrealized appreciation--\$52,019,585; gross unrealized depreciation--\$21,905,289).

For federal income tax purposes, the Fund utilized its capital loss carryforward of approximately \$17,227,000 to partially offset the Fund's net taxable gains realized and recognized in the year ended October 31, 1996.

NOTE 5. CAPITAL

The Fund offers Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z shares. Class A shares are sold with a front-end sales charge of up to 5%. Class B shares are sold with a contingent deferred sales charge which declines from 5% to zero depending on the period of time the shares are held. Class C shares are sold with a contingent deferred sales charge of 1% during the first year. Class B shares automatically convert to Class A shares on a quarterly basis approximately seven years after purchase. A special exchange privilege is also available for shareholders who qualified to purchase Class A shares at net asset value. Effective March 1, 1996 the Fund commenced offering Class Z shares. Class Z shares are not subject to any sales or redemption charge and are offered exclusively for sale to a limited group of investors.

The Fund has authorized 2 billion shares of common stock at \$.001 par value per share divided into four classes, designated Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z common stock each consisting of 500 million authorized shares. Of the 31,568,963 shares of common stock issued and outstanding at October 31, 1996, PMF owned 5,000 Class A shares and 5,000 Class B shares.

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Transactions in shares of common stock for the years ended October 31, 1996 and 1995 were as follows:

<table> <caption> CLASS A</caption></table>	SHARES	AMOUNT
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Year ended October 31, 1996: Shares sold	72,006,368	\$ 1,167,807,248
distributions	81,750	1,304,673
Shares reacquired	(69,901,383)	(1,140,331,551)
Net increase in shares outstanding before		
conversion	2,186,735	28,780,370
from Class B	414,180	6,572,012
into Class Z	(1,727,041)	(28,514,067)
Net increase in shares		
outstanding	873,874	\$ 6,838,315
Year ended October 31, 1995: Shares sold	38,906,170	\$ 589,161,551
Suares issued in tellinestment of		

distributions	36,104 (39,986,485)	541,915 (609,434,118)
Net decrease in shares outstanding before conversion	(1,044,211)	(19,730,652)
Shares issued upon conversion from Class B	1,476,233	20,877,944
Net increase in shares outstanding	432,022	\$ 1,147,292
<caption> CLASS B</caption>		
Year ended October 31, 1996: Shares sold	53,304,965	\$ 842,080,515
distributions	258,053 (54,287,368)	4,020,465 (859,471,344)
Net decrease in shares outstanding before		
conversionShares reacquired upon conversion	(724,350)	(13,370,364)
into Class A	(402,952)	(6,572,012)
Net decrease in shares outstanding	(1,127,302)	\$ (19,942,376)
Year ended October 31, 1995:	20 216 010	^ 427 F1F 000
Shares issued in reinvestment of	29,316,819	\$ 437,515,082
distributions	177,755 (33,274,969)	2,621,884 (498,258,260)
Net decrease in shares outstanding before		
conversion	(3,780,395)	(58,121,294)
into Class A	(1,504,465)	(20,877,944)
Net decrease in shares outstanding	(5,284,860)	\$ (78,999,238)
<caption></caption>		
CLASS C	Shares	Amount
<pre><s> Year ended October 31, 1996:</s></pre>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Shares issued in reinvestment of	17,074,079	\$ 268,732,474
distributions	3,599 (16,433,961)	56,081 (259,854,693)
Net increase in shares outstanding	643,717	\$ 8,933,862
Year ended October 31, 1995:		
Shares issued in reinvestment of	4,052,224	\$ 60,378,415
distributions	373 (3,936,941)	5,511 (58,946,761)
Net increase in shares outstanding	115,656	\$ 1,437,165
CLASS Z		
March 1, 1996(a) through October 31, 1996		
Shares issued in reinvestment of	4,714,608	\$ 76,342,306
distributions	228 (4,095,846)	3,872 (66,629,605)
Net increase in shares		
outstanding before conversion	618,990	9,716,573

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Net increase in shares outstanding	2,346,031	\$ 38,230,640
Shares issued upon conversion from Class A	1,727,041	 28,514,067

</TABLE>

(a) Commencement of offering of Class $\ensuremath{\mathbf{Z}}$ shares.

NOTE 6. DISTRIBUTIONS

On December 10, 1996 the Board of Directors of the Fund declared a distribution from long-term capital gains to Class A, B, C and Z shareholders of \$.348 per share, payable on December 19, 1996 to shareholders of record on December 16, 1996.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC.

<TABLE> <CAPTION>

		JULY 24, 1992(a) THROUGH				
	1996(c)	1995(c)	1994(c)	1993(c)	OCTOBER 31, 1992	
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	
PER SHARE OPERATING PERFORMANCE: Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 15.75	\$ 16.90	\$ 16.10	\$ 10.65	\$ 10.00	
INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS Net investment income (loss) Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	.07	.04	(.08)	(.01)	(.02)	
on investment and foreign currency transactions	.23	(1.09)	1.15	5.48	.67	
Total from investment operations	.30	(1.05)	1.07	5.47	.65	
LESS DISTRIBUTIONS Distributions in excess of net investment income Distributions from net realized gains	(.19)	(.10)	(.06) (.21)	(.02)	 	
Total distributions	(.19)	(.10)	(.27)	(.02)		
Net asset value, end of period	\$ 15.86	\$ 15.75	\$ 16.90	\$ 16.10	\$ 10.65	
TOTAL RETURN(d)	1.97%	(6.23)%	6.67%	51.39%	6.50%	
Net assets, end of period (000) Average net assets (000) Ratios to average net assets: Expenses, including distribution	\$113,585 \$106,148	\$ 98,998 \$101,920	\$98,921 \$92,233	\$64,353 \$26,264	\$13,918 \$12,884	
fees	1.37%	1.46%	1.57%	1.63%	2.72%(b)	
fees	1.12% .44%	1.21% .26%	1.33% (.50)%	1.43% (.04)%	2.52% (b) (.75)% (b)	
Portfolio turnover	91%	54%	56%	44%	0%	
share	\$.0209	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

CLASS A

last day of each period reported and includes reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Total returns for periods of less than a full year are not annualized.

⁽a) Commencement of investment operations.

⁽b) Annualized.

⁽c) Calculated based upon weighted average shares outstanding during the period. (d) Total return does not consider the effects of sales loads. Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of shares on the first day and a sale on the

Ratios to average net assets:

<caption></caption>						CLASS C
			CLASS B			
	YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31,			JULY 24, 1992(a) THROUGH OCTOBER 31,	YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31,	
	1996(c)	1995(c)	1994(c)	1993(c)	1992	1996(c)
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
PER SHARE OPERATING PERFORMANCE: Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 15.38 	\$ 16.62 	\$ 15.94 	\$ 10.63	\$ 10.00	\$ 15.38
INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS Net investment income (loss) Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investment and foreign currency	(.04)	(.08)	(.21)	(.10)	(.04)	(.04)
transactions	.25	(1.06)	1.13	5.43	.67	.25
Total from investment operations	.21	(1.14)	.92	5.33	.63	.21
LESS DISTRIBUTIONS Distributions in excess of net investment income	(.19)	 (.10)	(.03) (.21)	(.02)		(.19)
-						(10)
Total distributions	(.19)	(.10)	(.24)	(.02)		(.19)
Net asset value, end of period	\$ 15.40 	\$ 15.38 	\$ 16.62 	\$ 15.94	\$ 10.63 	\$ 15.40
TOTAL RETURN(d)	1.36%	(6.82)%	5.79%	50.17%	6.30%	1.36%
Net assets, end of period (000) Average net assets (000) Ratios to average net assets: Expenses, including distribution	\$327,315 \$357,548	\$344,313 \$368,771	\$459,949 \$404,506	\$250,997 \$ 74,590	\$20,050 \$16,025	\$ 12,360 \$ 6,402
fees Expenses, excluding distribution		2.21%	2.33%	2.37%	3.52% (b)	2.12%
fees Net investment income (loss)	1.12% (.25)%	1.21% (.55)%	1.33% (1.27)%	1.37% (.83)%	2.52% (b) (1.55)% (b)	1.12% (.25)%
<caption></caption>	CLAS	s c	CLASS Z			
	YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 1995(c)	AUGUST 1, 1994(e) THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 1994(c)	MARCH 1, 1996(f) THROUGH OCTOBER 3 1996(c)	1,		
<\$>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>			
PER SHARE OPERATING PERFORMANCE: Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 16.62	\$ 16.68 	\$ 16.57			
INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS Net investment income (loss) Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investment and foreign currency	(.08)	(.06)	.11			
transactions	(1.06)		(.79			
Total from investment operations	(1.14)	(.06)	(.68			
LESS DISTRIBUTIONS Distributions in excess of net investment income	 (.10)	 				
Total distributions	(.10)					
Net asset value, end of period	(.10) \$ 15.38	 \$ 16.62	 \$ 15.89			
nee asset varue, end of period						
TOTAL RETURN(d)	(6.82)%	(.36)%	(4.09) %		
Net assets, end of period (000) Average net assets (000)	\$ 2,443 \$ 1,624	\$ 718 \$ 458	\$37,288 \$33,868			

Expenses, including distribution			
fees	2.21%	3.00%(b)	1.12%(b)
Expenses, excluding distribution			
fees	1.21%	2.00%(b)	1.12%(b)
Net investment income (loss)	(.43)%	(1.64)%(b)	.68%(b)
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- (a) Commencement of investment operations.
- (b) Annualized.
- (c) Calculated based upon weighted average shares outstanding during the period.
- (d) Total return does not consider the effects of sales loads. Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of shares on the first day and a sale on the last day of each period reported and includes reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Total returns for periods of less than a full year are not annualized.
- (e) Commencement of offering of Class C shares.
- (f) Commencement of offering of Class ${\ensuremath{\mathbf{Z}}}$ shares.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC.

The Shareholders and Board of Directors Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities, including the portfolio of investments, of Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc., as of October 31, 1996, the related statements of operations for the year then ended and of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the four years in the period then ended and the period July 24, 1992 (commencement of investment operations) to October 31, 1992. These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of the securities owned as of October 31, 1996 by correspondence with the custodian and brokers. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such financial statements and financial highlights present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc. as of October 31, 1996, the results of its operations, the changes in its net assets, and its financial highlights for the respective stated periods, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP New York, New York December 12, 1996

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APPENDIX I--GENERAL INVESTMENT INFORMATION

The following terms are used in mutual fund investing.

ASSET ALLOCATION

Asset allocation is a technique for reducing risk, providing balance. Asset allocation among different types of securities within an overall investment portfolio helps to reduce risk and to potentially provide stable returns, while enabling investors to work toward their financial goal(s). Asset allocation is also a strategy to gain exposure to better performing asset classes while maintaining investment in other asset classes.

DIVERSIFICATION

Diversification is a time-honored technique for reducing risk, providing "balance" to an overall portfolio and potentially achieving more stable returns. Owning a portfolio of securities mitigates the individual risks (and returns) of any one security. Additionally, diversification among types of securities reduces the risks and (general returns) of any one type of security.

DURATION

Debt securities have varying levels of sensitivity to interest rates. As interest rates fluctuate, the value of a bond (or a bond portfolio) will increase or decrease. Longer term bonds are generally more sensitive to changes in interest rates. When interest rates fall, bond prices generally rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, bond prices generally fall.

Duration is an approximation of the price sensitivity of a bond (or a bond portfolio) to interest rate changes. It measures the weighted average maturity of a bond's (or a bond portfolio's) cash flows, I.E., principal and interest rate payments. Duration is expressed as a measure of time in years—the longer the duration of a bond (or a bond portfolio), the greater the impact of interest rate changes on the bond's (or the bond portfolio's) price. Duration differs from effective maturity in that duration takes into account call provisions, coupon rates and other factors. Duration measures interest rate risk only and not other risks, such as credit risk and, in the case of non-U.S. dollar denominated securities, currency risk. Effective maturity measures the final maturity dates of a bond (or a bond portfolio).

MARKET TIMING

Market timing--buying securities when prices are low and selling them when prices are relatively higher--may not work for many investors because it is impossible to predict with certainty how the price of a security will fluctuate. However, owning a security for a long period of time may help investors offset short-term price volatility and realize positive returns.

POWER OF COMPOUNDING

Over time, the compounding of returns can significantly impact investment returns. Compounding is the effect of continuous investment on long-term investment results, by which the proceeds of capital appreciation (and income distributions, if elected) are reinvested to contribute to the overall growth of assets. The long-term investment results of compounding may be greater than that of an equivalent initial investment in which the proceeds of capital appreciation and income distributions are taken in cash.

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APPENDIX II--HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE DATA

The historical performance data contained in this Appendix relies on data obtained from statistical services, reports and other services believed by the Manager to be reliable. The information has not been independently verified by the Manager.

This chart shows the long-term performance of various asset classes and the rate of inflation.

Source: Prudential Investment Corporation based on data from Ibbotson Associates' EnCORR Software, Chicago, Illinois. Used with permission. This chart is for illustrative purposes only and is not indicative of the past, present, or future performance of any portfolio.

Generally, stock returns are attributable to capital appreciation and the reinvestment of distributions. Bond returns are attributable mainly to the reinvestment of distributions. Also, stock prices are usually more volatile than bond prices over the long-term.

Small stock returns for 1926-1989 are those of stocks comprising the 5th quintile of the New York Stock Exchange. Thereafter, returns are those of the Dimensional Fund Advisors (DFA) Small Company Fund. Common stock returns are

based on the S&P 500 Composite index, a market-weighted, unmanaged index of 500 stocks (currently) in a variety of industries. It is often used as a broad measure of stock market performance.

Long-term government bond returns are represented by a portfolio that contains only one bond with a maturity of roughly 20 years. At the beginning of each year a new bond with a then-current coupon replaces the old bond. Treasury bill returns are for a one-month bill. Treasuries are guaranteed by the government as to the timely payment of principal and interest; equities are not. Inflation is measured by the consumer price index (CPI).

IMPACT OF INFLATION. The "real" rate of investment return is that which exceeds the rate of inflation. The percentage change in the value of consumer goods and the general cost of living. A common goal of long-term investors is to outpace the erosive impact of inflation on investment returns.

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Set forth below is historical performance data relating to various sectors of the fixed-income securities markets. The chart shows the historical total returns of U.S. Treasury bonds, U.S. mortgage securities, U.S. corporate bonds, U.S. high yield bonds and world government bonds on an annual basis from 1987 through 1995. The total returns of the indices include accrued interest, plus the price changes (gains or losses) of the underlying securities during the period mentioned. The data is provided to illustrate the varying historical total returns and investors should not consider this performance data as an indication of the future performance of the Fund or of any sector in which the Fund invests.

All information relies on data obtained from statistical services, reports and other services believed by the Manager to be reliable. Such information has not been verified. The figures do not reflect the operating expenses and fees of a mutual fund. See "Fund Expenses" in the prospectus. The net effect of the deduction of the operating expenses of a mutual fund on these historical total returns, including the compounded effect over time, could be substantial.

HISTORICAL TOTAL RETURNS OF DIFFERENT BOND MARKET SECTORS

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U.S. GOVERNMENT									
TREASURY									
BONDS (1)	2.0%	7.0%	14.4%	8.5%	15.3%	7.2%	10.7%	(3.4)%	18.4%
U.S. GOVERNMENT									
MORTGAGE									
SECURITIES (2)	4.3%	8.7%	15.4%	10.7%	15.7%	7.0%	6.8%	(1.6)%	16.8%
U.S. INVESTMENT GRADE									
CORPORATE									
BONDS (3)	2.6%	9.2%	14.1%	7.1%	18.5%	8.7%	12.2%	(3.9)%	22.3%
U.S.									
HIGH YIELD									
CORPORATE									
BONDS (4)	5.0%	12.5%	0.8%	(9.6)	46.2	% 15.8	% 17.1	% (1.0)%	19.2%
WORLD									
GOVERNMENT									
BONDS (5)	35.2%	2.3%	(3.4)	% 15.3°	16.2	% 4.8	% 15.1	% 6.0%	18.6%
DIFFERENCE BETWEEN									
HIGHEST									
AND LOWEST RETURN PERCENT	33.2	10.2	18.8	24.9	30.9	11.0	10.3	9.9	5.5

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- 1 LEHMAN BROTHERS TREASURY BOND INDEX is an unmanaged index made up of over 150 public issues of the U.S. Treasury having maturities of at least one year.
- 2 LEHMAN BROTHERS MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES INDEX is an unmanaged index that includes over 600 15- and 30-year fixed-rate mortgage-backed securities of the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA), Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC).
- 3 LEHMAN BROTHERS CORPORATE BOND INDEX includes over 3,000 public fixed-rate, nonconvertible investment-grade bonds. All bonds are U.S. dollar-denominated issues and include debt issued or guaranteed by foreign sovereign governments, municipalities, governmental agencies or international agencies.

All bonds in the index have maturities of at least one year.

- 4 LEHMAN BROTHERS HIGH YIELD BOND INDEX is an unmanaged index comprising over 750 public, fixed-rate, nonconvertible bonds that are rated Ba1 or lower by Moody's Investors Service (or rated BB+ or lower by Standard & Poor's or Fitch Investors Service). All bonds in the Index have maturities of at least one year.
- 5 SALOMON BROTHERS WORLD GOVERNMENT INDEX (NON U.S.) includes over 800 bonds issued by various foreign governments or agencies, excluding those in the U.S., but including those in Japan, Germany, France, the U.K., Canada, Italy, Australia, Belgium, Denmark, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, and Austria. All bonds in the index have maturities of at least one year.

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This chart illustrates the performance of major world stock markets for the period from 1986 through 1995. It does not represent the performance of any Prudential Mutual Fund.

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS OF MAJOR WORLD STOCK MARKETS (1985-1995) (IN U.S. DOLLARS)

EDGAR REPRESENTATION OF DATA POINTS USED IN PRINTED GRAPHIC

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HONG KONG	23.8%
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Belgium	20.7%
Sweden	19.4%
Netherland	19.3%
Spain	17.9%
Switzerland	17.1%
France	15.3%
U.K.	15.0%
U.S.	14.8%
Japan	12.8%
Austria	10.9%
Germany	10.7%

 |Source: Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI). Used with permission. Morgan Stanley Country indices are unmanaged indices which include those stocks making up the largest two-thirds of each country's total stock market capitalization. Returns reflect the reinvestment of all distributions. This chart is for illustrative purposes only and is not indicative of the past, present or future performance of any specific investment. Investors cannot invest directly in stock indices.

This chart shows the growth of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment made in the stocks representing the S&P 500 stock index with and without reinvested dividends.

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Source: Stocks, Bonds, Bills, and Inflation 1995 Yearbook, Ibbotson Associates, Chicago (annually updates work by Roger G. Ibbotson and Rex A. Sinquefield). Used with permission. All rights reserved. This chart is used for illustrative purposes only and is not intended to represent the past, present or future performance of any Prudential Mutual Fund. Common stock total return is based on the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index, a market-value-weighted index made up of 500 of the largest stocks in the U.S. based upon their stock market value. Investors cannot invest directly in indices.

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WORLD STOCK MARKET CAPITALIZATION BY REGION WORLD TOTAL: \$12.4 TRILLION

EDGAR REPRESENTATION OF DATA POINTS USED IN PRINTED GRAPHIC

Source: Morgan Stanley Capital International, December 1995. Used with permission. This chart represents the capitalization of major world stock markets as measured by the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) World Index. The total market capitalization is based on the value of 1579 companies in 22 countries (representing approximately 60% of the aggregate market value of the stock exchanges). This chart is for illustrative purposes only and does not represent the allocation of any Prudential Mutual Fund.

This chart below shows the historical volatility of general interest rates as measured by the long U.S. Treasury Bond.

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Source: Stocks, Bonds, Bills, and Inflation 1996 Yearbook, Ibbotson Associates, Chicago (annually updates work by Roger G. Ibbotson and Rex A. Sinquefield). Used with permission. All rights reserved. The chart illustrates the historical yield of the long-term U.S. Treasury Bond from 1926-1995. Yields represent that of an annually renewed one-bond portfolio with a remaining maturity of approximately 20 years. This chart is for illustrative purposes and should not be construed to represent the yields of any Prudential Mutual Fund.

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APPENDIX III--INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PRUDENTIAL

Set forth below is information relating to The Prudential Insurance Company of America (Prudential) and its subsidiaries as well as information relating to the Prudential Mutual Funds. See "How the Fund Is Managed--Manager" in the Prospectus. The data will be used in sales materials relating to the Prudential Mutual Funds. Unless otherwise indicated, the information is as of December 31, 1995 and is subject to change thereafter. All information relies on data provided by The Prudential Investment Corporation (PIC) or from other sources believed by the Manager to be reliable. Such information has not been verified by the Fund.

INFORMATION ABOUT PRUDENTIAL

The Manager and PIC are subsidiaries of Prudential, which is one of the largest diversified financial services institutions in the world and, based on total assets, the largest insurance company in North America as of December 31, 1995. Its primary business is to offer a full range of products and services in three areas: insurance, investments and home ownership for individuals and families; health-care management and other benefit programs for employees of companies and members of groups; and asset management for institutional clients and their associates. Prudential (together with its subsidiaries) employs more than 92,000 persons worldwide, and maintains a sales force of approximately 13,000 agents and 5,600 financial advisors. Prudential is a major issuer of annuities, including variable annuities. Prudential seeks to develop innovative products and services to meet consumer needs in each of its business areas. Prudential uses the Rock of Gibraltar as its symbol. The Prudential rock is a recognized brand name throughout the world.

INSURANCE. Prudential has been engaged in the insurance business since 1875. It insures or provides financial services to more than 50 million people worldwide--one of every five people in the United States. Long one of the largest issuers of individual life insurance, the Prudential has 19 million life insurance policies in force today with a face value of \$1 trillion. Prudential

has the largest capital base ($$11.4\ billion$) of any life insurance company in the United States. The Prudential provides auto insurance for more than 1.7 million cars and insures more than 1.4 million homes.

MONEY MANAGEMENT. The Prudential is one of the largest pension fund managers in the country, providing pension services to 1 in 3 Fortune 500 firms. It manages \$36 billion of individual retirement plan assets, such as 401(k) plans. In July 1995, INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR ranked Prudential the fifth largest institutional money manager of the 300 largest money management organizations in the United States as of December 31, 1995. As of December 31, 1995, Prudential had more than \$314 billion in assets under management. Prudential's Investments, a business group of Prudential (of which Prudential Mutual Funds is a key part) manages over \$190 billion in assets of institutions and individuals.

REAL ESTATE. The Prudential Real Estate Affiliates, the fourth largest real estate brokerage network in the United States, has more than 34,000 brokers and agents and more than 1,100 offices in the United States.(2)

HEALTHCARE. Over two decades ago, the Prudential introduced the first federally-funded, for-profit HMO in the country. Today, almost 5 million Americans receive healthcare from a Prudential managed care membership.

FINANCIAL SERVICES. The Prudential Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Prudential, has nearly \$3 billion in assets and serves nearly 1.5 million customers across 50 states.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE PRUDENTIAL MUTUAL FUNDS

Prudential Mutual Fund Management is one of the seventeen largest mutual fund companies in the country, with over 2.5 million shareholders invested in more than 50 mutual fund portfolios and variable annuities with more than 3.7 million shareholder accounts.

The Prudential Mutual Funds have over 30 portfolio managers who manage over \$55 billion in mutual fund and variable annuity assets. Some of Prudential's portfolio managers have over 20 years of experience managing investment portfolios.

(1) Prudential Mutual Fund Investment Management, a unit of PIC, serves as the Subadviser to substantially all of the Prudential Mutual Funds. Wellington Management Company serves as the subadviser to Global Utility Fund, Inc., Nicholas-Applegate Capital Management as subadviser to Nicholas-Applegate Fund, Inc., Jennison Associates Capital Corp. as the subadviser to Prudential Jennison Series Fund, Inc. and Prudential Active Balanced Fund a portfolio of Prudential Dryden Fund and Mercator Asset Management, L.P. as subadviser to International Stock Series a portfolio of Prudential World Fund, Inc. and BlackRock Financial Management, Inc. as subadviser to The BlackRock Government Income Trust. There are multiple subadvisers for The Target Portfolio Trust.

(2) As of December 31, 1994.

(3) As of December 31, 1995. The number of bonds and the size of the Fund are subject to change.

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From time to time, there may be media coverage of portfolio managers and other investment professionals associated with the Manager and the Subadviser in national and regional publications, on television and in other media. Additionally, individual mutual fund portfolios are frequently cited in surveys conducted by national and regional publications and media organizations such as THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, THE NEW YORK TIMES, BARRON'S and USA TODAY.

EQUITY FUNDS. FORBES magazine listed Prudential Equity Fund among twenty mutual funds on its Honor Roll in its mutual fund issue of August 28, 1995. Honorees are chosen annually among mutual funds (excluding sector funds) which are open to new investors and have had the same management for at least five years. FORBES considers, among other criteria, the total return of a mutual fund in both bull and bear markets as well as a fund's risk profile. Prudential Equity Fund is managed with a "value" investment style by PIC. In 1995, Prudential Securities introduced Prudential Jennison Growth Fund, a growth-style equity fund managed by Jennison Associates Capital Corp., a premier institutional equity manager and a subsidiary of Prudential.

HIGH YIELD FUNDS. Investing in high yield bonds is a complex and research intensive pursuit. A separate team of high yield bond analysts monitor the 167 issues held in the Prudential High Yield Fund (currently the largest fund of its kind in the country) along with 100 or so other high yield bonds, which may be considered for purchase.(3) Non-investment grade bonds, also known as junk bonds or high yield bonds, are subject to a greater risk of loss of principal and interest including default risk than higher-rated bonds. Prudential high yield portfolio managers and analysts meet face-to-face with almost every bond issuer in the High Yield Fund's portfolio annually, and have additional telephone contact throughout the year.

Prudential's portfolio managers are supported by a large and sophisticated research organization. Fourteen investment grade bond analysts monitor the financial viability of approximately 1,750 different bond issuers in the investment grade corporate and municipal bond markets—from IBM to small municipalities, such as Rockaway Township, New Jersey. These analysts consider among other things sinking fund provisions and interest coverage ratios.

Prudential's portfolio managers and analysts receive research services from almost 200 brokers and market service vendors. They also receive nearly 100 trade publications and newspapers—from Pulp and Paper Forecaster to Women's Wear Daily—to keep them informed of the industries they follow.

Prudential Mutual Funds' traders scan over 100 computer monitors to collect detailed information on which to trade. From natural gas prices in the Rocky Mountains to the results of local municipal elections, a Prudential portfolio manager or trader is able to monitor it if it's important to a Prudential mutual fund.

Prudential Mutual Funds trade approximately \$31 billion in U.S. and foreign government securities a year. PIC seeks information from government policy makers. In 1995, Prudential's portfolio managers met with several senior U.S. and foreign government officials, on issues ranging from economic conditions in foreign countries to the viability of index-linked securities in the United States.

Prudential Mutual Funds' portfolio managers and analysts met with over 1,200 companies in 1995, often with the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or Chief Financial Officer (CFO). They also attended over 250 industry conferences.

Prudential Mutual Fund global equity managers conducted many of their visits overseas, often holding private meetings with a company in a foreign language (our global equity managers speak 7 different languages, including Mandarin Chinese).

TRADING DATA.(4) On an average day, Prudential Mutual Funds' U.S. and foreign equity trading desks traded \$77 million in securities representing over 3.8 million shares with nearly 200 different firms. Prudential Mutual Funds' bond trading desks traded \$157 million in government and corporate bonds on an average day. That represents more in daily trading than most bond funds tracked by Lipper even have in assets.(5) Prudential Mutual Funds' money market desk traded \$3.2 billion in money market securities on an average day, or over \$800 billion a year. They made a trade every 3 minutes of every trading day. In 1994, the Prudential Mutual Funds effected more than 40,000 trades in money market securities and held on average \$20 billion of money market securities.(6)

(4)Trading data represents average daily transactions for portfolios of the Prudential Mutual Funds for which PIC serves as the subadviser, portfolios of the Prudential Series Fund and institutional and non-U.S. accounts managed by Prudential Mutual Fund Investment Management, a division of PIC, for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(5)Based on 669 funds in Lipper Analytical Services categories of Short U.S. Treasury, Short U.S. Government, Intermediate U.S. Treasury, Intermediate U.S. Government, Short Investment Grade Debt, Intermediate Investment Grade Debt, General U.S. Treasury, General U.S. Government and Mortgage funds.

(6) As of December 31, 1994.

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Based on complex-wide data, on an average day, over 7,250 shareholders telephoned Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc., the Transfer Agent of the Prudential Mutual Funds, on the Prudential Mutual Funds' toll-free number. On an annual basis, that represents approximately 1.8 million telephone calls answered

INFORMATION ABOUT PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES

Prudential Securities is the fifth largest retail brokerage firm in the United States with approximately 5,600 financial advisors. It offers to its clients a wide range of products, including Prudential Mutual Funds and annuities. As of December 31, 1995, assets held by Prudential Securities for its clients approximated \$168 billion. During 1994, over 28,000 new customer accounts were opened each month at PSI.(7)

Prudential Securities has a two-year Financial Advisor training program plus advanced education programs, including Prudential Securities "university," which provides advanced education in a wide array of investment areas. Prudential Securities is the only Wall Street firm to have its own in-house Certified Financial Planner (CFP) program. In the December 1995 issue of Registered Rep, an industry publication, Prudential Securities' Financial Advisor training programs received a grade of A-(compared to an industry average of B+).

In 1995, Prudential Securities' equity research team ranked 8th in INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR magazine's 1995 "All America Research Team" survey. Five Prudential Securities' analysts were ranked as first-team finishers.(8)

In addition to training, Prudential Securities provides its financial advisors with access to firm economists and market analysts. It has also developed proprietary tools for use by financial advisors, including the Financial ArchitectSM, a state-of-the-art asset allocation software program which helps Financial Advisors to evaluate a client's objectives and overall financial plan, and a comprehensive mutual fund information and analysis system that compares different mutual funds.

For more complete information about any of the Prudential Mutual Funds, including charges and expenses, call your Prudential Securities financial adviser or Pruco/Prudential representative for a free prospectus. Read it carefully before you invest or send money.

(7) As of December 31, 1994.

(8)On an annual basis, Institutional Investor magazine surveys more than 700 institutional money managers, chief investment officers and research directors, asking them to evaluate analysts in 76 industry sectors. Scores are produced by taking the number of votes awarded to an individual analyst and weighting them based on the size of the voting institution. In total, the magazine sends its survey to approximately 2,000 institutions and a group of European and Asian

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PART C OTHER INFORMATION

TTEM 24. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(A) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

(1) Financial Statements included in the Prospectus constituting Part A of this Registration Statement:

Financial Highlights

(2) Financial Statements included in the Statement of Additional Information constituting Part B of this Registration Statement:

Portfolio of Investments at October 31, 1996.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at October 31, 1996.

Statement of Operations for the year ended October 31, 1996.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the years ended October 31, 1996 and 1995

Notes to Financial Statements (Part B).

Financial Highlights

Independent Auditors' Report.

(B) EXHIBITS

- 1.(a) Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (File No. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR on January 3, 1995.
 - (b) Articles Supplementary, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1(b) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 7 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (File No. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR on December 9, 1995.
- 2.By-Laws of the Registrant, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2 to
 Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A
 (File No. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR.
- 3.Not Applicable.
- 4.(a) Specimen stock certificate (Class A Shares), incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4(a) to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on August 20, 1991.
 - (b) Specimen stock certificate (Class B Shares), incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. $4\,(b)$ to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on August 20, 1991.
 - (c) Instruments defining rights of shareholders, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(c) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement on form N-1A filed via EDGAR on December 30, 1993 (file No. 33-42391).
- 5.(a) Management Agreement between the Registrant and Prudential Mutual Fund Management, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 5(a) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on December 31, 1992.
 - (b) Subadvisory Agreement between Prudential Mutual Fund Management, Inc. and The Prudential Investment Corporation, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 5(b) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on December 31, 1992.

6.Distribution Agreement between the Registrant and Prudential Securities Incorporated.*

7.Not Applicable.

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- 8.(a) Custodian Contract between the Registrant and State Street Bank and Trust Company, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 8 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on December 31, 1992.
 - (b) Form of Amendment to Custodian Contract, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 8(b) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 6 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on November 2, 1995.
- 9.Transfer Agency and Service Agreement between Registrant and Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 9 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on December 31, 1992.
- 10.(a) Opinion of Shereff, Friedman, Hoffman & Goodman, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10 to Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on May 8, 1992.
 - (b) Opinion of Shereff, Friedman, Hoffman & Goodman, LLP.*
- 11.Consent of Independent Accountants.*
- 12.Not Applicable.
- 14.Not Applicable.
- 15.(a)(i) Distribution and Service Plan for Class A shares dated July 1, 1993, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 15(a)(ii) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement on form N-1A filed via EDGAR on December 30, 1993 (file No. 33-42391).
 - (b) (i) Distribution and Service Plan for Class B shares dated July 1, 1993, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 15(b)(ii) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement on form N-1A filed via EDGAR on December 30, 1993 (file No. 33-42391).
 - (c) Distribution and Service Plan for Class A shares, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 15(c) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file no. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR on January 3, 1995.
 - (d) Distribution and Service Plan for Class B shares, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 15(d) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file no. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR on January 3, 1995.
 - (e) Distribution and Service Plan for Class C shares, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. $15\,(e)$ to Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file no. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR on January 3, 1995.
- 16.(a) Schedule of Computation of Performance Quotations, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No 16 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on December 31, 1992.
- 17. Financial Data Schedules, filed as exhibit 27 for electronic purposes.*
- 18.Rule 18f-3 Plan, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 18 to
 Post-Effective Amendment No. 6 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A
 (file No. 33-42391) filed on November 2, 1995.
- * Filed herewith.
- ITEM 25. PERSONS CONTROLLED BY OR UNDER COMMON CONTROL WITH REGISTRANT

None

ITEM 26. NUMBER OF HOLDERS OF SECURITIES

As of December 6, 1996, there were 14,220, 48,213, 664 and 3,646 record holders of Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z shares, respectively, of common stock, \$.001 par value per share, of the Registrant.

ITEM 27. INDEMNIFICATION

As permitted by Section 17(h) and (i) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the 1940 Act) and pursuant to Article VII of the Fund's By-Laws (Exhibit 2 to the Registration Statement), officers, directors, employees and agents of the Registrant will not be liable to the Registrant, any stockholder, officer, director, employee, agent or other person for any action or failure to act, except for bad faith, willful misfeasance, gross negligence or reckless disregard of duties, and those individuals may be indemnified against liabilities in connection with the Registrant, subject to the same exceptions. Section 2-418 of Maryland General Corporation Law permits indemnification of directors who acted in good faith and reasonably believed that the conduct was in the best interest of the Registrant. As permitted by Section 17(i) of the 1940 Act, pursuant to Section 10 of each Distribution Agreement (Exhibits 6(a) and 6(b) to the Registration Statement), the Distributor of the Registrant may be indemnified against liabilities which may incur, except liabilities arising from bad faith, gross negligence, willful misfeasance or reckless disregard of duties.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 (Securities Act) may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the 1940 Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in connection with the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted against the Registrant by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the shares being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the 1940 Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

The Registrant has purchased an insurance policy insuring its officers and directors against liabilities, and certain costs of defending claims against such officers and directors, to the extent such officers and directors are not found to have committed conduct constituting willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard in the performance of their duties. The insurance policy also insures the Registrant against the cost of indemnification payments to officers and directors under certain circumstances.

Section 9 of the Management Agreement (Exhibit 5(a) to the Registration Statement) and Section 4 of the Subadvisory Agreement (Exhibit 5(b) to the Registration Statement) limit the liability of Prudential Mutual Fund Management, Inc. (PMF) and The Prudential Investment Corporation (PIC), respectively, to liabilities arising from willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of their respective duties or from reckless disregard by them of their respective obligations and duties under the agreements.

The Registrant hereby undertakes that it will apply the indemnification provisions of its By-Laws and each Distribution Agreement in a manner consistent with Release No. 11330 of the Securities and Exchange Commission under the 1940 Act so long as the interpretation of Section 17(h) and 17(i) of such Act remain in effect and are consistently applied.

ITEM 28. BUSINESS AND OTHER CONNECTIONS OF INVESTMENT ADVISER

(a) Prudential Mutual Fund Management LLC.

See "How the Fund is Managed--Manager" in the Prospectus constituting Part A of this Registration Statement and "Manager" in the Statement of Additional Information constituting Part B of this Registration Statement.

The business and other connections of the officers of PMF are listed in Schedules A and D of Form ADV of PMF as currently on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the text of which is hereby incorporated by reference (File No. 801-31104).

The business and other connections of PMF's directors and principal executive officers are set forth below. Except as otherwise indicated, the address of each person is Gateway Center Three, Newark, New Jersey 07102.

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Brian Storms President President, PMF

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(b) The Prudential Investment Corporation (PIC)

See "How the Fund is Managed--Manager" in the Prospectus constituting Part A of this Registration Statement and "Manager" in the Statement of Additional Information constituting Part B of this Registration Statement.

The business and other connections of PIC's directors and executive officers are as set forth below. Except as otherwise indicated, the address of each person is Prudential Plaza, Newark, NJ 07102.

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CAPTION> NAME AND ADDRESS	POSITION WITH PIC	PRINCIPAL OCCUPATIONS
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>
E. Michael Caulfield	Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer and Director	Chief Executive Officer of Prudential Investments
Jonathan M. Greene	Senior Vice President and Director	PresidentInvestment Management of Prudential Investments
John R. Strangfeld		

 Vice President and Director | President of Private Assets Management |

ITEM 29. PRINCIPAL UNDERWRITERS

(a) (i) Prudential Securities Incorporated

Prudential Securities Incorporated is distributor for Prudential Government Securities Trust (Short-Intermediate Term Series), Prudential Jennison Series Fund, Inc., The Target Portfolio Trust, The BlackRock Government Income Trust, Global Utility Fund, Inc., Nicholas Applegate Fund, Inc. (Nicholas-Applegate Growth Equity Fund), Prudential Allocation Fund, Prudential California Municipal Fund (California Income Series and California Series), Prudential Distressed Securities Fund, Inc., Prudential Diversified Bond Fund, Inc., Prudential Dryden Fund, Prudential Emerging Growth Fund, Inc., Prudential Equity Fund, Inc., Prudential Equity Income Fund, Prudential Europe Growth Fund, Inc., Prudential Global Genesis Fund, Inc., Prudential Global Limited Maturity Fund, Inc., Prudential Natural Resources Fund, Inc., Prudential Government Income Fund, Inc., Prudential Growth Opportunity Fund, Inc., Prudential High Yield Fund, Inc., Income Vertible Fund, Inc., Prudential Intermediate Global Income Fund, Inc., Prudential Mortgage, Prudential Multi-Sector Fund, Inc., Prudential Municipal Bond Fund, Prudential Municipal Series Fund (except Connecticut Money Market Series, Massachusetts Money Market Series, New York Money Market Series and New Jersey Money Market Series), Prudential National Municipals Fund, Inc., Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc., Prudential Special Money Market Fund, Inc., Prudential Structured Maturity Fund, Inc., Prudential Tax-Free Money Fund, Inc., Prudential U.S. Government Fund and Prudential Utility Fund, Inc., and Prudential World Fund, Inc. Prudential Securities is also a depositor for the following unit investment trusts:

Corporate Investment Trust Fund
Prudential Equity Trust Shares
National Equity Trust
Prudential Unit Trusts
Government Securities Equity Trust
National Municipal Trust

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(b) Information concerning the directors and officers of Prudential Securities Incorporated is set forth below.

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NAME (1)	OFFICES WITH UNDERWRITER	OFFICES WITH REGISTRANT
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Robert Golden One New York Plaza New York, NY 10292	Executive Vice President and Director	None
Alan D. Hogan	Executive Vice President, Chief	None
	Administrative Officer and Director	
George A. Murray	Executive Vice President and Director	None
Leland B. Paton One New York Plaza New York, NY 10292	Executive Vice President and Director	None
Martin Pfinsgraff	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director	None
Vincent T. Pica, II One New York Plaza New York, NY 10292	Executive Vice President and Director	None
Hardwick Simmons	Chief Executive Officer, President and Director	None
Lee B. Spencer Jr	Executive Vice President, Secretary, General Counsel and Director	None

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- (1) The address of each person named is One Seaport Plaza, New York, NY 10292 unless otherwise indicated.
 - (c) Registrant has no principal underwriter who is not an affiliated person of the Registrant.

ITEM 30. LOCATION OF ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS

All accounts, books and other documents required to be maintained by Section 31(a) of the 1940 Act and the Rules thereunder are maintained at the offices of State Street Bank and Trust Company, One Heritage Drive, North Quincy, Massachusetts 02171. The Prudential Investment Corporation, Prudential Plaza, 745 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102, the Registrant, Gateway Center Three, 100 Mulberry Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102, and Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc., Raritan Plaza One, Edison, New Jersey 08837. Documents required by Rules 31a-1(b)(5), (6), (7), (9), (10) and (11) and 31a-1(f) will be kept at Three Gateway Center, documents required by Rules 31a-1(b)(4) and (11) and 31a-1(d) at One Seaport Plaza and the remaining accounts, books and other documents required by such other pertinent provisions of Section 31(a) and the Rules promulgated thereunder will be kept by State Street Bank and Trust Company and Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc.

ITEM 31. MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Other than as set forth under the captions "How the Fund is Managed--Manager" and "How the Fund is Managed-- Distributor" in the Prospectus and the captions "Manager" and "Distributor" in the Statement of Additional Information, constituting Parts A and B, respectively, of this Registration Statement, Registrant is not a party to any management-related service contract.

ITEM 32. UNDERTAKINGS

The Registrant undertakes to furnish to each person to whom a prospectus is delivered with a copy of the Registrant's latest annual report to shareholders, upon request and without charge.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Registrant certifies that it has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Newark, and State of New Jersey, on the 27th day of December, 1996.

PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC.

By /s/ RICHARD A. REDEKER

(Richard A. Redeker, PRESIDENT)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment to the Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
/s/ EDWARD D. BEACH Edward D. Beach	Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ STEPHEN C. EYRE Stephen C. Eyre	Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ DELAYNE D. GOLD Delayne D. Gold	Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ ROBERT F. GUNIA Robert F. Gunia	Vice President and Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ DON G. HOFF Don G. Hoff	Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ ROBERT E. LABLANC Robert E. LaBlanc	Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ MENDEL A. MELZER Mendel A. Melzer	Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ RICHARD A. REDEKER	President and Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ ROBIN B. SMITH Robin B. Smith	Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ STEPHEN STONEBURN Stephen Stoneburn	Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ NANCY H. TEETERSNancy H. Teeters	Director	December 27, 1996
/s/ EUGENE S. STARKEugene S. Stark	Treasurer, Principal Financial and Accounting Officer	December 27, 1996

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 (a) Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 1 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR on January 3, 1995.

(b) Articles Supplementary, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1(b) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 7 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (File No. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR on December 29, 1995.

- By-Laws of the Registrant, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (File No. 33,42391) filed via EDGAR.
- Not Applicable.
- 4. (a) Specimen stock certificate (Class A Shares), incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4(a) to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on August 20, 1991.
 - (b) Specimen stock certificate (Class B Shares), incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 4 (b) to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on August 20, 1991.
 - (c) Instruments defining rights of shareholders, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(c) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement on form N-1A filed via EDGAR on December 30, 1993 (file No. 33-42391).

- 5. (a) Management Agreement between the Registrant and Prudential Mutual Fund Management, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 5(a) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on December 31, 1992.
 - (b) Subadvisory Agreement between Prudential Mutual Fund Management, Inc. and The Prudential Investment Corporation, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 5(b) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on December 31, 1992.
- 6. Distribution Agreement between the Registrant and Prudential Securities Incorporated.*
- 7. Not Applicable.
- 8. (a) Custodian Contract between the Registrant and State Street Bank and Trust Company, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 8 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on December 31, 1992.
 - (b) Form of Amendment to Custodian Contract, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 8(b) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 6 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on November 2, 1995.
- 9. Transfer Agency and Service Agreement between Registrant and Prudential Mutual Fund Services, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 9 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on December 31, 1992.
- 10. (a) Opinion of Shereff, Friedman, Hoffman & Goodman, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10 to Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on May 8, 1992.
 - (b) Opinion of Shereff, Friedman, Hoffman & Goodman, LLP.*
- 11. Consent of Independent Accountants.*
- 12. Not Applicable.

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- 15. (a)(i) Distribution and Service Plan for Class A shares, dated July 1, 1993 incorporated by reference to Exhibit 15(a)(ii) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement on form N-1A filed via EDGAR on December 30, 1993 (file No. 33-42391).
 - (b) (i) Amended and Restated Distribution and Service Plan for Class B shares dated July 1, 1993, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 15(b) (ii) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement on form N -1A filed via EDGAR on December 30, 1993 (file No. 33-42391).
 - (c) Distribution and Service Plan for Class A shares, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No.15(c) to Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file no. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR on January 3, 1995.
 - (d) Distribution and Service Plan for Class B shares, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No.15 (d) to Post-Effective Amendment No.5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file no. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR on January 3, 1995.
 - (e) Distribution and Service Plan for Class C shares, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No.15 (e) to Post-Effective Amendment No.5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file no. 33-42391) filed via EDGAR on January 3, 1995.
- 16. (a) Schedule of Computation of Performance Quotations, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No 16 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on December 31, 1992.
- 17. Financial Data Schedules, filed as exhibit 27 for electronic purposes.*
- 18. Rule 18f-3 Plan, incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 18 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 6 to the Registration Statement on Form N-1A (file No. 33-42391) filed on November 2, 1995.

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* Filed herewith.

PRUDENTIAL PACIFIC GROWTH FUND, INC.

DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT

Agreement made as of April 11, 1996 between Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the Fund), and Prudential Securities Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the Distributor).

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Fund is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the Investment Company Act), as a diversified, open-end, management investment company and it is in the interest of the Fund to offer its shares for sale continuously;

WHEREAS, the shares of the Fund may be divided into classes and/or series (all such shares being referred to herein as Shares) and the Fund currently is authorized to offer Class A, Class B, Class C and Class Z Shares;

WHEREAS, the Distributor is a broker-dealer registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and is engaged in the business of selling shares of registered investment companies either directly or through other broker-dealers;

WHEREAS, the Fund and the Distributor wish to enter into an agreement with each other, with respect to the continuous offering of the Fund's Shares from and after the date hereof in order to promote the growth of the Fund and facilitate the distribution of its Shares; and

WHEREAS, upon approval by the holders of the respective classes and/or series of Shares of the Fund it is contemplated that the Fund will adopt a plan (or plans) of distribution pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the Investment Company Act with respect to certain of its classes and/or series of Shares (the Plans) authorizing payments by the Fund to the Distributor with respect to the distribution of such classes and/or series of Shares and the maintenance of related shareholder accounts.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

Section 1. APPOINTMENT OF THE DISTRIBUTOR

The Fund hereby appoints the Distributor as the principal underwriter and distributor of the Shares of the Fund to sell Shares to the public on behalf of the Fund and the Distributor

Fund hereby agrees during the term of this Agreement to sell Shares of the Fund through the Distributor on the terms and conditions set forth below.

Section 2. EXCLUSIVE NATURE OF DUTIES

The Distributor shall be the exclusive representative of the Fund to act as principal underwriter and distributor of the Fund's Shares, except that:

- 2.1 The exclusive rights granted to the Distributor to sell Shares of the Fund shall not apply to Shares of the Fund issued in connection with the merger or consolidation of any other investment company or personal holding company with the Fund or the acquisition by purchase or otherwise of all (or substantially all) the assets or the outstanding shares of any such company by the Fund.
- 2.2 Such exclusive rights shall not apply to Shares issued by the Fund pursuant to reinvestment of dividends or capital gains distributions or through the exercise of any conversion feature or exchange privilege.
- 2.3 Such exclusive rights shall not apply to Shares issued by the Fund pursuant to the reinstatement privilege afforded redeeming shareholders.
- 2.4 Such exclusive rights shall not apply to purchases made through the Fund's transfer and dividend disbursing agent in the manner set forth in the currently effective Prospectus of the Fund. The term "Prospectus" shall mean the Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information included as part of the Fund's Registration Statement, as such Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information may be amended or supplemented from time to time, and the term "Registration Statement" shall mean the Registration Statement filed by the Fund with the Securities and Exchange Commission and effective under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (Securities Act), and the Investment Company Act, as such Registration Statement is amended from time to time.

Section 3. PURCHASE OF SHARES FROM THE FUND

- 3.1 The Distributor shall have the right to buy from the Fund on behalf of investors the Shares needed, but not more than the Shares needed (except for clerical errors in transmission) to fill unconditional orders for Shares placed with the Distributor by investors or registered and qualified securities dealers and other financial institutions (selected dealers).
- 3.2 The Shares shall be sold by the Distributor on behalf of the Fund and delivered by the Distributor or selected

dealers, as described in Section 6.4 hereof, to investors at the offering price as set forth in the Prospectus.

- 3.3 The Fund shall have the right to suspend the sale of any or all classes and/or series of its Shares at times when redemption is suspended pursuant to the conditions in Section 4.3 hereof or at such other times as may be determined by the Board of Directors. The Fund shall also have the right to suspend the sale of any or all classes and/or series of its Shares if a banking moratorium shall have been declared by federal or New York authorities.
- 3.4 The Fund, or any agent of the Fund designated in writing by the Fund, shall be promptly advised of all purchase orders for Shares received by the Distributor. Any order may be rejected by the Fund; provided, however, that the Fund will not arbitrarily or without reasonable cause refuse to accept or confirm orders for the purchase of Shares. The Fund (or its agent) will confirm orders upon their receipt, will make appropriate book entries and upon receipt by the Fund (or its agent) of payment therefor, will deliver deposit receipts for such Shares pursuant to the instructions of the Distributor. Payment shall be made to the Fund in New York Clearing House funds or federal funds. The Distributor agrees to cause such payment and such instructions to be delivered promptly to the Fund (or its agent).

Section 4. REPURCHASE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES BY THE FUND

- 4.1 Any of the outstanding Shares may be tendered for redemption at any time, and the Fund agrees to repurchase or redeem the Shares so tendered in accordance with its Articles of Incorporation as amended from time to time, and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Prospectus. The price to be paid to redeem or repurchase the Shares shall be equal to the net asset value determined as set forth in the Prospectus. All payments by the Fund hereunder shall be made in the manner set forth in Section 4.2 below.
- 4.2 The Fund shall pay the total amount of the redemption price as defined in the above paragraph pursuant to the instructions of the Distributor on or before the seventh day subsequent to its having received the notice of redemption in proper form. The proceeds of any redemption of Shares shall be paid by the Fund as follows: (i) in the case of Shares subject to a contingent deferred sales charge, any applicable contingent deferred sales charge shall be paid to the Distributor, and the balance shall be paid to or for the account of the redeeming shareholder, in each case in accordance with applicable provisions of the Prospectus; and (ii) in the case of all other Shares, proceeds shall be paid to or for the account of the redeeming shareholder, in each case in accordance with applicable provisions of the Prospectus.

4.3 Redemption of any class and/or series of Shares or payment may be suspended at times when the New York Stock Exchange is closed for other than customary weekends and holidays, when trading on said Exchange is restricted, when an emergency exists as a result of which disposal by the Fund of securities owned by it is not reasonably practicable or it is not reasonably practicable for the Fund fairly to determine the value of its net assets, or during any other period when the Securities and Exchange Commission, by order, so permits.

Section 5. DUTIES OF THE FUND

- 5.1 Subject to the possible suspension of the sale of Shares as provided herein, the Fund agrees to sell its Shares so long as it has Shares of the respective class and/or series available.
- 5.2 The Fund shall furnish the Distributor copies of all information, financial statements and other papers which the Distributor may reasonably request for use in connection with the distribution of Shares, and this shall include one certified copy, upon request by the Distributor, of all financial statements prepared for the Fund by independent public accountants. The Fund shall make available to the Distributor such number of copies of its Prospectus and annual and interim reports as the Distributor shall reasonably request.
- 5.3 The Fund shall take, from time to time, but subject to the necessary approval of the Board of Directors and the shareholders, all necessary action to fix the number of authorized Shares and such steps as may be necessary to register the same under the Securities Act, to the end that there will be available for sale such number of Shares as the Distributor reasonably may expect to sell. The Fund agrees to file from time to time such amendments, reports and other documents as may be necessary in order that there will be no untrue statement of a material fact in the Registration Statement, or necessary in order that there will be no omission to state a material fact in the Registration Statement which omission would make the statements therein misleading.
- 5.4 The Fund shall use its best efforts to qualify and maintain the qualification of any appropriate number of its Shares for sales under the securities laws of such states as the Distributor and the Fund may approve; provided that the Fund shall not be required to amend its Articles of Incorporation or By-Laws to comply with the laws of any state, to maintain an office in any state, to change the terms of the offering of its Shares in any state from the terms set forth in its Registration Statement, to qualify as a foreign corporation in any state or to consent to service of process in any state other than with respect to claims arising out of the offering of its Shares. Any such qualification

may be withheld, terminated or withdrawn by the Fund at any time in its discretion. As provided in Section 9 hereof, the expense of qualification and maintenance of qualification shall be borne by the Fund. The Distributor shall furnish such information and other material relating to its affairs and activities as may be required by the Fund in connection with such qualifications.

Section 6. DUTIES OF THE DISTRIBUTOR

- 6.1 The Distributor shall devote reasonable time and effort to effect sales of Shares, but shall not be obligated to sell any specific number of Shares. Sales of the Shares shall be on the terms described in the Prospectus. The Distributor may enter into like arrangements with other investment companies. The Distributor shall compensate the selected dealers as set forth in the Prospectus.
- 6.2 In selling the Shares, the Distributor shall use its best efforts in all respects duly to conform with the requirements of all federal and state laws relating to the sale of such securities. Neither the Distributor nor any selected dealer nor any other person is authorized by the Fund to give any information or to make any representations, other than those contained in the Registration Statement or Prospectus and any sales literature approved by appropriate officers of the Fund.
- 6.3 The Distributor shall adopt and follow procedures for the confirmation of sales to investors and selected dealers, the collection of amounts payable by investors and selected dealers on such sales and the cancellation of unsettled transactions, as may be necessary to comply with the requirements of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (NASD).
- 6.4 The Distributor shall have the right to enter into selected dealer agreements with registered and qualified securities dealers and other financial institutions of its choice for the sale of Shares, provided that the Fund shall approve the forms of such agreements. Within the United States, the Distributor shall offer and sell Shares only to such selected dealers as are members in good standing of the NASD. Shares sold to selected dealers shall be for resale by such dealers only at the offering price determined as set forth in the Prospectus.

Section 7. PAYMENTS TO THE DISTRIBUTOR

7.1 With respect to classes and/or series of Shares which impose a front-end sales charge, the Distributor shall receive and may retain any portion of any front-end sales charge which is imposed on such sales and not reallocated to selected dealers as set forth in the Prospectus, subject to the limitations of Article III, Section 26 of the NASD Rules of Fair Practice.

Payment of these amounts to the Distributor is not contingent upon the adoption or continuation of any applicable Plans.

7.2 With respect to classes and/or series of Shares which impose a contingent deferred sales charge, the Distributor shall receive and may retain any contingent deferred sales charge which is imposed on such sales as set forth in the Prospectus, subject to the limitations of Article III, Section 26 of the NASD Rules of Fair Practice. Payment of these amounts to the Distributor is not contingent upon the adoption or continuation of any Plan.

Section 8. PAYMENT OF THE DISTRIBUTOR UNDER THE PLAN

- 8.1 The Fund shall pay to the Distributor as compensation for services under any Plans adopted by the Fund and this Agreement a distribution and service fee with respect to the Fund's classes and/or series of Shares as described in each of the Fund's respective Plans and this Agreement.
- 8.2 So long as a Plan or any amendment thereto is in effect, the Distributor shall inform the Board of Directors of the commissions and account servicing fees with respect to the relevant class and/or series of Shares to be paid by the Distributor to account executives of the Distributor and to broker-dealers and financial institutions which have dealer agreements with the Distributor. So long as a Plan (or any amendment thereto) is in effect, at the request of the Board of Directors or any agent or representative of the Fund, the Distributor shall provide such additional information as may reasonably be requested concerning the activities of the Distributor hereunder and the costs incurred in performing such activities with respect to the relevant class and/or series of Shares.

Section 9. ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES

The Fund shall bear all costs and expenses of the continuous offering of its Shares (except for those costs and expenses borne by the Distributor pursuant to a Plan and subject to the requirements of Rule 12b-1 under the Investment Company Act), including fees and disbursements of its counsel and auditors, in connection with the preparation and filing of any required Registration Statements and/or Prospectuses under the Investment Company Act or the Securities Act, and all amendments and supplements thereto, and preparing and mailing annual and periodic reports and proxy materials to shareholders (including but not limited to the expense of setting in type any such Registration Statements, Prospectuses, annual or periodic reports or proxy materials). The Fund shall also bear the cost of expenses of qualification of the Shares for sale, and, if necessary or advisable in connection therewith, of qualifying the Fund as a broker or dealer, in such states of the United States or other

jurisdictions as shall be selected by the Fund and the Distributor pursuant to Section 5.4 hereof and the cost and expense payable to each such state for continuing qualification therein until the Fund decides to discontinue such qualification pursuant to Section 5.4 hereof. As set forth in Section 8 above, the Fund shall also bear the expenses it assumes pursuant to any Plan, so long as such Plan is in effect.

Section 10. INDEMNIFICATION

10.1 The Fund agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Distributor, its officers and directors and any person who controls the Distributor within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act, free and harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, liabilities and expenses (including the cost of investigating or defending such claims, demands or liabilities and any reasonable counsel fees incurred in connection therewith) which the Distributor, its officers, directors or any such controlling person may incur under the Securities Act, or under common law or otherwise, arising out of or based upon any untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement or Prospectus or arising out of or based upon any alleged omission to state a material fact required to be stated in either thereof or necessary to make the statements in either thereof not misleading, except insofar as such claims, demands, liabilities or expenses arise out of or are based upon any such untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing by the Distributor to the Fund for use in the Registration Statement or Prospectus; provided, however, that this indemnity agreement shall not inure to the benefit of any such officer, director, trustee or controlling person unless a court of competent jurisdiction shall determine in a final decision on the merits, that the person to be indemnified was not liable by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of its duties, or by reason of its reckless disregard of its obligations under this Agreement (disabling conduct), or, in the absence of such a decision, a reasonable determination, based upon a review of the facts, that the indemnified person was not liable by reason of disabling conduct, by (a) a vote of a majority of a quorum of directors or trustees who are neither "interested persons" of the Fund as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act nor parties to the proceeding, or (b) an independent legal counsel in a written opinion. The Fund's agreement to indemnify the Distributor, its officers and directors or trustees and any such controlling person as aforesaid is expressly conditioned upon the Fund's being promptly notified of any action brought against the Distributor, its officers or directors or trustees, or any such controlling person, such notification to be given by letter or telegram addressed to the Fund at its principal business office. The Fund agrees promptly to notify the Distributor of the commencement of any litigation or proceedings against it or any of

its officers or directors in connection with the issue and sale of any Shares.

10.2 The Distributor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Fund, its officers and Directors and any person who controls the Fund, if any, within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act, free and harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, liabilities and expenses (including the cost of investigating or defending against such claims, demands or liabilities and any reasonable counsel fees incurred in connection therewith) which the Fund, its officers and Directors or any such controlling person may incur under the Securities Act or under common law or otherwise, but only to the extent that such liability or expense incurred by the Fund, its Directors or officers or such controlling person resulting from such claims or demands shall arise out of or be based upon any alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in information furnished in writing by the Distributor to the Fund for use in the Registration Statement or Prospectus or shall arise out of or be based upon any alleged omission to state a material fact in connection with such information required to be stated in the Registration Statement or Prospectus or necessary to make such information not misleading. The Distributor's agreement to indemnify the Fund, its officers and Directors and any such controlling person as aforesaid, is expressly conditioned upon the Distributor's being promptly notified of any action brought against the Fund, its officers and Directors or any such controlling person, such notification being given to the Distributor at its principal business office.

Section 11. DURATION AND TERMINATION OF THIS AGREEMENT

11.1 This Agreement shall become effective as of the date first above written and shall remain in force for two years from the date hereof and thereafter, but only so long as such continuance is specifically approved at least annually by (a) the Board of Directors of the Fund, or by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the applicable class and/or series of the Fund, and (b) by the vote of a majority of those Directors who are not parties to this Agreement or interested persons of any such parties and who have no direct or indirect financial interest in this Agreement or in the operation of any of the Fund's Plans or in any agreement related thereto (Independent Directors), cast in person at a meeting called for the purpose of voting upon such approval.

11.2 This Agreement may be terminated at any time, without the payment of any penalty, by a majority of the Independent Directors or by vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the applicable class and/or series of the Fund, or by the Distributor, on sixty (60) days' written notice to the other party. This Agreement shall automatically terminate in the event of its assignment.

11.3 The terms "affiliated person," "assignment," "interested person" and "vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities", when used in this Agreement, shall have the respective meanings specified in the Investment Company Act.

Section 12. AMENDMENTS TO THIS AGREEMENT

This Agreement may be amended by the parties only if such amendment is specifically approved by (a) the Board of Directors of the Fund, or by the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the applicable class and/or series of the Fund, and (b) by the vote of a majority of the Independent Directors cast in person at a meeting called for the purpose of voting on such amendment.

Section 13. SEPARATE AGREEMENT AS TO CLASSES AND/OR SERIES

The amendment or termination of this Agreement with respect to any class and/or series shall not result in the amendment or termination of this Agreement with respect to any other class and/or series unless explicitly so provided.

Section 14. GOVERNING LAW

The provisions of this Agreement shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of New York as at the time in effect and the applicable provisions of the Investment Company Act. To the extent that the applicable law of the State of New York, or any of the provisions herein, conflict with the applicable provisions of the Investment Company Act, the latter shall control.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year above written.

Prudential Securities Incorporated

By: /s/ Robert F. Gunia
----Robert F. Gunia

Senior Vice President

Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc.

By: /s/ Richard A. Redeker
-----Richard A. Redeker
President

SHEREFF, FRIEDMAN, HOFFMAN & GOODMAN, LLP 919 Third Avenue New York, New York 10022

December 27, 1996

Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc. Gateway Center Three
100 Mulberry Street, 9th Floor
Newark, New Jersey 07102-4077

Gentlemen and Ladies:

Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc. (the "Fund"), is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission Post-Effective Amendment No. 8 to its Registration Statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act") on Form N-1A (File Nos. 33-42391 and 811-6391), relating to the registration under the 1933 Act of 1,913,759 additional shares of its Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share (the "Additional Shares"), which are to be offered and sold by the Fund in the manner and on the terms set forth in the prospectus of the Fund current and effective under the 1933 Act at the time of sale. Of the Additional Shares, 1,892,345 are previously outstanding shares of the Fund's Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share, which were redeemed by the Fund during its fiscal year ended October 31, 1996. According to Post-Effective Amendment No. 8 to the Fund's Registration Statement, none of the Additional Shares have been used by the Fund for reduction pursuant to paragraph (a) of Rule 24e-2 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), in previous filings of post-effective amendments to the Fund's Registration Statement during the current fiscal year, or for the reduction pursuant to paragraph (c) of Rule 24f-2 under the 1940 Act during the Fund's current fiscal year, of the registration fee payable by the Fund for the registration of shares for sale under the 1933 Act.

We have, as counsel, participated in various proceedings relating to the Fund and to the proposed issuance of the Additional Shares. We have examined copies, either certified or otherwise proven to our satisfaction to be genuine, of the Fund's Articles of Incorporation and By-laws, as currently in effect, and a certificate dated December 18, 1996, issued by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of the State of Maryland, certifying the existence and good standing of the Fund. We are generally familiar with the corporate affairs of the Fund.

Based upon the foregoing, it is our opinion that:

1. The Fund has been duly organized and is validly existing under the laws of the State of Maryland.

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- 2. The Fund is authorized to issue two billion (2,000,000,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share. Under Maryland law, (a) the number of authorized shares may be increased or decreased by action of the Board of Directors and (b) shares which are issued and subsequently redeemed by the Fund are, by virtue of such redemption, restored to the status of authorized and unissued shares.
- 3. Subject to the effectiveness of the above-mentioned Post-Effective Amendment No. 8 to the Fund's Registration Statement and compliance with applicable state securities laws, upon the issuance of the Additional Shares for a consideration not less than the par value thereof as required by the laws of Maryland, and not less than the net asset value thereof as required by the 1940 Act and in accordance with the terms of the Registration Statement, such shares will be legally issued and outstanding and fully paid and non-assessable.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a part of the above-mentioned Post-Effective Amendment No. 8 to the Registration Statement and with any state securities commission where such filing is required. In giving this consent we do not admit that we come within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the 1933 Act.

We are members of the Bar of the State of New York and do not hold ourselves out as being conversant with the laws of any jurisdiction other than those of the United States of America and the State of New York. We note that we are not licensed to practice law in the State of Maryland, and to the extent that any opinion herein involves the laws of the State of Maryland, such opinion should be understood to be based solely upon our review of the documents referred to above, the published statutes of the State of Maryland and, where applicable, published cases, rules or regulations of regulatory bodies of that State.

Very truly yours, /s/ Shereff, Friedman, Hoffman & Goodman, LLP Shereff, Friedman, Hoffman & Goodman, LLP

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the use in Post-Effective Amendment No. 8 to Registration Statement No. 33-42391 of Prudential Pacific Growth Fund, Inc. of our report dated December 12, 1996, appearing in the Statement of Additional Information, which is a part of such Registration Statement, and to the references to us under the headings "Financial Highlights" in the Prospectus, which is a part of such Registration Statement, and "Custodian, Transfer and Dividend Disbursing Agent and Independent Accountants" in the Statement of Additional Information.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP Deloitte & Touche LLP New York, New York December 23, 1996

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