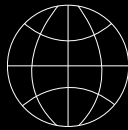


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Global Realty Majors

An ALPS Advisors, Inc. Solution

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INTRODUCTION—ALPS ETF TRUST

The ALPS ETF Trust (the “Trust”) is an investment company currently consisting of two separate exchange traded “index funds.” This prospectus relates to the Cohen & Steers Global Realty Majors ETF (the “Fund”). The Fund seeks investment results that correspond generally to the performance, before the Fund’s fees and expenses, of an index called the Cohen & Steers Global Realty Majors Index. ALPS Advisors, Inc. is the investment adviser for the Fund (the “Investment Adviser”). Mellon Capital Management Corporation is the investment sub-adviser for the Fund (the “Sub-Adviser”).

The Fund’s shares (the “Shares”) are listed on the NYSE Arca, Inc. (the “ARCA”). The Fund’s Shares trade at market prices that may differ to some degree from the net asset value (“NAV”) of the Shares. Unlike conventional mutual funds, the Fund issues and redeems Shares on a continuous basis, at NAV, only in large specified blocks of 50,000 Shares, each of which is called a “Creation Unit.” Creation Units are issued and redeemed principally in kind for securities included in a specified index. **Except when aggregated in Creation Units, Shares are not redeemable securities of the Fund.**

WHO SHOULD INVEST

The Fund is designed for investors who seek a relatively low cost “passive” approach for investing in a portfolio of equity securities of companies in a specified index. The Fund may be suitable for long-term investment in the market represented by a specified index and may also be used as an asset allocation tool or as a speculative trading instrument.

TAX-ADVANTAGED PRODUCT STRUCTURE

Unlike interests in many conventional mutual funds, the Shares are traded throughout the day on a national securities exchange, whereas mutual fund interests are typically only bought and sold at closing net asset values. The Shares have been designed to be tradable in the secondary market on a national securities exchange on an intra-day basis, and to be created and redeemed principally in-kind in Creation Units at each day’s next calculated NAV. These arrangements are designed to protect ongoing shareholders from adverse effects on the Fund’s portfolio that could arise from frequent cash creation and redemption transactions. In a conventional mutual fund, redemptions can have an adverse tax impact on taxable shareholders because of the mutual fund’s need to sell portfolio securities to obtain cash to meet fund redemptions. These sales may generate taxable gains for the shareholders of the mutual fund, whereas the Shares’ in-kind redemption mechanism generally will not lead to a tax event for the Fund or its ongoing shareholders.

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Investment Objective

The Fund seeks investment results that correspond generally to the performance, before the Fund's fees and expenses, of an index called the Cohen & Steers Global Realty Majors Index (the "Index"). The Fund's investment objective is not fundamental and may be changed by the Board of Trustees without shareholder approval.

Primary Investment Strategies

The Fund, using a low cost "passive" or "indexing" investment approach, seeks to replicate, before expenses, the performance of the Cohen & Steers Global Realty Majors Index. The Index consists of the largest and most liquid securities within the global real estate universe that Cohen & Steers Capital Management, Inc. ("Cohen & Steers" or the "Index Provider") believes are likely to lead the global securitization of real estate. The Fund will normally invest at least 90% of its total assets in common stocks and other equity securities (which may include American depositary receipts ("ADRs"), American depositary shares ("ADSs"), global depositary receipts ("GDRs") and international depositary receipts ("IDRs")) that comprise the Index. The Fund has adopted a policy that requires the Fund to provide shareholders with at least 60 days notice prior to any material change in this policy or the Index. The Board of Trustees of the Trust may change the Fund's investment strategy and other policies without shareholder approval, except as otherwise indicated.

The Sub-Adviser seeks a correlation over time of 0.95 or better between the Fund's performance and the performance of the Index. A figure of 1.00 would represent perfect correlation.

The Fund generally invests in all of the stocks comprising the Index in proportion to their weightings in the Index. However, under various circumstances, it may not be possible or practicable to purchase all of the stocks in the Index in those weightings. In those circumstances, the Fund may purchase a sample of the stocks in the Index in proportions expected by the Sub-Adviser to replicate generally the performance of the Index as a whole. There may also be instances in which the Sub-Adviser may choose to overweight another stock in the Index, purchase (or sell) securities not in the Index which the Sub-Adviser believes are appropriate to substitute for one or more Index components, or utilize various combinations of other available investment techniques, in seeking to accurately track the Index. In addition, from time to time stocks are added to or removed from the Index. The Fund may sell stocks that are represented in the Index or purchase stocks that are not yet represented in the Index in anticipation of their removal from or addition to the Index.

Index Methodology

The Index consists of the largest and most liquid securities within the global real estate universe that the Index Provider believes are likely to lead the global securitization of real estate. The methodology utilized by Cohen & Steers evaluates companies using quantitative and qualitative screens to target the most liquid global real estate companies. Companies that meet Cohen & Steers' quantitative requirements are then assessed for their qualitative strengths. The Index characteristics include the following: evaluating each company's management strength and track record, market position, governance and corporate structure, and the composition and quality of its real estate portfolio; and consideration of each country's percentage of global GDP and share of the world's public versus private real estate. The Index is free float and modified market-capitalization weighted, with a limit of 3.5% on any security's weighting. Index constituents must have a free float adjusted market capitalization of \$1 billion or greater for initial inclusion in the Index. Cohen & Steers considers country weights relative to each country's GDP share representing the real estate securities universe and share of the private market for real estate. The Index is rebalanced quarterly.

Index Construction

To be considered for inclusion in the Index, the following criteria must be met:

1. Real estate companies with a free float of at least \$1 billion traded across developed markets.
2. Qualitative screens for: strength of management, strength of market position, soundness of capital structure, quality of real estate portfolio and focus on ownership of real estate.
3. Final selection is designed to ensure global representation.
4. The Index Provider selects 75 securities from the universe that are market-capitalization weighted and free float adjusted; however, no security will exceed a weighting of 3.5% at the time of each rebalance.
5. ADRs, ADSs, GDRs and IDRs are eligible for inclusion in the Index.

Primary Investment Risks

Investors should consider the following risk factors and special considerations associated with investing in the Fund, which may cause you to lose money.

Investment Risk. An investment in the Fund is subject to investment risk, including the possible loss of the entire principal amount that you invest.

Equity Risk. A principal risk of investing in the Fund is equity risk, which is the risk that the value of the securities held by the Fund will fall due to general market and economic conditions, perceptions regarding the industries in which the issuers of securities held by the Fund participate, or factors relating to

specific companies in which the Fund invests. For example, an adverse event, such as an unfavorable earnings report, may depress the value of equity securities of an issuer held by the Fund; the price of common stock of an issuer may be particularly sensitive to general movements in the stock market; or a drop in the stock market may depress the price of most or all of the common stocks and other equity securities held by the Fund. In addition, common stock of an issuer in the Fund's portfolio may decline in price if the issuer fails to make anticipated dividend payments because, among other reasons, the issuer of the security experiences a decline in its financial condition. Common stock is subordinated to preferred stocks, bonds and other debt instruments in a company's capital structure, in terms of priority to corporate income, and therefore will be subject to greater dividend risk than preferred stocks or debt instruments of such issuers. In addition, while broad market measures of common stocks have historically generated higher average returns than fixed income securities, common stocks have also experienced significantly more volatility in those returns.

Foreign Investment Risk. The Fund's investments in non-U.S. issuers may involve unique risks compared to investing in securities of U.S. issuers, including, among others, greater market volatility than U.S. securities and less complete financial information than for U.S. issuers. In addition, adverse political, economic or social developments could undermine the value of the Fund's investments or prevent the Fund from realizing the full value of its investments. Financial reporting standards for companies based in foreign markets differ from those in the United States. Finally, the value of the currency of the country in which the Fund has invested could decline relative to the value of the U.S. dollar, which may affect the value of the investment to U.S. investors. In addition, the underlying issuers of certain depositary receipts, particularly unsponsored or unregistered depositary receipts, are under no obligation to distribute shareholder communications to the holders of such receipts, or to pass through to them any voting rights with respect to the deposited securities.

Real Estate Investment Risk. The Fund invests in companies in the real estate industry, including real estate investment trusts ("REITs"). Therefore, the Fund is subject to the risks associated with investing in real estate, which may include, but are not limited to, possible declines in the value of real estate, adverse changes in national, state or local real estate conditions; obsolescence of properties; changes in the availability, cost and terms of mortgage funds (including changes in interest rates), the impact of changes in environmental laws, overbuilding in a real estate company's market, and environmental problems.

In addition, a REIT that fails to comply with federal tax requirements affecting REITs may be subject to federal income taxation, or the federal tax requirement that a REIT distribute substantially all of its net income to its shareholders may result in a REIT having insufficient capital for future expenditures. The value of a REIT can depend on the structure of and cash flow generated by the REIT.

In addition, like mutual funds, REITs have expenses, including advisory and administration fees, that are paid by their shareholders. As a result, you will absorb duplicate levels of fees when the Fund invests in REITs. In addition, REITs are subject to certain provisions under federal tax law. The failure of a company to qualify as a REIT could have adverse consequences for the Fund, including significantly reducing return to the Fund on its investment in such company. Other countries have REIT like structures (in which the Fund may invest) with associated tax requirements.

Non-Correlation Risk. The Fund's return may not match the return of the Index for a number of reasons. For example, the Fund incurs a number of operating expenses not applicable to the Index, and incurs costs in buying and selling securities, especially when rebalancing the Fund's securities holdings to reflect changes in the composition of the Index. Tax withholdings imposed by foreign countries may also contribute to differences between the Fund's return and the return of the Index.

The Fund may not be fully invested at times, either as a result of cash flows into the Fund or reserves of cash held by the Fund to meet redemptions and expenses. If the Fund utilizes a sampling approach or futures or other derivative positions, its return may not correlate as well with the return on the Index, as would be the case if it purchased all of the stocks in the Index with the same weightings as the Index.

Small- and Medium-Sized Company Risk. Investing in securities of small and medium-sized companies involves greater risk than is customarily associated with investing in more established companies. These companies' stocks may be more volatile and less liquid than those of more established companies. These stocks may have returns that vary, sometimes significantly, from the overall stock market.

Replication Management Risk. Unlike many investment companies, the Fund is not "actively" managed. Therefore, it would not necessarily sell a stock because the stock's issuer was in financial trouble unless that stock is removed from the Index.

Issuer-Specific Changes. The value of an individual security or particular type of security can be more volatile than the market as a whole and can perform differently from the value of the market as a whole. The value of securities of smaller issuers can be more volatile than that of larger issuers.

Non-Diversified Fund Risk. The Fund is considered non-diversified and can invest a greater portion of assets in securities of individual issuers than a diversified fund. As a result, changes in the market value of a single investment could cause greater fluctuations in share price than would occur in a diversified fund.

Fund Performance

The Fund commenced operations on May 7, 2008, and therefore a full calendar year of performance is not yet available. When the Fund has completed a full calendar year of investment operations, this section will include charts that show annual total returns, highest and lowest quarterly returns and average annual total returns (before and after taxes) compared to a benchmark index selected for the Fund.

Fees and Expenses of the Fund

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the Fund. Investors purchasing Shares in the secondary market will not pay the shareholder fees shown below, but may be subject to costs (including customary brokerage commissions) charged by their broker.

Shareholder Fees *(paid directly by Authorized Participants)*

Sales charges (loads)	None
Standard creation/redemption transaction fee per order ⁽¹⁾	\$1,500
Maximum additional creation/redemption transaction fee per order ⁽¹⁾	\$6,000

Annual Fund Operating Expenses⁽²⁾

(expenses that are deducted from Fund assets)

Management fees	0.55%
Other expenses ⁽³⁾	—%
Total annual Fund operating expenses ⁽³⁾	0.55%

⁽¹⁾ *Purchasers of Creation Units and parties redeeming Creation Units must pay a standard creation or redemption transaction fee of \$1,500. If a Creation Unit is purchased or redeemed outside of the National Securities Clearing Corporation (“NSCC”) or for cash, a variable fee of up to four times the standard creation or redemption transaction fee may be charged. See the following discussion of “Creation Transaction Fees and Redemption Transaction Fees.”*

⁽²⁾ *Expressed as a percentage of average net assets.*

⁽³⁾ *The Trust’s Advisory Agreement (as defined herein) provides that the Investment Adviser will pay all expenses of the Fund, except for interest expenses, distribution fees or expenses, brokerage expenses, taxes and extraordinary expenses such as litigation and other expenses not incurred in the ordinary course of the Fund’s business.*

Example

The following example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the costs of investing in other funds. This example does not take into account transaction fees on purchases and redemptions of Creation Units of the Fund or customary brokerage commissions that you may pay when purchasing or selling Shares of the Fund.

The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same each year. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

One Year	Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years
\$56	\$176	\$307	\$689

Creation Transaction Fees and Redemption Transaction Fees

The Fund issues and redeems Shares at NAV only in large blocks of 50,000 Shares (each block of 50,000 Shares called a "Creation Unit") or multiples thereof. As a practical matter, only broker-dealers or large institutional investors with creation and redemption agreements and called Authorized Participants ("APs") can purchase or redeem these Creation Units. Purchasers of Creation Units at NAV must pay a standard Creation Transaction Fee of \$1,500 per transaction. An AP who holds Creation Units and wishes to redeem at NAV would also pay a standard Redemption Transaction Fee of \$1,500 per transaction (see "How to Buy and Sell Shares" later in this Prospectus). APs who hold Creation Units in inventory will also pay the Annual Fund Operating Expenses described in the table above. As of December 31, 2008, assuming a 5% return each year, and assuming that the Fund's gross operating expenses remain the same, the chart below provides the total costs of a Creation Unit redeemed after the noted time periods:

Approximate Value of Creation Unit	Creation Transaction Fee	Redemption Transaction Fee	One Year	Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years
\$1,253,000	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$10,045	\$25,086	\$41,492	\$89,318

If a Creation Unit is purchased or redeemed outside the NSCC or for cash, a variable fee of up to four times the standard Creation or Redemption Transaction Fee may be charged to the AP making the transaction.

The creation fee, redemption fee and variable fee are not expenses of the Fund and do not impact the Fund's expense ratio.

SECONDARY INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

The Fund will normally invest at least 90% of its total assets in component securities that comprise the Index. The Fund may invest its remaining assets in money market instruments, including repurchase agreements or other funds which invest exclusively in money market instruments, convertible securities, structured notes (notes on which the amount of principal repayment and interest payments are based on the movement of one or more specified factors, such as the movement of a particular stock or stock index), forward foreign currency

exchange contracts and in swaps, options and futures contracts. Swaps, options and futures contracts (and convertible securities and structured notes) may be used by the Fund in seeking performance that corresponds to the Index, and in managing cash flows. The Fund will not invest in money market instruments as part of a temporary defensive strategy to protect against potential stock market declines. The Investment Adviser anticipates that it may take approximately three business days (i.e., each day the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) is open) for additions and deletions to the Index to be reflected in the portfolio composition of the Fund.

The Fund may borrow money from a bank up to a limit of 10% of the value of its assets, but only for temporary or emergency purposes.

The Fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions desiring to borrow securities to complete transactions and for other purposes. In connection with such loans, the Fund receives liquid collateral equal to at least 102% of the value of the portfolio securities being lent. This collateral is marked to market on a daily basis.

The policies described herein constitute non-fundamental policies that may be changed by the Board of Trustees of the Trust without shareholder approval. Certain other fundamental policies of the Fund are set forth in the Statement of Additional Information under “Investment Restrictions.”

ADDITIONAL RISK CONSIDERATIONS

In addition to the risks described previously, there are certain other risks related to investing in the Fund.

Trading Issues. Trading in Shares on the ARCA may be halted due to market conditions or for reasons that, in the view of the ARCA, make trading in Shares inadvisable. In addition, trading in Shares on the ARCA is subject to trading halts caused by extraordinary market volatility pursuant to the ARCA “circuit breaker” rules. There can be no assurance that the requirements of the ARCA necessary to maintain the listing of the Fund will continue to be met or will remain unchanged.

Fluctuation of Net Asset Value. The NAV of the Fund’s Shares will generally fluctuate with changes in the market value of the Fund’s holdings. The market prices of the Shares will generally fluctuate in accordance with changes in NAV as well as the relative supply of and demand for the Shares on the ARCA. The Sub-Adviser cannot predict whether the Shares will trade below, at or above their NAV. Price differences may be due, in large part, to the fact that supply and demand forces at work in the secondary trading market for the Shares will be closely related to, but not identical to, the same forces influencing the prices of the stocks of the Index trading individually or in the aggregate at any point in time.

However, given that the Shares can be purchased and redeemed in Creation Units (unlike shares of many closed end funds, which frequently trade at appreciable discounts from, and sometimes premiums to, their NAV), the Sub-Adviser believes that large discounts or premiums to the NAV of the Shares should not be sustained.

Securities Lending. Although the Fund will receive collateral in connection with all loans of its securities holdings, the Fund would be exposed to a risk of loss should a borrower default on its obligation to return the borrowed securities (e.g., the loaned securities may have appreciated beyond the value of the collateral held by the Fund). In addition, the Fund will bear the risk of loss of any cash collateral that it invests.

These risks are described further in the Statement of Additional Information.

INVESTMENT ADVISORY SERVICES

Investment Adviser

ALPS Advisors, Inc. acts as the Fund's investment adviser pursuant to an advisory agreement with the Trust on behalf of the Fund (the "Advisory Agreement"). The Investment Adviser is a Colorado corporation with its principal offices located at 1290 Broadway, Suite 1100, Denver, Colorado 80203. As of December 31, 2008, ALPS Fund Services, Inc. and its affiliated entities, including the Investment Adviser, have provided supervisory, management, servicing or distribution services on approximately \$227 billion in assets through closed-end funds, unit investment trusts, mutual funds, hedge funds, separately managed accounts and exchange-traded funds. Pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, the Investment Adviser manages the investment and reinvestment of the Fund's assets and administers the affairs of the Fund to the extent requested by the Board of Trustees. The Investment Adviser also acts as investment adviser to closed-end and open-end management investment companies.

Pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, the Fund pays the Investment Adviser a unitary fee for the services and facilities it provides payable on a monthly basis at the annual rate of 0.55% of the Fund's average daily net assets. From time to time, the Investment Adviser may waive all or a portion of its fee.

Out of the unitary management fee, the Investment Adviser pays substantially all expenses of the Fund, including the fees of the Sub-Adviser and the cost of transfer agency, custody, fund administration, legal, audit and other services, except for interest expenses, distribution fees or expenses, brokerage expenses, taxes and extraordinary expenses such as litigation and other expenses not incurred in the ordinary course of the Fund's business.

The Investment Adviser's unitary management fee is designed to pay substantially all the Fund's expenses and to compensate the Investment Adviser for providing services for the Fund.

Sub-Adviser

Mellon Capital Management Corporation (“Mellon Capital”) acts as the Fund’s sub-adviser pursuant to a sub-advisory agreement with the Investment Adviser (the “Sub-Advisory Agreement”). Mellon Capital Management Corporation (“Mellon Capital”), a registered investment adviser, is a leading innovator in the investment industry and manages global quantitative-based investment strategies for institutional and private investors. With its principal office located at 50 Fremont Street, San Francisco, California 94105, it is a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation, a publicly traded company. As of December 31, 2008, Mellon Capital had approximately \$139 billion in assets under management, which includes assets managed in overlay strategies (\$12.9 billion).

Pursuant to the Sub-Advisory Agreement, the Investment Adviser pays the Sub-Adviser on a monthly basis a portion of the net advisory fees it receives from the Fund, at the annual rate of 0.10% of average net assets. The Investment Adviser will pay the Investment Sub-Adviser a minimum of \$62,500 per year after the Fund’s first year of operations and a minimum of \$125,000 per year after the Fund’s second year of operations.

Approval of Advisory Agreement and Sub-Advisory Agreement

A discussion regarding the basis for the Board of Trustees’ approval of the Advisory Agreement and Sub-Advisory Agreement is provided in the Fund’s semi-annual report to shareholders for the period ended June 30, 2008.

Portfolio Management

Mellon Capital supervises and manages the investment portfolio of the Fund and directs the purchase and sale of the Fund’s investment securities. Mellon Capital utilizes a team of investment professionals acting together to manage the assets of the Fund. The team meets regularly to review portfolio holdings and to discuss purchase and sale activity.

The Fund is managed by Mellon Capital’s equity portfolio management team. The head of the portfolio management team who is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund’s portfolio is Denise Krisko.

Ms. Krisko is the head of equity index management and a managing director of The Bank of New York where she has been employed since 2005. Prior to joining The Bank of New York, Ms. Krisko held various senior investment positions with Deutsche Asset Management and Northern Trust and was a senior quantitative equity portfolio manager and trader for The Vanguard Group. Ms. Krisko attained the Chartered Financial Analyst (“CFA”) designation. She graduated with a BS from Pennsylvania State University, and obtained an MBA from Villanova University. Ms. Krisko is managing the Fund in her capacity as an officer of Mellon Capital. Ms. Krisko has managed the Fund’s portfolio since its inception.

The Statement of Additional Information provides additional information about the portfolio manager's compensation structure, other accounts managed by the portfolio manager and the portfolio manager's ownership of securities of the Fund.

PURCHASE AND REDEMPTION OF SHARES

General

The Shares are issued or redeemed by the Fund at net asset value per Share only in Creation Unit size. See "Creations, Redemptions and Transaction Fees."

Most investors buy and sell Shares of the Fund in secondary market transactions through brokers. Shares of the Fund are listed for trading in the secondary market on the ARCA. Shares can be bought and sold throughout the trading day like other publicly traded shares. There is no minimum investment. Although Shares are generally purchased and sold in "round lots" of 100 Shares, brokerage firms typically permit investors to purchase or sell Shares in smaller "oddlots," at no per share price differential. When buying or selling Shares through a broker, you will incur customary brokerage commissions and charges, and you may pay some or all of the spread between the bid and the offered price in the secondary market on each leg of a round trip (purchase and sale) transaction. The Fund trades on the ARCA at prices that may differ to varying degrees from the daily NAV of the Shares. Given that the Fund's Shares can be issued and redeemed in Creation Units, the Investment Adviser believes that large discounts and premiums to NAV should not be sustained for long. The Fund trades under the ARCA symbol GRI.

Share prices are reported in dollars and cents per Share.

Investors may acquire Shares directly from the Fund, and shareholders may tender their Shares for redemption directly to the Fund, only in Creation Units of 50,000 Shares, as discussed in the "Creations, Redemptions and Transaction Fees" section below.

Book-Entry

Shares are held in book-entry form, which means that no stock certificates are issued. The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") or its nominee is the record owner of all outstanding Shares of the Fund and is recognized as the owner of all Shares for all purposes.

Investors owning Shares are beneficial owners as shown on the records of DTC or its participants. DTC serves as the securities depository for all Shares. Participants in DTC include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and other institutions that directly or indirectly maintain a custodial relationship with DTC. As a beneficial owner of Shares, you are not entitled to receive physical delivery of stock certificates or to have Shares registered in your name, and you are not considered a registered owner of Shares. Therefore, to exercise any right as an owner of Shares, you must rely upon the procedures of DTC and its participants. These procedures are the same as those that apply to any other stocks that you hold in book-entry or “street name” form.

HOW TO BUY AND SELL SHARES

Pricing Fund Shares

The trading price of the Fund's shares on the ARCA may differ from the Fund's daily net asset value and can be affected by market forces of supply and demand, economic conditions and other factors.

The ARCA disseminates the approximate value of Shares of the Fund every fifteen seconds. The approximate value calculations are based on local market prices and may not reflect events that occur subsequent to the local market's close. As a result, premiums and discounts between the approximate value and the market price could be affected. This approximate value should not be viewed as a “real-time” update of the NAV per Share of the Fund because the approximate value may not be calculated in the same manner as the NAV, which is computed once a day, generally at the end of the business day. The Fund is not involved in, or responsible for, the calculation or dissemination of the approximate value and the Fund does not make any warranty as to its accuracy.

The net asset value per Share for the Fund is determined once daily as of the close of the NYSE, usually 4:00 p.m. Eastern time, each day the NYSE is open for trading. NAV per Share is determined by dividing the value of the Fund's portfolio securities, cash and other assets (including accrued interest), less all liabilities (including accrued expenses), by the total number of shares outstanding.

Equity securities are valued at the last reported sale price on the principal exchange on which such securities are traded, as of the close of regular trading on the NYSE on the day the securities are being valued or, if there are no sales, at the mean of the most recent bid and asked prices. Equity securities that are traded in over-the-counter markets are valued at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price as of the close of regular trading on the NYSE on the day the securities are valued or, if there are no sales, at the mean of the most recent bid and asked prices. Debt securities are valued at the mean between the last available bid and asked prices for such securities or, if such prices are not available, at prices for

securities of comparable maturity, quality, and type. Securities for which market quotations are not readily available, including restricted securities, are valued by a method that the Trustees believe accurately reflects fair value. Securities will be valued at fair value when market quotations are not readily available or are deemed unreliable, such as when a security's value or meaningful portion of the Fund's portfolio is believed to have been materially affected by a significant event. Such events may include a natural disaster, an economic event like a bankruptcy filing, a trading halt in a security, an unscheduled early market close or a substantial fluctuation in domestic and foreign markets that has occurred between the close of the principal exchange and the NYSE. In such a case, the value for a security is likely to be different from the last quoted market price. In addition, due to the subjective and variable nature of fair market value pricing, it is possible that the value determined for a particular asset may be materially different from the value realized upon such asset's sale.

Trading in securities on many foreign securities exchanges and over-the-counter markets is normally completed before the close of business on each U.S. business day. In addition, securities trading in a particular country or countries may not take place on all U.S. business days or may take place on days that are not U.S. business days. Changes in valuations on certain securities may occur at times or on days on which the Fund's net asset value is not calculated and on which the Fund does not effect sales, redemptions and exchanges of its Shares.

Creation Units

Investors such as market makers, large investors and institutions who wish to deal in Creation Units directly with the Fund must have entered into an authorized participant agreement with the distributor and the transfer agent, or purchase through a dealer that has entered into such an agreement. Set forth below is a brief description of the procedures applicable to purchase and redemption of Creation Units. For more detailed information, see "Creation and Redemption of Creation Unit Aggregations" in the Statement of Additional Information.

How to Buy Shares

In order to purchase Creation Units of the Fund, an investor must generally deposit a designated portfolio of equity securities constituting a substantial replication, or a representation, of the stocks included in the Index (the "Deposit Securities") and generally make a small cash payment referred to as the "Cash Component." For those Authorized Participants that are not eligible for trading a Deposit Security, custom orders are available. The list of the names and the numbers of shares of the Deposit Securities is made available by the Fund's custodian through the facilities of the NSCC immediately prior to the opening of business each day of the ARCA. The Cash Component represents the difference between the net asset value of a Creation Unit and the market value of the Deposit Securities. In the case of custom orders, cash-in-lieu may be added to the Cash Component to replace any Deposit Securities that the Authorized Participant may not be eligible to trade.

Orders must be placed in proper form by or through a participant of The Depository Trust Company (“DTC Participant”) that has entered into an agreement with the Trust, the distributor and the transfer agent, with respect to purchases and redemptions of Creation Units (collectively, “Authorized Participant” or “AP”). All standard orders must be placed for one or more whole Creation Units of Shares of the Fund and must be received by the distributor in proper form no later than the close of regular trading on the NYSE (ordinarily 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) (“Closing Time”) in order to receive that day’s closing NAV per Share. In the case of custom orders, as further described in the Statement of Additional Information, the order must be received by the distributor no later than one hour prior to Closing Time in order to receive that day’s closing NAV per Share. A custom order may be placed by an Authorized Participant in the event that the Trust permits or requires the substitution of an amount of cash to be added to the Cash Component to replace any Deposit Security which may not be available in sufficient quantity for delivery or which may not be eligible for trading by such Authorized Participant or the investor for which it is acting or any other relevant reason. See “Creation and Redemption of Creation Unit Aggregations” in the Statement of Additional Information.

A fixed creation transaction fee of \$1,500 per transaction (the “Creation Transaction Fee”) is applicable to each transaction regardless of the number of Creation Units purchased in the transaction. An additional charge of up to four times the Creation Transaction Fee may be imposed to the extent that cash is used in lieu of securities to purchase Creation Units. See “Creation and Redemption of Creation Unit Aggregations” in the Statement of Additional Information. The price for each Creation Unit will equal the daily NAV per Share times the number of Shares in a Creation Unit plus the fees described above and, if applicable, any transfer taxes.

Shares of the Fund may be issued in advance of receipt of all Deposit Securities subject to various conditions, including a requirement to maintain cash at least equal to 115% of the market value of the missing Deposit Securities on deposit with the Trust. See “Creation and Redemption of Creation Unit Aggregations” in the Statement of Additional Information.

Legal Restrictions on Transactions in Certain Stocks

An investor subject to a legal restriction with respect to a particular stock required to be deposited in connection with the purchase of a Creation Unit may, at the Fund’s discretion, be permitted to deposit an equivalent amount of cash in substitution for any stock which would otherwise be included in the Deposit Securities applicable to the purchase of a Creation Unit. For more details, see “Creation and Redemption of Creation Unit Aggregations” in the Statement of Additional Information.

Redemption of Shares

Shares may be redeemed only in Creation Units at their NAV and only on a day the ARCA is open for business. The Fund's custodian makes available immediately prior to the opening of business each day of the ARCA, through the facilities of the NSCC, the list of the names and the numbers of shares of the Fund's portfolio securities that will be applicable that day to redemption requests in proper form ("Fund Securities"). Fund Securities received on redemption may not be identical to Deposit Securities, which are applicable to purchases of Creation Units. Unless cash redemptions are available or specified for the Fund, the redemption proceeds consist of the Fund Securities, plus cash in an amount equal to the difference between the NAV of Shares being redeemed as next determined after receipt by the transfer agent of a redemption request in proper form, and the value of the Fund Securities (the "Cash Redemption Amount"), less the applicable redemption fee and, if applicable, any transfer taxes. Should the Fund Securities have a value greater than the NAV of Shares being redeemed, a compensating cash payment to the Fund equal to the differential, plus the applicable redemption fee and, if applicable, any transfer taxes will be required to be arranged for, by or on behalf of the redeeming shareholder. For more details, see "Creation and Redemption of Creation Unit Aggregations" in the Statement of Additional Information.

An order to redeem Creation Units of the Fund may only be effected by or through an Authorized Participant. An order to redeem must be placed for one or more whole Creation Units and must be received by the transfer agent in proper form no later than the close of regular trading on the NYSE (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) in order to receive that day's closing NAV per Share. In the case of custom orders, as further described in the Statement of Additional Information, the order must be received by the transfer agent no later than 3:00 p.m. Eastern time.

A fixed redemption transaction fee of \$1,500 per transaction (the "Redemption Transaction Fee") is applicable to each redemption transaction regardless of the number of Creation Units redeemed in the transaction. An additional charge of up to four times the Redemption Transaction Fee may be charged to approximate additional expenses incurred by the Fund to the extent that redemptions are for cash. The Fund reserves the right to effect redemptions in cash. A shareholder may request a cash redemption in lieu of securities, however, the Fund may, in its discretion, reject any such request. See "Creation and Redemption of Creation Unit Aggregations" in the Statement of Additional Information.

Distributions

Dividends and Capital Gains. Fund shareholders are entitled to their share of the Fund's income and net realized gains on its investments. The Fund pays out substantially all of its net earnings to its shareholders as "distributions."

The Fund typically earns income dividends from stocks and interest from debt securities. These amounts, net of expenses, are passed along to Fund shareholders as “income dividend distributions.” The Fund realizes capital gains or losses whenever it sells securities. Net long-term capital gains are distributed to shareholders as “capital gain distributions.”

Income dividends, if any, are distributed to shareholders quarterly. Net capital gains are distributed at least annually. Dividends may be declared and paid more frequently to improve Index tracking or to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. In addition, the Fund intends to distribute at least annually amounts representing the full dividend yield net of expenses on the underlying investment securities as if the Fund owned the underlying investment securities for the entire dividend period. As a result, some portion of each distribution may result in a return of capital (which is a return of the shareholder’s investment in the Fund). Section 19(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”), and Rule 19a-1 thereunder require the Fund to provide a written statement accompanying any such distribution that adequately discloses its source or sources to the extent the source includes something other than net investment income. Thus, if the source of the dividend or other distribution were the original capital contribution of the shareholder, and the payment amounted to a return of capital, the Fund would be required to provide written disclosure to that effect. Nevertheless, persons who periodically receive the payment of a dividend or other distribution may be under the impression that they are receiving net profits when they are not. Shareholders should read any written disclosure provided pursuant to Section 19(a) and Rule 19-1 carefully, and should not assume that the source of any distribution from the Fund is net profit.

Distributions in cash may be reinvested automatically in additional whole Shares only if the broker through which the Shares were purchased makes such option available.

FREQUENT PURCHASES AND REDEMPTIONS

The Fund imposes no restrictions on the frequency of purchases and redemptions. The Board of Trustees evaluated the risks of market timing activities by the Fund’s shareholders when they determined that no restriction or policy was necessary. The Board considered that, unlike traditional mutual funds, the Fund issues and redeems its shares at NAV for a basket of securities intended to mirror the Fund’s portfolio, plus a small amount of cash, and the Fund’s Shares may be purchased and sold on the exchange at prevailing market prices. Given this structure, the Board determined that it is unlikely that (a) market timing would be attempted by the Fund’s shareholders or (b) any attempts to market time the Fund by its shareholders would result in negative impact to the Fund or its shareholders.

FUND SERVICE PROVIDERS

ALPS Fund Services, Inc. is the administrator of the Fund.

The Bank of New York Mellon is the custodian, fund accounting agent and transfer agent for the Fund.

Clifford Chance US LLP serves as counsel to the Fund.

Deloitte & Touche LLP serves as the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm. The independent registered public accounting firm is responsible for auditing the annual financial statements of the Fund.

INDEX PROVIDER

Cohen & Steers is the Index Provider for the Cohen & Steers Global Realty Majors ETF. Cohen & Steers is not affiliated with the Trust, the Investment Adviser, the Sub-Adviser or the Distributor. The Trust and the Investment Adviser have entered into a license agreement with Cohen & Steers to use the Index.

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FEDERAL INCOME TAXATION

As with any investment, you should consider how your investment in Shares will be taxed. The tax information in this Prospectus is provided as general information. You should consult your own tax professional about the tax consequences of an investment in Shares.

Unless your investment in the Shares is made through a tax exempt entity or tax deferred retirement account, such as an IRA plan, you need to be aware of the possible tax consequences when:

- The Fund makes distributions,
- You sell your Shares listed on the ARCA, and
- You purchase or redeem Creation Units.

Taxes on Distributions

Dividends from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid quarterly. The Fund may also pay a special distribution at the end of the calendar year to comply with federal tax requirements. In general, your distributions are subject to federal income tax when they are paid, whether you take them in cash or reinvest them in the Fund. Dividends paid out of the Fund's income and net short-term gains, if any, are taxable as ordinary income. Distributions of net long-term capital gains, if any, in excess of net short-term capital losses are taxable as long-term capital gains, regardless of how long you have held the Shares.

Long-term capital gains of non-corporate taxpayers are generally taxed at a maximum rate of 15% for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2011. In addition, for these taxable years some ordinary dividends declared and paid by the Fund to non-corporate shareholders may qualify for taxation at the lower reduced tax rates applicable to long-term capital gains, provided that holding period and other requirements are met by the Fund and the shareholder. Most of the income of the Fund will not qualify for the lower tax rates.

Distributions in excess of the Fund's current and accumulated earnings and profits are treated as a tax-free return of capital to the extent of your basis in the Shares, and as capital gain thereafter. A distribution will reduce the Fund's net asset value per Share and may be taxable to you as ordinary income or capital gain even though, from an investment standpoint, the distribution may constitute a return of capital.

If more than 50% of the Fund's total assets at the end of its taxable year consist of foreign stock or securities, the Fund intends to elect to "pass through" to its investors certain foreign income taxes paid by the Fund, with the result that each investor will (i) include in gross income, as an additional dividend, even though not actually received, the investor's pro rata share of the Fund's foreign income taxes, and (ii) either deduct (in calculating U.S. taxable income) or credit (in calculating U.S. federal income), subject to certain limitations, the investor's pro rata share of the Fund's foreign income taxes.

If you are not a citizen or permanent resident of the United States, the Fund's ordinary income dividends (which include distributions of net short-term capital gains) will generally be subject to a 30% U.S. withholding tax, unless a lower treaty rate applies or unless such income is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business. Non-U.S. shareholders that own either directly or indirectly more than 5% of the Fund's Shares are urged to consult their own tax advisors concerning special tax rules that may apply to their investment.

Dividends and interest from non-U.S. investments received by the Fund may give rise to withholding and other taxes imposed by foreign countries. Tax conventions between certain countries and the United States may reduce or eliminate such taxes.

The Fund generally would be required to withhold a percentage of your distributions and proceeds if you have not provided a taxpayer identification number (generally your social security number) or otherwise provide proof of an applicable exemption from backup withholding. The backup withholding rate for an individual is currently 28%.

Taxes on Exchange-Listed Shares Sales

Currently, any capital gain or loss realized upon a sale of Shares is generally treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the Shares have been held for more than one year and as short-term capital gain or loss if the Shares have been held for one year or less. The ability to deduct capital losses may be limited.

Taxes on Purchase and Redemption of Creation Units

An Authorized Participant who exchanges equity securities for Creation Units generally will recognize a gain or a loss. The gain or loss will be equal to the difference between the market value of the Creation Units at the time of the

exchange and the exchanger's aggregate basis in the securities surrendered and the Cash Component paid. A person who exchanges Creation Units for equity securities will generally recognize a gain or loss equal to the difference between the exchanger's basis in the Creation Units and the aggregate market value of the securities received and the Cash Redemption Amount. The Internal Revenue Service, however, may assert that a loss realized upon an exchange of securities for Creation Units cannot be deducted currently under the rules governing "wash sales," or on the basis that there has been no significant change in economic position. Persons exchanging securities should consult their own tax advisor with respect to whether the wash sale rules apply and when a loss might be deductible.

Under current federal tax laws, any capital gain or loss realized upon redemption of Creation Units is generally treated as long-term capital gain or loss if the Shares have been held for more than one year and as a short-term capital gain or loss if the Shares have been held for one year or less.

If you purchase or redeem Creation Units, you will be sent a confirmation statement showing how many Shares you purchased or sold and at what price.

Taxation of Fund Investments in Passive Foreign Investment Companies

Certain of the Fund's investments are expected to be in passive foreign investment companies ("PFICs") for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Fund generally intends to elect to "mark to market" these investments at the end of each taxable year. By making this election, the Fund will recognize as ordinary income any increase in the value of such shares as of the close of the taxable year over the adjusted basis of such shares and as ordinary loss any decrease in such value. Gains realized with respect to a disposition of a PFIC that the Fund has elected to mark to market will be ordinary income. By making the mark to market election, the Fund may be required to recognize income in excess of the distributions that they receive from their investments. Accordingly, the Fund may need to borrow money or dispose of some of their investments in order to meet their distribution requirements. If the Fund does not make the "mark to market" election with respect to an investment in a PFIC, the Fund could become subject to U.S. federal income tax with respect to certain distributions from, and gain on the dispositions of, the PFIC which cannot be avoided by distributing such amounts to the Fund's shareholders.

The foregoing discussion summarizes some of the possible consequences under current federal tax law of an investment in the Fund. It is not a substitute for personal tax advice. You may also be subject to state and local taxation on Fund distributions, and sales of Fund Shares. Consult your personal tax advisor about the potential tax consequences of an investment in Fund Shares under all applicable tax laws.

OTHER INFORMATION

For purposes of the 1940 Act, the Fund is treated as a registered investment company. Section 12(d)(1) of the 1940 Act restricts investments by investment companies in the securities of other investment companies, including Shares of the Fund. Registered investment companies are permitted to invest in the Fund beyond the limits set forth in Section 12(d)(1) subject to certain terms and conditions set forth in an SEC exemptive order issued to the Trust, including that such investment companies enter into an agreement with the Fund.

Disclosure of Portfolio Holdings

A description of the Trust's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the Fund's portfolio securities is available in the Fund's Statement of Additional Information.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The financial highlights table is intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the period ended December 31, 2008. Certain information reflects financial results for a single Fund share. The total returns in the table represent the rate that an investor would have earned (or lost) on an investment in the Fund (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions). This information has been derived from the Fund's financial statements audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, whose report, along with the Fund's financial statements, is included in the Fund's annual report, which is available upon request by calling the Fund at (866) 513-5856. This information is also available free of charge on the Fund's website at www.alpsetfs.com.

For a Share Outstanding Throughout the Period Presented.

	For the Period Ended May 7, 2008 (inception) through December 31, 2008	
NET ASSET VALUE, BEGINNING OF PERIOD	\$	50.00
INCOME/(LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS:		
Net investment income		0.47
Net realized and unrealized loss on investments		(24.92)
Total from Investment Operations		(24.45)
LESS DISTRIBUTIONS:		
From net investment income		(0.49)
Total Distributions		(0.49)
NET DECREASE IN NET ASSET VALUE		(24.94)
NET ASSET VALUE, END OF PERIOD	\$	25.06
TOTAL RETURN		-48.90%^(a)

RATIOS/ SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:

Net assets, end of period (in 000s)	\$	5,063
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RATIOS TO AVERAGE NET ASSETS:

Net investment income including reimbursement/waiver	3.49% ^(b)
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Operating expenses including reimbursement/waiver	0.55% ^(b)
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Operating expenses excluding reimbursement/waiver	0.55% ^(b)
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PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATE	18.41%^(c)
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^(a) Total return is calculated assuming an initial investment made at the net asset value at the beginning of the period and redemption at the net asset value on the last day of the period. The return presented does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption or sale of Fund shares. Total return calculated for a period of less than one year is not annualized

^(b) Annualized.

^(c) Portfolio turnover is not annualized and does not include securities received or delivered from processing creations or redemptions.

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A Statement of Additional Information dated May 1, 2009, which contains more details about the Fund, is incorporated by reference in its entirety into this Prospectus, which means that it is legally part of this Prospectus.

You will find additional information about the Fund in its annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders. The annual report explains the market conditions and investment strategies affecting the Fund's performance during its last fiscal year.

You can ask questions or obtain a free copy of the Fund's shareholder reports or the Statement of Additional Information by calling (866) 513-5856. Free copies of the Fund's shareholder reports and the Statement of Additional Information are available from our website at www.alpsetfs.com.

The Fund sends only one report to a household if more than one account has the same address. Contact the Transfer Agent if you do not want this policy to apply to you.

Information about the Fund, including its reports and the Statement of Additional Information, has been filed with the SEC. It can be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC or on the EDGAR database on the SEC's internet site (<http://www.sec.gov>). Information on the operation of the SEC's Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at (202) 551-5850. You can also request copies of these materials, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the SEC's e-mail address (publicinfo@sec.gov) or by writing the Public Reference section of the SEC, 100 F Street NE, Room 1580, Washington, DC 20549.

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