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PROSPECTUS

Verizon Communications Inc.

Offer to Exchange

\$4,251,527,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.329% Notes due 2028

for

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that have been registered under the

Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act)

The Exchange Offer will expire at 5:00 p.m.,

New York City time, on October 22, 2018, unless extended.

We hereby offer, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this prospectus and the accompanying letter of transmittal, to exchange (i) up to \$4,251,527,000 aggregate principal amount of our outstanding 4.329% Notes due 2028 (CUSIP Nos. 92343V EQ3 and U9221A BK3) (the Original Notes) for a like principal amount of our 4.329% Notes due 2028 that have been registered under the Securities Act (CUSIP No. 92343V ER1) (the Exchange Notes). We refer to this offer as the Exchange Offer. When we use the term Notes in this prospectus, the term includes the Original Notes and the Exchange Notes unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires. The terms of the Exchange Offer are summarized below and are more fully described in this prospectus.

The terms of the Exchange Notes are identical to the terms of the Original Notes, except that the transfer restrictions, registration rights and additional interest provisions applicable to the Original Notes do not apply to the Exchange Notes.

We will accept for exchange any and all Original Notes validly tendered and not validly withdrawn at any time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on October 22, 2018, unless extended (the expiration date).

You may withdraw tenders of Original Notes at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

We will not receive any cash proceeds from the issuance of the Exchange Notes in the Exchange Offer. The Original Notes surrendered and exchanged for the Exchange Notes will be retired and canceled. Accordingly, the issuance of the Exchange Notes will not result in any increase in our outstanding indebtedness.

The exchange of Original Notes for Exchange Notes will not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

No public market currently exists for the Original Notes. We do not intend to list the Exchange Notes on any securities exchange and, therefore, no active public market is anticipated.

Each broker-dealer that receives Exchange Notes for its own account pursuant to the Exchange Offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such Exchange Notes. The letter of transmittal states that by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of Exchange Notes received in exchange for Original Notes where such Original Notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that, starting on the date the registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part, is declared effective and ending on the close of business 90 days after such date, we will make this prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. See Plan of Distribution.

See <u>Risk Factors</u> beginning on page 7 to read about important factors you should consider before tendering your Original Notes.

Neither the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is September 21, 2018

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

You should read this prospectus carefully before you invest. This prospectus contains important information you should consider when making your investment decision. You should rely only on the information provided or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein, which are accurate as of their respective dates. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different information, and we take no responsibility for any information that others may give you.

This prospectus incorporates important business and financial information about Verizon that is not included in or delivered with this prospectus. This information is available without charge to security holders upon written or oral request to Verizon Investor Relations at the address and telephone number set forth below under Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference. To ensure timely delivery, you should make your request to us no later than October 15, 2018, which is five business days prior to the expiration date of the Exchange Offer.

If any statement in this prospectus conflicts with any statement in a document that we have incorporated by reference, then you should consider only the statement in the more recent document. The information on our website is not incorporated by reference into this document.

In this prospectus, we, our, us, Verizon and Verizon Communications refer to Verizon Communications Inc. and consolidated subsidiaries.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, including the documents that we incorporate by reference, contains both historical and forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are not historical facts, but only predictions and generally can be identified by use of statements that include phrases such as will, may, should, continue. anticipat estimate, intend, or other words or phrases of similar import. Similar believe. expect, plan, appear, project, statements that describe our objectives, plans or goals also are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from those currently anticipated. Factors that could materially affect these forward-looking statements can be found in our

periodic reports filed with the SEC.

Potential investors and other readers are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements included in this prospectus are made only as of the date of this prospectus, and we undertake no obligation to update publicly these forward-looking statements to reflect new information, future events or otherwise. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events might or might not occur. We cannot assure you that projected results or events will be achieved.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any of these documents at the SEC s public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference room. The SEC maintains an Internet website that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. Our SEC filings are available to the public on the SEC s website at http://www.sec.gov.

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4 relating to the securities covered by this prospectus. This prospectus is a part of the registration statement and does not contain all of the information in the registration statement. Whenever a reference is made in this prospectus to a contract or other document of ours, please be aware that the reference is only a summary and that you should refer to the exhibits that are a part of the registration statement at the SEC s public reference room in Washington, D.C., as well as through the SEC s website.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with them, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus, and information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the following documents we have filed with the SEC, all filings we make after the date of the initial registration statement and prior to the effectiveness of the registration statement and the future filings we make with the SEC under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), after the date of this prospectus until the date we consummate the Exchange Offer (in each case excluding any information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 on any Current Report on Form 8-K):

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017;

our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018; and

our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on January 17, 2018 (as to Item 8.01 only), March 7, 2018, May 1, 2018, May 8, 2018, June 8, 2018, June 11, 2018, June 15, 2018 and September 6, 2018. You may request a copy of these filings, at no cost, by contacting us at:

Investor Relations

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In order to obtain timely delivery of such materials, you must request information from us no later than five business days prior to the expiration of the Exchange Offer.

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SUMMARY

This summary highlights selected information appearing elsewhere, or incorporated by reference, in this prospectus and is, therefore, qualified in its entirety by the more detailed information appearing elsewhere, or incorporated by reference, in this prospectus. It may not contain all the information that is important to you. We urge you to read carefully this entire prospectus and the other documents to which it refers to understand fully the terms of the Exchange Notes and the Exchange Offer. You should pay special attention to Risk Factors and Forward-Looking Statements.

Verizon Communications

Verizon Communications is a holding company that, acting through its subsidiaries, is one of the world s leading providers of communications, information and entertainment products and services to consumers, businesses and governmental agencies. With a presence around the world, we offer voice, data and video services and solutions on our networks that are designed to meet customers demand for mobility, reliable network connectivity, security and control. We have two reportable segments, Wireless and Wireline. Our wireless segment, doing business as Verizon Wireless, provides communications products and services across one of the most extensive wireless networks in the United States. Our wireline segment provides communications products and enhanced services, including video and data services, corporate networking solutions, security and managed network services and local and long distance voice services to consumers in the United States, as well as to carriers, businesses and government customers both in the United States and around the world. We have a highly skilled, diverse and dedicated workforce of approximately 153,100 employees as of June 30, 2018. We generated consolidated revenues of \$126.0 billion for the year ended December 31, 2017.

Our principal executive offices are located at 1095 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036, and our telephone number is (212) 395-1000.

Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

The following table shows our ratios of earnings to fixed charges for the periods indicated:

Six Months Ended	Year Ended December 31,				
June 30, 2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
4.34	4.04	4.28	5.27	3.15	7.69
We classify interest ex	nense recognized	on uncertain tax no	sitions as income ta	x expense and therei	fore such interest

We classify interest expense recognized on uncertain tax positions as income tax expense and therefore such interest expense is not included in the ratios of earnings to fixed charges.

The Exchange Offer

On June 21, 2018, in connection with private exchange offers, we issued \$4,251,527,000 aggregate principal amount of Original Notes. As part of those issuances, we entered into a registration rights agreement, dated June 21, 2018 (the Registration Rights Agreement), with respect to the Original Notes with the dealer managers for the private exchange offers in which we agreed, among other things, to deliver this prospectus to you and use our commercially reasonable efforts to complete an exchange offer for the Original Notes. Below is a summary of the Exchange Offer.

The Exchange Offer	We are offering to exchange up to \$4,251,527,000 aggregate principal amount of outstanding Original Notes for a like principal amount of Exchange Notes. You may tender Original Notes only in denominations of \$2,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000. We will issue the Exchange Notes promptly after the expiration of the Exchange Offer. In order to be exchanged, an Original Note must be validly tendered, not validly withdrawn and accepted by us. Subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions of the Exchange Offer, all Original Notes that are validly tendered and not validly withdrawn will be accepted by us and exchanged. As of the date of this prospectus, \$4,251,527,000 aggregate principal amount of Original Notes is outstanding. The Original Notes were issued under our Indenture, dated as of December 1, 2000 (as amended or supplemented, the Indenture), between us and U.S. Bank National Association (as successor to Wachovia Bank, National Association, formerly known as First Union National Bank), as trustee (the Trustee). If all outstanding Original Notes are validly tendered for exchange, there will be \$4,251,527,000 aggregate principal amount of Exchange Notes outstanding after the Exchange Offer.
Purpose of the Exchange Offer	The purpose of the Exchange Offer is to satisfy our obligations under the Registration Rights Agreement.
Expiration Date; Tenders	The Exchange Offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on October 22, 2018, unless we extend the period of time during which the Exchange Offer is open. In the event of any material change to the Exchange Offer, we will extend the period of time during which the Exchange Offer is open as necessary. By signing or agreeing to be bound by the accompanying letter of transmittal, you will represent, among other things, that:
	you are not an affiliate of ours or, if you are our affiliate, you will comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act to the extent applicable in connection with the resale of the Exchange Notes;

you are acquiring the Exchange Notes in the ordinary course of your business;

you are not participating, do not intend to participate, and have no arrangement or understanding with anyone to participate, in the

distribution (within the meaning of the Securities Act) of the Exchange Notes;

you are not a broker-dealer that purchased any of the Original Notes from us or any of our affiliates for resale pursuant to Rule 144A or any other available exemption under the Securities Act; and

if you are a broker-dealer that will receive Exchange Notes for your own account in exchange for Original Notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, you will deliver a prospectus (or to the extent permitted by law, make available a prospectus to purchasers) in connection with any resale of such Exchange Notes. For further information regarding resales of the Exchange Notes by broker-dealers, see the discussion under the caption Plan of Distribution.

Accrued Interest on the Exchange Notes and The Exchange Notes will bear interest from June 21, 2018. Original Notes

	If your Original Notes are accepted for exchange, you will receive interest on the corresponding Exchange Notes and not on such Original Notes. Any Original Notes not tendered will remain outstanding and continue to accrue interest according to their terms.
Conditions to the Exchange Offer	Our obligation to accept Original Notes tendered in the Exchange Offer is subject to the satisfaction of certain customary conditions. See The Exchange Offer Conditions to the Exchange Offer.
Procedures for Tendering Original Notes	A tendering holder must, prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date:
	transmit a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal, including all other documents required by the letter of transmittal, to the Exchange Agent (as defined herein) at the address listed in this prospectus; or
	if Original Notes are tendered in accordance with the book-entry procedures described in this prospectus, the tendering holder must transmit an agent s message (as defined herein) to the Exchange Agent

See The Exchange Offer Procedures for Tendering.

Special Procedures for Beneficial Holders If you are a beneficial holder of Original Notes that are registered in the name of your broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee, and you wish to tender in the Exchange Offer, you should promptly contact the person in whose name your Original Notes are registered and instruct that nominee to tender on your behalf. See The Exchange Offer Procedures for Tendering.

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Withdrawal Rights	Tenders may be withdrawn at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. See The Exchange Offer Withdrawal Rights.
Acceptance of Original Notes and Delivery of Exchange Notes	Subject to the conditions stated in the section entitled The Exchange Offer Conditions to the Exchange Offer of this prospectus, we will accept for exchange any and all Original Notes that are validly tendered in the Exchange Offer and not validly withdrawn before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. The corresponding Exchange Notes will be delivered promptly after the expiration date. See The Exchange Offer Terms of the Exchange Offer.
Absence of Dissenters Rights of Appraisal	You do not have dissenters rights of appraisal with respect to the Exchange Offer. See The Exchange Offer Absence of Dissenters Rights of Appraisal.
Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations	Your exchange of Original Notes for Exchange Notes pursuant to the Exchange Offer will not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes. See U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.
Exchange Agent	U.S. Bank National Association is serving as the exchange agent (the Exchange Agent) in connection with the Exchange Offer. The address and telephone number of the Exchange Agent are listed under the heading The Exchange Offer Exchange Agent.
Use of Proceeds	We will not receive any cash proceeds from the issuance of the Exchange Notes in the Exchange Offer. The Original Notes surrendered and exchanged for the Exchange Notes will be retired and canceled. Accordingly, issuance of the Exchange Notes will not result in any increase in our outstanding indebtedness.
Resale of the Exchange Notes	Based on existing interpretations of the Securities Act by the SEC staff set forth in several no-action letters to third parties and subject to the immediately following sentence, we believe Exchange Notes issued under the Exchange Offer in exchange for Original Notes may be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by the holders thereof (other than holders that are broker-dealers) without further compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act. However, any holder of Original Notes that is an affiliate of ours that does not comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act to the extent applicable in connection with the resale of the Exchange Notes, that will not acquire the Exchange Notes in the ordinary course of its business, or that intends to participate

in the Exchange Offer for the purpose of distributing any of the Exchange Notes, or any broker-dealer that purchased any of the Original Notes from us or any of our

	affiliates for resale pursuant to Rule 144A or any other available exemption under the Securities Act, (i) will not be able to rely on the interpretations of the SEC staff set forth in the above-mentioned no-action letters, (ii) will not be entitled to tender its Original Notes in the Exchange Offer and (iii) must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any sale or transfer of the Original Notes unless such sale or transfer is made pursuant to an exemption from such requirements.
	Any broker-dealer that receives Exchange Notes for its own account in exchange for Original Notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, must deliver a prospectus (or to the extent permitted by law, make a prospectus available to purchasers) in connection with any resale of such Exchange Notes. See Plan of Distribution.
Consequences of Not Exchanging Original Notes	If you do not exchange your Original Notes in the Exchange Offer, you will continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer described in the legend on your Original Notes. In general, you may offer or sell your Original Notes only:
	if they are registered under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws;
	if they are offered or sold under an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws; or
	if they are offered or sold in a transaction not subject to the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws.
	Although your Original Notes will continue to accrue interest, they will generally retain no rights under the Registration Rights Agreement. We currently do not intend to register the Original Notes under the Securities Act. Under some circumstances, holders of the Original Notes, including holders that are not permitted to participate in the Exchange Offer or that may not freely sell Exchange Notes received in the Exchange Offer, may require us to file, and to cause to become effective, a shelf registration statement covering resales of Original Notes by these holders. For more information regarding the consequences of not tendering your Original Notes and our obligations to file a shelf registration statement, see The Exchange Offer Consequences of Exchanging or Failing to Exchange the Original Notes and The Exchange Offer Registration Rights.

Risk Factors

For a discussion of risk factors you should consider carefully before deciding to participate in the Exchange Offer, see Risk Factors beginning on page 7 of this prospectus.

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The Exchange Notes			
Issuer	Verizon Communications Inc.		
Securities Offered	Up to \$4,251,527,000 aggregate principal amount of Exchange Notes.		
	The terms of the Exchange Notes are identical to the terms of the Original Notes, except that the transfer restrictions, registration rights and additional interest provisions applicable to the Original Notes do not apply to the Exchange Notes.		
Maturity Date	September 21, 2028		
Interest Rate	4.329% per annum		
	The Exchange Notes will bear interest from June 21, 2018.		
Interest Payment Dates	March 21 and September 21 of each year, commencing on March 21, 2019.		
Optional Redemption	We may redeem the Exchange Notes at our option, in whole or in part, at any time prior to maturity, at the redemption price to be determined using the procedure described in this prospectus under Description of the Exchange Notes Redemption.		
Ranking	The Exchange Notes will be unsecured and will rank equally with all of our senior unsecured debt.		
Book Entry; Form and Denominations	The Exchange Notes will be represented by one or more fully registered global notes, which we refer to as the Global Notes. The Global Notes will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee for The Depository Trust Company (DTC). Beneficial interests in the Exchange Notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Clearstream Banking, <i>société anonyme</i> , and Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System, will hold interests on behalf of their participants through their respective U.S.		

	depositaries, which in turn will hold such interests in accounts as participants of DTC. Except in limited circumstances described in this prospectus, owners of beneficial interests in the Exchange Notes will not be entitled to have Exchange Notes registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive Exchange Notes in definitive form and will not be considered holders of Exchange Notes under the Indenture. The Exchange Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000.
No Public Market	The Exchange Notes will be new securities for which there is currently no market. A market for the Exchange Notes may not develop, or if a market does develop, it may not provide adequate liquidity.
Governing Law	The Indenture is, and the Exchange Notes will be, governed by the laws of the State of New York.

RISK FACTORS

An investment in the Exchange Notes involves risks. Before making a decision whether to participate in the Exchange Offer, you should carefully consider the risks and uncertainties described in this prospectus, including the risk factors set forth in the documents and reports filed with the SEC that are incorporated by reference herein. Our business, financial condition, operating results and cash flows can be impacted by these factors, any one of which could cause our actual results to vary materially from recent results or from our anticipated future results.

Uncertainty as to the trading market for Original Notes not exchanged

To the extent valid tenders of Original Notes for exchange in the Exchange Offer are accepted by us and the Exchange Offer is completed, the trading market for the Original Notes that remain outstanding following such completion may be significantly more limited. The remaining Original Notes may command a lower price than a comparable issue of securities with greater market liquidity. A reduced market value and reduced liquidity may also make the trading price of the remaining Original Notes more volatile. As a result, the market price for the Original Notes that remain outstanding after the completion of the Exchange Offer may be adversely affected. Neither we nor the Exchange Agent has any duty to make a market in any remaining Original Notes.

Uncertainty as to the trading market for the Exchange Notes

We cannot make any assurance as to:

the development of an active trading market for the Exchange Notes;

the liquidity of any trading market that may develop for the Exchange Notes;

the ability of holders to sell their Exchange Notes; or

the price at which the holders would be able to sell their Exchange Notes.

We do not intend to apply for listing of the Exchange Notes on any securities exchange or for quotation through any automated dealer quotation system. Any trading market that may develop for the Exchange Notes may be adversely affected by changes in the overall market for investment grade securities, changes in our financial performance or prospects, a change in our credit rating, the prospects for companies in our industry generally, any acquisitions or business combinations proposed or consummated by us, the interest of securities dealers in making a market for the Exchange Notes and prevailing interest rates, financial markets and general economic conditions. A market for the Exchange Notes may be subject to volatility.

Resale of the Original Notes is restricted

The Exchange Notes will be issued pursuant to a registration statement filed with the SEC of which this prospectus forms a part. We have not registered the Original Notes under the Securities Act or for public offerings outside the United States. Consequently, the Original Notes may not be offered or sold in the United States, unless they are registered under the Securities Act, transferred pursuant to an exemption from registration under the Securities Act

and applicable state securities laws or transferred in a transaction not subject to the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. As a result, holders of Original Notes who do not participate in the Exchange Offer will face restrictions on the resale of their Original Notes, and such holders may not be able to sell their Original Notes at the time they wish or at prices acceptable to them. In addition, we do not anticipate that we will register the Original Notes under the Securities Act and, if you are eligible to exchange your Original Notes in the Exchange Offer and do not exchange your Original Notes in the Exchange Offer, you will no longer be entitled to have those Original Notes registered under the Securities Act.

Treatment of the Original Notes not exchanged

Original Notes not exchanged in the Exchange Offer will remain outstanding. The terms and conditions governing the Original Notes will remain unchanged. No amendments to these terms and conditions are being sought.

From time to time after the expiration date, we or our affiliates may acquire Original Notes that are not exchanged in the Exchange Offer through open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions, tender offers, exchange offers, redemptions or otherwise, upon such terms and at such prices as we or our affiliates may determine or as may be provided for in the documents governing the Original Notes (which may be on terms more or less favorable from those contemplated in the Exchange Offer and, in either case, could be for cash or other consideration).

Responsibility for complying with the procedures of the Exchange Offer

Holders of Original Notes are responsible for complying with all of the procedures for tendering Original Notes for exchange in a timely manner. Therefore, holders of Original Notes that wish to exchange them for Exchange Notes should allow sufficient time for timely completion of the exchange procedures. If the exchange procedures are not strictly complied with, the letter of transmittal or the agent s message, as the case may be, may be rejected. Neither we nor the Exchange Agent assumes any responsibility for informing any holder of Original Notes of irregularities with respect to such holder s participation in the Exchange Offer.

Consummation of the Exchange Offer may not occur

The Exchange Offer is subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions. See The Exchange Offer Conditions to the Exchange Offer. Even if the Exchange Offer is completed, it may not be completed on the schedule described in this prospectus. Accordingly, holders participating in the Exchange Offer may have to wait longer than expected to receive their Exchange Notes, during which time such holders will not be able to effect transfers of their Original Notes tendered in the Exchange Offer.

Completion, termination, waiver and amendment

Until we announce whether we have accepted valid tenders of Original Notes for exchange pursuant to the Exchange Offer, no assurance can be given that the Exchange Offer will be completed. In addition, subject to applicable law and as provided in this prospectus, we may, in our sole discretion, extend, re-open, amend, waive any condition of or terminate the Exchange Offer at any time before our announcement of whether we will accept valid tenders of Original Notes for exchange pursuant to the Exchange Offer, which we expect to make as soon as reasonably practicable after the expiration date.

Responsibility to consult advisers

Holders should consult their own tax, accounting, financial and legal advisers regarding the suitability to themselves of the tax or accounting consequences of participating in the Exchange Offer and an investment in the Exchange Notes.

Neither we nor the Exchange Agent, nor our or its directors, employees or affiliates, is acting for any holder of Original Notes or will be responsible to any holder of Original Notes for providing advice in relation to the Exchange Offer, and accordingly neither we nor the Exchange Agent, nor our or its directors, employees and affiliates, makes any recommendation whatsoever regarding the Exchange Offer or any recommendation as to whether you should tender your Original Notes for exchange pursuant to the Exchange Offer.

Registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act

If you exchange your Original Notes in the Exchange Offer for the purpose of participating in a distribution of the Exchange Notes, you may be deemed to have received restricted securities and, if so, you will be required to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale transaction. In addition, a broker-dealer that purchased Original Notes for its own account as part of market-making activities or trading activities must deliver a prospectus when it sells the Exchange Notes it receives in exchange for Original Notes in the Exchange Offer. Our obligation to keep the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part effective is limited. Accordingly, we cannot guarantee that a current prospectus will be available at all times to broker-dealers wishing to resell their Exchange Notes.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We will not receive any cash proceeds from the issuance of the Exchange Notes in the Exchange Offer. The Original Notes surrendered and exchanged for the Exchange Notes will be retired and canceled.

THE EXCHANGE OFFER

Purpose of the Exchange Offer

When we completed the issuance of the Original Notes in connection with private exchange offers on June 21, 2018, we entered into the Registration Rights Agreement with the dealer managers of the private exchange offers. Under the Registration Rights Agreement, we agreed to file a registration statement with the SEC relating to the Exchange Offer within 120 days of the settlement date of the Original Notes. We also agreed to use our commercially reasonable efforts to (i) cause the registration statement to become effective with the SEC within 210 days of the settlement date of the Original Notes. The Registration Rights Agreement provides that we will be required to pay additional interest to the holders of the Original Notes if we fail to comply with such filing, effectiveness and exchange offer consummation requirements.

The Exchange Offer is not being made to holders of Original Notes in any jurisdiction where the exchange would not comply with the securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdiction. A copy of the Registration Rights Agreement has been filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, and it is available from us upon request. See Where You Can Find More Information.

Each broker-dealer that receives Exchange Notes for its own account in exchange for Original Notes, where such Original Notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such Exchange Notes. See Plan of Distribution.

Terms of the Exchange Offer

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions described in this prospectus and in the accompanying letter of transmittal, we will accept for exchange Original Notes that are validly tendered before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date and not validly withdrawn as permitted below. We will issue a like principal amount of Exchange Notes in exchange for the principal amount of the Original Notes tendered under the Exchange Offer. As used in this prospectus, the term expiration date means October 22, 2018. However, if we have extended the period of time for which the Exchange Offer is open, the term expiration date means the latest date to which we extend the Exchange Offer.

As of the date of this prospectus, \$4,251,527,000 aggregate principal amount of Original Notes is outstanding. The Original Notes were issued under the Indenture. Our obligation to accept Original Notes for exchange in the Exchange Offer is subject to the conditions described below under Conditions to the Exchange Offer. We reserve the right to extend the period of time during which the Exchange Offer is open. We may, subject to applicable law, elect to extend the Exchange Offer period if less than 100% of the Original Notes are tendered or if any condition to consummation of the Exchange Offer has not been satisfied as of the expiration date and it is likely that such condition will be satisfied after such date. In addition, in the event of any material change to the Exchange Offer, we will extend the period of time during which the Exchange of any Original Notes by giving written notice of the extension to the holders of Original Notes as described below. During any extension period, all Original Notes previously tendered will remain subject to the Exchange Offer and may be accepted for exchange by us. Any Original Notes not accepted for exchange offer.

Original Notes tendered in the Exchange Offer must be in denominations of \$2,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000.

Subject to applicable law, we reserve the right to amend or terminate the Exchange Offer, and not to accept for exchange any Original Notes not previously accepted for exchange, upon the occurrence of any of the

conditions of the Exchange Offer specified below under Conditions to the Exchange Offer. We will give written notice of any extension, amendment, non-acceptance or termination to the holders of the Original Notes as promptly as practicable. Such notice, in the case of any extension, will be issued by means of a press release or other public announcement no later than 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled expiration date.

Our acceptance of the tender of Original Notes by a tendering holder will form a binding agreement upon the terms and subject to the conditions provided in this prospectus and the accompanying letter of transmittal.

Absence of Dissenters Rights of Appraisal

Holders of the Original Notes do not have any dissenters rights of appraisal in connection with the Exchange Offer.

Procedures for Tendering

Except as described below, a holder tendering Original Notes must, prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date:

transmit a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal, including all other documents required by the letter of transmittal, to the Exchange Agent, at the address listed below under the heading Exchange Agent; or

if Original Notes are tendered in accordance with the book-entry procedures described below, the tendering holder must transmit an agent s message (described below) to the Exchange Agent. Transmittal will be deemed made only when actually received or confirmed by the Exchange Agent.

In addition, the Exchange Agent must receive, before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date:

certificates for the Original Notes; or

confirmation of book-entry transfer of the Original Notes into the Exchange Agent s account at DTC, the book-entry transfer facility.

The term agent s message means a computer-generated message, transmitted by DTC to, and received by, the Exchange Agent and forming a part of a book-entry confirmation, which states that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from the tendering participant that such participant has received and agrees to be bound by, and makes the representations and warranties contained in, the letter of transmittal and that we may enforce the letter of transmittal against such participant.

The method of delivery of Original Notes, letters of transmittal and all other required documents is at your election and risk. If delivery is by mail, we recommend that you use registered mail, properly insured, with return receipt requested. In all cases, you should allow sufficient time to assure timely delivery. You should not send letters of transmittal or Original Notes to anyone other than the Exchange Agent.

If you are a beneficial owner whose Original Notes are registered in the name of a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee, and wish to tender, you should promptly instruct the registered holder to tender on your behalf. Any registered holder that is a participant in DTC s book-entry transfer facility system may make book-entry delivery of the Original Notes by causing DTC to transfer the Original Notes into the Exchange Agent s account.

Signatures on a letter of transmittal or a notice of withdrawal must be guaranteed unless the Original Notes surrendered for exchange are tendered:

by a registered holder of the Original Notes that has not completed the box entitled Special Issuance Instructions or Special Delivery Instructions on the letter of transmittal; or

for the account of an eligible institution.

If signatures on a letter of transmittal or a notice of withdrawal are required to be guaranteed, the guarantees must be by an eligible institution. An eligible institution is a financial institution, including most banks, savings and loan associations and brokerage houses, that is a participant in the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program, the New York Stock Exchange Medallion Signature Program or the Stock Exchanges Medallion Program.

We will reasonably determine all questions as to the validity, form and eligibility of Original Notes tendered for exchange and all questions concerning the timing of receipts and acceptance of tenders. These determinations will be final and binding.

We reserve the right to reject any particular Original Note not validly tendered, or any acceptance that might, in our judgment, be unlawful. We also reserve the right to waive any defects or irregularities with respect to the form of, or procedures applicable to, the tender of any particular Original Note before the expiration date. Unless waived, any defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of Original Notes must be cured before the expiration date of the Exchange Offer. Neither we, the Exchange Agent nor any other person will be under any duty to give notification of any defect or irregularity in any tender of Original Notes. Neither we, the Exchange Agent nor any other person will incur any liability for failing to give notification of any defect or irregularity.

If the letter of transmittal is signed by a person other than the registered holder of Original Notes, the letter of transmittal must be accompanied by a physical certificate representing the Original Notes endorsed by the registered holder or written instrument of transfer or exchange in satisfactory form, duly executed by the registered holder, in either case with the signature guaranteed by an eligible institution. In addition, in either case, the original endorsement or the instrument of transfer must be signed exactly as the name of any registered holder appears on the Original Notes.

If the letter of transmittal or any Original Notes or powers of attorney are signed by trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, attorneys-in-fact, officers of corporations or others acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, these persons should so indicate when signing. Unless waived by us, proper evidence satisfactory to us of their authority to so act must be submitted.

By signing or agreeing to be bound by the letter of transmittal, each tendering holder of Original Notes will represent, among other things, that:

it is not an affiliate of ours or, if an affiliate of ours, will comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act to the extent applicable in connection with the resale of the Exchange Notes;

the Exchange Notes will be acquired in the ordinary course of its business;

it is not participating, does not intend to participate, and has no arrangement or understanding with anyone to participate, in the distribution (within the meaning of the Securities Act) of the Exchange Notes;

it is not a broker-dealer that purchased any of the Original Notes from us or any of our affiliates for resale pursuant to Rule 144A or any other available exemption under the Securities Act; and

if such holder is a broker-dealer that will receive Exchange Notes for its own account in exchange for Original Notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, that it will deliver a prospectus (or to the extent permitted by law, make available a prospectus to purchasers) in connection with any resale of such Exchange Notes. See Plan of Distribution.

Acceptance of Original Notes for Exchange; Delivery of Exchange Notes

Upon satisfaction of all of the conditions to the Exchange Offer, we will accept, promptly after the expiration date, all Original Notes validly tendered. We will issue the Exchange Notes promptly after the expiration of the Exchange Offer and acceptance of the Original Notes. See Conditions to the Exchange Offer below. For purposes of the Exchange Offer, we will be deemed to have accepted validly tendered Original Notes for exchange when, as and if we have given written notice of such acceptance to the Exchange Agent.

For each Original Note accepted for exchange, the holder of the Original Note will receive an Exchange Note having a principal amount equal to that of the surrendered Original Note. The Exchange Notes will bear interest from June 21, 2018. Original Notes accepted for exchange will cease to accrue interest from and after the date of completion of the Exchange Offer. Holders of Original Notes whose Original Notes are accepted for exchange will not receive any payment for accrued interest on the Original Notes otherwise payable on any interest payment date, the record date for which occurs on or after completion of the Exchange Offer and will be deemed to have waived their rights to receive such accrued interest on the Original Notes.

In all cases, issuance of Exchange Notes for Original Notes will be made only after timely receipt by the Exchange Agent of:

certificates for the Original Notes or a book-entry confirmation of the deposit of the Original Notes into the Exchange Agent s account at the book-entry transfer facility;

a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal or a transmitted agent s message; and

all other required documents.

Unaccepted or non-exchanged Original Notes will be returned without expense to the tendering holder of the Original Notes promptly after the expiration of the Exchange Offer. In the case of Original Notes tendered by book-entry transfer in accordance with the book-entry procedures described below, the non-exchanged Original Notes will be returned or recredited promptly after the expiration of the Exchange Offer.

Book-Entry Transfer

The Exchange Agent will make a request to establish an account for the Original Notes at DTC for purposes of the Exchange Offer within two business days after the date of this prospectus. Any financial institution that is a participant in DTC s systems and is tendering Original Notes must make book-entry delivery of the Original Notes by causing DTC to transfer those Original Notes into the Exchange Agent s account at DTC in accordance with DTC s procedures for transfer, including its Automated Tender Offer Program, or ATOP, procedures. The participant should transmit its acceptance to DTC prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. DTC will verify this acceptance, execute a book-entry transfer of the tendered Original Notes into the Exchange Agent s account at DTC and then send to the Exchange Agent confirmation of this book-entry transfer, which confirmation must be received

prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. The confirmation of this book-entry transfer will include an agent s message confirming that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from the participant that the participant has received and agrees to be bound by the letter of transmittal and that we may enforce the letter of transmittal against the participant. Delivery of Exchange Notes issued in the Exchange Offer may be effected through book-entry transfer at DTC. However, the letter of transmittal (or an agent s message in lieu thereof), with any required signature guarantees and any other required documents, must be transmitted to, and received by, the Exchange Agent at the address listed below under Exchange Agent (or its account at DTC with respect to an agent s message) prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

Withdrawal Rights

For a withdrawal to be effective, the Exchange Agent must receive a written notice of withdrawal at the address indicated below under Exchange Agent before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. Any notice of withdrawal must:

specify the name of the person, referred to as the depositor, having tendered the Original Notes to be withdrawn;

identify the Original Notes to be withdrawn, including the certificate number or numbers, if applicable, and principal amount of the Original Notes;

in the case of Original Notes tendered by book-entry transfer, specify the number of the account at the book-entry transfer facility from which the Original Notes were tendered and specify the name and number of the account at the book-entry transfer facility to be credited with the withdrawn Original Notes and otherwise comply with the procedures of such facility;

contain a statement that the holder is withdrawing his election to have the Original Notes exchanged;

be signed by the holder in the same manner as the original signature on the letter of transmittal by which the Original Notes were tendered, including any required signature guarantees, or be accompanied by documents of transfer to have the Trustee with respect to the Original Notes register the transfer of the Original Notes in the name of the person withdrawing the tender, together with satisfactory evidence of payment of applicable transfer taxes or exemption therefrom; and

specify the name in which the Original Notes are registered, if different from that of the depositor. If certificates for Original Notes have been delivered or otherwise identified to the Exchange Agent, then, prior to the release of these certificates, the withdrawing holder must also submit the serial numbers of the particular certificates to be withdrawn and a signed notice of withdrawal with signatures guaranteed by an eligible institution unless this holder is an eligible institution. We will determine all questions as to the validity, form and eligibility, including time of receipt, of notices of withdrawal. Validly withdrawn Original Notes may be re-tendered by following the procedures described under Procedures for Tendering above at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

Conditions to the Exchange Offer

Notwithstanding any other provision of this prospectus, with respect to the Exchange Offer, we will not be obligated to (i) accept for exchange any validly tendered Original Notes or (ii) issue any Exchange Notes in exchange for validly tendered Original Notes or complete the Exchange Offer, if at or prior to the expiration date:

- (1) there is threatened, instituted or pending any action or proceeding before, or any injunction, order or decree issued by, any court or governmental agency or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency or commission that might materially impair our ability to proceed with the Exchange Offer; or
- (2) the Exchange Offer or the making of any exchange by a holder of Original Notes would violate applicable law or any applicable interpretation of the SEC staff.

In addition, we will not accept for exchange any Original Notes tendered, and no Exchange Notes will be issued in exchange for any Original Notes, if any stop order is threatened by the SEC or in effect relating to the registration statement of which this prospectus constitutes a part or the qualification of the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended. We are required to use our commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the withdrawal of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of a registration statement at the earliest possible time.

The Exchange Offer is not conditioned upon any minimum amount of Original Notes being tendered.

Exchange Agent

We have appointed U.S. Bank National Association as the Exchange Agent for the Exchange Offer. You should direct all executed letters of transmittal to the Exchange Agent at the address indicated below. You should direct questions and requests for assistance, and requests for additional copies of this prospectus or of the letter of transmittal to the Exchange Agent addressed as follows:

Deliver	To:
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By Mail:	By Hand or Overnight Courier:	For Information or Confirmation by Email or Telephone:
U.S. Bank National Association	U.S. Bank National Association	1-800-934-6802
Attn: Specialized Finance	Attn: Specialized Finance	cts.specfinance@usbank.com
60 Livingston Ave EP-MN-WS2N	111 Fillmore Ave E	

St. Paul, MN 55107-2292

St. Paul, MN 55107-1402

All other questions should be addressed to Verizon Communications Inc., One Verizon Way, Basking Ridge, New Jersey 07920, Attention: Fixed Income Investor Relations. If you deliver the letter of transmittal to an address other than any address for the Exchange Agent indicated above, then your delivery or transmission will not constitute a valid delivery of the letter of transmittal.

Fees and Expenses

We will not make any payment to brokers, dealers or others soliciting acceptances of the Exchange Offer. We have agreed to pay all expenses incident to the Exchange Offer other than commissions or concessions of any broker-dealers and will indemnify the holders of the Original Notes and the Exchange Notes (including any broker-dealers) against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. The cash expenses to be incurred in connection with the Exchange Offer, including out-of-pocket expenses for the Exchange Agent, will be paid by us.

Transfer Taxes

We will pay any transfer taxes in connection with the tender of Original Notes in the Exchange Offer unless you instruct us to register Exchange Notes in the name of, or request that Original Notes not tendered or not accepted in the Exchange Offer be returned to, a person other than the registered tendering holder. In those cases, you will be responsible for the payment of any applicable transfer taxes.

Accounting Treatment

The Exchange Notes will be recorded at the same carrying value as the Original Notes as reflected in our accounting records on the date of the exchange. Accordingly, we will not recognize any gain or loss for accounting purposes upon the completion of the Exchange Offer. Payments made to other third parties will be expensed as incurred in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Consequences of Exchanging or Failing to Exchange the Original Notes

Holders of Original Notes that do not exchange their Original Notes for Exchange Notes under the Exchange Offer will remain subject to the restrictions on transfer of such Original Notes as set forth in the legend printed on the global certificates representing the Original Notes as a consequence of the issuance of the Original Notes pursuant to exemptions from, or in transactions not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. In general, you may not offer or sell the Original Notes unless they are registered under the Securities Act, transferred pursuant to an exemption from registration under the

Securities Act and applicable state securities laws or transferred in a transaction not subject to the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Except as required by the Registration Rights Agreement, we do not intend to register resales of the Original Notes under the Securities Act.

Under existing interpretations of the Securities Act by the SEC staff contained in several no-action letters to third parties, and subject to the immediately following sentence, we believe the Exchange Notes would generally be freely transferable by holders other than our affiliates after the Exchange Offer without further registration under the Securities Act, subject to certain representations required to be made by each holder of Exchange Notes, as set forth below. However, any holder of Original Notes that is one of our affiliates (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) that does not comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act to the extent applicable in connection with the resale of the Exchange Notes or that intends to participate in the Exchange Offer for the purpose of distributing the Exchange Notes, or any broker-dealer that purchased any of the Original Notes from us or any of our affiliates for resale pursuant to Rule 144A or any other available exemption under the Securities Act:

will not be able to rely on the interpretation of the SEC staff;

will not be able to tender its Original Notes in the Exchange Offer; and

must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any sale or transfer of Original Notes unless such sale or transfer is made pursuant to an exemption from such requirements. See Plan of Distribution.

We do not intend to seek our own interpretation from the SEC staff regarding the Exchange Offer, and there can be no assurance that the SEC staff would make a similar determination with respect to the Exchange Notes as it has in other interpretations to other parties, although we have no reason to believe otherwise.

Registration Rights

The following description of the Registration Rights Agreement is a summary only and is qualified in its entirety by reference to all the provisions of the Registration Rights Agreement. A copy of the Registration Rights Agreement is available upon request to us at our address set forth under Documents Incorporated by Reference.

On June 21, 2018, we entered into the Registration Rights Agreement with the dealer managers of the private exchange offers pursuant to which we agreed, for the benefit of the holders of the Original Notes, at our cost, to:

file, not later than 120 days after the settlement date for the Original Notes, a registration statement (the Exchange Offer Registration Statement) with respect to a registered offer (the Registered Exchange Offer) to exchange the Original Notes for a new series of notes (the Registered Notes) having terms identical in all material respects to the Original Notes, except that the Registered Notes will not contain transfer restrictions or be subject to any increase in annual interest rate;

use our commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Exchange Offer Registration Statement to be declared effective within 210 days of the settlement date for the Original Notes; and

use our commercially reasonable efforts to complete the Registered Exchange Offer within 250 days of the settlement date for the Original Notes.

This prospectus is a part of a registration statement we have filed with the SEC. Promptly after this registration statement has been declared effective, we will commence the Registered Exchange Offer.

If the Original Notes held by non-affiliates of ours are not freely tradable pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act and the applicable interpretations of the SEC and:

due to a change in law or in applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC, we determine upon the advice of outside counsel that we are not permitted to effect the Registered Exchange Offer;

any holder of Original Notes notifies us in writing not more than 20 days after completion of the Registered Exchange Offer that it is not eligible to participate in the Registered Exchange Offer (other than due to its status as a broker-dealer); or

for any other reason, the Registered Exchange Offer is not completed within 250 days after the settlement date for the Original Notes,

then we will, at our cost:

as promptly as practicable, but not more than 60 days after we are so required or requested pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement, file with the SEC a shelf registration statement covering resales of the Original Notes (the Shelf Registration Statement);

use our reasonable best efforts to cause the Shelf Registration Statement to be declared effective under the Securities Act within 150 days after we are so required or requested; and

use our reasonable best efforts to keep the Shelf Registration Statement continuously effective, supplemented and amended as required by the Securities Act until the earlier of the date that is two years after the settlement date for the Original Notes or the time that all Original Notes registered for resale under the Shelf Registration Statement have been sold pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement or are freely tradable by non-affiliates of ours pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act and the applicable interpretations of the SEC.

For each relevant holder of Original Notes covered by the Shelf Registration Statement, we will:

provide copies of the prospectus that is part of the Shelf Registration Statement;

notify each such holder when the Shelf Registration Statement has been filed and when it has become effective; and

take certain other actions as are required to permit unrestricted resales of the Original Notes. A holder that sells Original Notes pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement generally will be required to be named as a selling security holder in the related prospectus and to deliver a prospectus to purchasers, will be subject to certain of the civil liability provisions under the Securities Act in connection with such sales and will be bound by the provisions of the Registration Rights Agreement that are applicable to such holder, including certain indemnification obligations. In addition, a holder of Original Notes will be required to deliver information to be used in connection with the Shelf Registration Statement in order to have that holder s Original Notes included in the Shelf Registration Statement and to benefit from the provisions set forth in the following paragraph.

If:

the Exchange Offer Registration Statement is not filed with the SEC on or prior to the date specified for such filing in the Registration Rights Agreement, and we have not determined upon advice of outside counsel that due to a change in law or in applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC, that we are not permitted to effect the Registered Exchange Offer as provided in the first bullet of the third preceding paragraph;

the Registered Exchange Offer is not completed within 250 days of the settlement date for the Original Notes and we have not determined upon the advice of outside counsel that due to a change in law or in applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC, that we are not permitted to effect the Registered Exchange Offer as provided in the first bullet of the third preceding paragraph;

the Shelf Registration Statement, if applicable, is not declared effective by the SEC on or prior to the date specified in the Registration Rights Agreement;

the Exchange Offer Registration Statement has been declared effective but ceases to be effective or usable prior to the consummation of the Registered Exchange Offer (unless such ineffectiveness or inability to use the Exchange Offer Registration Statement is cured within the 250-day period after the settlement date for the Original Notes); or

the Shelf Registration Statement, if applicable, has been declared effective but ceases to be effective or usable for a period of time that exceeds 120 days in the aggregate in any 12-month period in which it is required to be effective under the Registration Rights Agreement (each such event referred to in this bullet point and any of the previous four bullet points we refer to as a Registration Default),

then we will pay additional interest as liquidated damages to the holders of the Original Notes affected thereby, and that additional interest will accrue on the principal amount of the Original Notes affected thereby, in addition to the stated interest on the Original Notes, from and including the date on which any Registration Default shall occur to, but not including, the date on which all Registration Defaults have been cured. Additional interest will accrue at a rate of 0.25% per annum while one or more Registration Defaults is continuing and will be payable at the same time, to the same persons and in the same manner as ordinary interest.

Following the cure of all Registration Defaults, the accrual of additional interest on the Original Notes will cease and the interest rate will revert to the original rate on the Original Notes. Any additional interest will constitute liquidated damages and will be the exclusive remedy, monetary or otherwise, available to any holder of Original Notes with respect to any Registration Default.

The Registration Rights Agreement provides that a holder of Original Notes is deemed to have agreed to be bound by the provisions of the Registration Rights Agreement whether or not the holder has signed the Registration Rights Agreement.

DESCRIPTION OF THE EXCHANGE NOTES

General

The Exchange Notes will be issued under the Indenture and will be issued in book-entry form and shall be in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000.

The Indenture provides for the issuance from time to time of debt securities in an unlimited principal amount and in an unlimited number of series. The Exchange Notes will be unsecured and will rank equally with all of our senior unsecured debt. The Exchange Notes will be a series of debt securities under the Indenture.

The following summary sets forth certain terms and provisions of the Exchange Notes and the Indenture, does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the terms and provisions of the Exchange Notes and the Indenture, including the definitions therein, copies of which are available as set forth under

Where You Can Find More Information. Because the following is only a summary, it does not contain all of the information that you may find useful in evaluating an investment in the Exchange Notes. We urge you to read the Indenture and the Exchange Notes because they, and not this description, define your rights as holders of the Exchange Notes.

Maturity and Interest

The Exchange Notes will mature on September 21, 2028.

We will pay interest on the Exchange Notes on March 21 of each year to holders of record at the close of business on the immediately preceding March 6 and on September 21 of each year to holders of record at the close of business on the immediately preceding September 6. If interest or principal on the Exchange Notes is payable on a Saturday, Sunday or any other day when banks are not open for business in The City of New York, we will make the payment on the Exchange Notes the next succeeding business day, and no interest will accrue as a result of the delay in payment. The first interest payment date on the Exchange Notes is March 21, 2019. Interest on the Exchange Notes will accrue from June 21, 2018. Interest on the Exchange Notes will accrue on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 months of 30 days.

We may issue additional debt securities under the Indenture having the same terms in all respects as the Exchange Notes offered hereby.

Form and Denominations

The Exchange Notes will only be issued in book-entry form, which means that the Exchange Notes will be represented by one or more permanent global certificates registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, commonly known as DTC, or its nominee. You may hold interests in the Exchange Notes directly through DTC, Euroclear Bank, S.A./N.V., commonly known as Euroclear, or Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme*, Luxembourg, commonly known as Clearstream, if you are a participant in any of these clearing systems, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in these systems. Links have been established among DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear to facilitate the issuance of the Exchange Notes and cross-market transfers of the Exchange Notes associated with secondary market trading. DTC is linked indirectly to Clearstream and Euroclear through the depositary accounts of their respective U.S. depositaries. Beneficial interests in the Exchange Notes may be held in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000. Exchange Notes in book-entry form that can be exchanged for definitive notes under the circumstances described under the caption

Clearing and Settlement will be exchanged only for definitive notes issued in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000.

Redemption

We have the option to redeem the Exchange Notes on not less than 30 nor more than 60 days notice, in whole or in part, at any time prior to maturity, at a redemption price equal to the greater of:

- (1) 100% of the principal amount of the Exchange Notes being redeemed, or
- (2) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest on the Exchange Notes being redeemed (exclusive of interest accrued to the date of redemption), as the case may be, discounted to the date of redemption on a semiannual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate *plus* 25 basis points,

plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount being redeemed to, but excluding, the date of redemption.

The Treasury Rate will be determined on the third business day preceding the date of redemption and means, with respect to any date of redemption:

- (1) the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing on the most recently published statistical release published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System designated as Statistical Release H. 15 or any successor publication which is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption Treasury Constant Maturities, for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue (if no maturity is within three months before or after the Remaining Life, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue will be determined and the Treasury Rate will be interpolated or extrapolated from those yields on a straight-line basis, rounding to the nearest month), or
- (2) if that release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain those yields, the rate per annum equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated using a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for the date of redemption. Comparable Treasury Issue means the United States Treasury security selected by the Independent Investment Banker as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term, referred to as the Remaining Life, of the Exchange Notes being redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of the Exchange Notes.

Comparable Treasury Price means (1) the average of three Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for that date of redemption, or (2) if the Independent Investment Banker is unable to obtain three Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all quotations obtained.

Independent Investment Banker means an independent investment banking or commercial banking institution of national standing appointed by us.

Reference Treasury Dealer means (1) any independent investment banking or commercial banking institution of national standing and any of its successors appointed by us, provided, however, that if any of the foregoing shall cease to be a primary U.S. Government securities dealer in the United States, referred to as a Primary Treasury Dealer, we shall substitute therefor another Primary Treasury Dealer, and (2) any other Primary Treasury Dealer selected by the Independent Investment Banker and approved in writing by us.

Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any date of redemption, the average, as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, of the bid and asked

prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Independent Investment Banker at 3:30 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding the date of redemption.

In addition, we may at any time purchase all or some of the Exchange Notes by tender, in the open market or by private agreement, subject to applicable law.

Liens on Assets

The Exchange Notes will not be secured. However, if at any time we incur other debt or obligations secured by a mortgage or pledge on any of our property, the Indenture requires us to secure the outstanding debt securities issued under the Indenture, including the Exchange Notes, equally and ratably with the debt or obligations secured by such mortgage or pledge for as long as such debt or obligations remain secured. Exceptions to this requirement include the following:

purchase-money mortgages or liens;

liens on any property or asset that existed at the time when we acquired that property or asset;

any deposit or pledge to secure public or statutory obligations;

any deposit or pledge with any governmental agency required to qualify us to conduct any part of our business, to entitle us to maintain self-insurance or to obtain the benefits of any law relating to workmen s compensation, unemployment insurance, old age pensions or other social security; or

any deposit or pledge with any court, board, commission or governmental agency as security for the proper conduct of any proceeding before it.

The Indenture does not prevent any of our affiliates from mortgaging, pledging or subjecting to any lien, any property or asset, even if the affiliate acquired that property or asset from us.

We may issue or assume an unlimited amount of debt under the Indenture. As a result, the Indenture does not prevent us from significantly increasing our unsecured debt levels, which may negatively affect the resale of the Exchange Notes.

Consolidation, Merger or Sale

The Indenture provides that we may not merge with another company or sell, transfer or lease all or substantially all of our property to another company unless:

the successor corporation expressly assumes:

payment of principal, interest and any premium on the Exchange Notes; and

performance and observance of all covenants and conditions in the Indenture;

after giving effect to the transaction, there is no default under the Indenture;

we have delivered to the trustee an officers certificate and opinion of counsel stating that such transaction complies with the conditions set forth in the Indenture; and

if as a result of the transaction, our property would become subject to a lien that would not be permitted by the asset lien restriction, we secure the Exchange Notes equally and ratably with, or prior to, all indebtedness secured by that lien.

Events of Default, Notices and Waiver

An event of default means, for any series of debt securities issued under the Indenture, any of the following:

failure to pay interest on that series of debt securities for 90 days after payment is due;

failure to pay principal or any premium on that series of debt securities when due;

failure to perform any other covenant relating to that series of debt securities for 90 days after notice to us;

certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency and reorganization; and

any other event of default provided for in the supplement to the Indenture, board resolution or officers certificate designating the specific terms of such series of debt securities.

An event of default for a particular series of debt securities issued under the Indenture does not necessarily impact any other series of debt securities issued under the Indenture. If an event of default for any series of debt securities issued under the Indenture occurs and continues, the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% of the outstanding principal amount of the debt securities of such series may declare the entire principal of all the debt securities of that series to be due and payable immediately. If this happens, subject to certain conditions, the holders of a majority of the outstanding principal amount of the debt securities of that series can rescind the declaration if there has been deposited with the trustee a sum sufficient to pay all matured installments of interest, principal and any premium.

The holders of more than 50% of the outstanding principal amount of any series of the debt securities may, on behalf of the holders of all of the debt securities of that series, control any proceedings resulting from an event of default or waive any past default except a default in the payment of principal, interest or any premium. We are required to file an annual certificate with the Trustee stating whether we are in compliance with all of the conditions and covenants under the Indenture.

Changes to the Indenture

The Indenture may be changed with the consent of holders owning more than 50% of the principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of each series affected by the change. However, we may not change your principal or interest payment terms or the percentage required to change other terms of the Indenture, without your consent and the consent of others similarly affected. We may enter into supplemental indentures for other specified purposes, including the creation of any new series of debt securities, without the consent of any holder of debt securities.

Concerning the Trustee

Within 90 days after a default occurs with respect to a particular series of debt securities, the Trustee must notify the holders of the debt securities of such series of all defaults known to the Trustee if we have not remedied them (default is defined to mean any event which is, or after notice or lapse of time or both would become, an event of default with respect to such series of debt securities as specified above under Events of Default, Notices and Waiver). If a default described in the third bullet point under Events of Default, Notices and Waiver occurs, the Trustee will not give notice to the holders of the series until at least 60 days after the occurrence of that default. The Trustee may withhold notice to the holders of the debt securities of any default (except in the payment of principal, interest or any premium) if it in good faith believes that withholding this notice is in the interest of the holders.

Prior to an event of default, the Trustee is required to perform only the specific duties stated in the Indenture, and after an event of default, must exercise the same degree of care as a prudent individual would exercise in the conduct of his or her own affairs. The trustee is not required to take any action permitted by the Indenture at the request of holders of the debt securities, unless those holders protect the Trustee against costs, expenses and liabilities. The Trustee is not required to spend its own funds or become financially liable when performing its duties if it reasonably believes that it will not be adequately protected financially.

U.S. Bank National Association, the Trustee, and its affiliates have commercial banking relationships with us and some of our affiliates and serve as trustee or paying agent under indentures relating to debt securities issued by us and some of our affiliates.

Paying Agent and Registrar

The Trustee will initially act as paying agent and registrar. We may change the paying agent or registrar without prior notice to the holders of the Exchange Notes, and we may act as paying agent or registrar, although we currently have no plans to do so.

Defeasance

The Indenture permits us to discharge or defease certain of our obligations on any series of debt securities at any time. We may defease by depositing with the Trustee sufficient cash or government securities to pay all sums due on that series of debt securities.

Governing Law

The Indenture is, and the Exchange Notes will be, governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

CLEARING AND SETTLEMENT

Book-Entry Procedures for the Global Notes

The descriptions of the operations and procedures of DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear described below are provided solely as a matter of convenience. These operations and procedures are solely within the control of these settlement systems and are subject to change by them from time to time. Neither we, the Trustee, nor any paying agent takes any responsibility for these operations or procedures, and investors are urged to contact the relevant system or its participants directly to discuss these matters.

The clearing systems have advised us as follows:

DTC

DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a banking organization within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the U.S. Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a clearing agency registered under Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds securities that its participants, known as DTC participants, deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the settlement among DTC participants of securities transactions, such as transfers and pledges, in deposited securities through computerized records for DTC participants accounts. This eliminates the need to exchange certificates. DTC participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations.

DTC s book-entry system is also used by other organizations such as securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies that work through a DTC participant. The rules that apply to DTC and its participants are on file with the SEC.

Upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest, DTC will credit DTC participants accounts on the payment date according to such participants respective holdings of beneficial interests in the Global Notes as shown on DTC s records. In addition, it is DTC s current practice to assign any consenting or voting rights to DTC participants whose accounts are credited with securities on a record date, by using an omnibus proxy. Payments by DTC participants to owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes, and voting by DTC participants, will be governed by the customary practices between the DTC participants and owners of beneficial interests, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in street name. However, these payments will be the responsibility of the DTC participants and not of DTC, the Trustee, the Exchange Agent, any paying agent, if applicable, or us.

Clearstream

Clearstream is incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg as a professional depositary. Clearstream holds securities for its participating organizations, known as Clearstream participants, and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Clearstream provides to Clearstream participants, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. As a registered bank in Luxembourg, Clearstream is subject to regulation by the Commission for the Supervision of the Financial Sector (*Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier*). Clearstream participants are recognized financial institutions around the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. Indirect access to Clearstream is also available to

others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Clearstream participant either directly or indirectly. Clearstream has established an electronic bridge with Euroclear to facilitate settlement of trades between Clearstream and Euroclear.

Distributions with respect to interests in the Global Notes held beneficially through Clearstream will be credited to cash accounts of Clearstream participants in accordance with its rules and procedures, to the extent received by the U.S. depositary for Clearstream.

Euroclear

Euroclear was created in 1968 to hold securities for its participants, known as Euroclear participants, and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear participants and between Euroclear participants and participants of certain other securities intermediaries through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Euroclear is owned by Euroclear plc, a U.K. limited liability company, and operated through a license agreement by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., known as the Euroclear operator. The Euroclear operator provides Euroclear participants, among other things, with safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement, securities lending and borrowing and related services. Euroclear participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries.

Indirect access to Euroclear is also available to others that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear participant, either directly or indirectly.

The Euroclear operator is a Belgian bank regulated by the Belgian Banking and Finance Commission and is overseen as the operator of a securities settlement system by the National Bank of Belgium.

Securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear operator are governed by the Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System, and applicable Belgian law, collectively referred to as the terms and conditions. The terms and conditions govern transfers of securities and cash within Euroclear, withdrawals of securities and cash from Euroclear, and receipts of payments with respect to securities in Euroclear. All securities in Euroclear are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear operator acts under the terms and conditions only on behalf of Euroclear participants, and has no record of or relationship with persons holding through Euroclear participants.

Distributions with respect to Global Notes held beneficially through Euroclear will be credited to the cash accounts of Euroclear participants in accordance with the terms and conditions, to the extent received by the U.S. depositary for Euroclear.

Global Clearance and Settlement Procedures

We expect that the Exchange Notes will trade in DTC s Same-Day Funds Settlement System, and any permitted secondary market trading activity in the Exchange Notes will, therefore, be required by DTC to be settled in same-day funds. Secondary market trading between DTC participants will occur in accordance with DTC rules. Secondary market trading between Clearstream participants and/or Euroclear participants will occur in accordance with the applicable rules and operating procedures of Clearstream and Euroclear and will be settled using the procedures applicable to conventional eurobonds in same-day funds.

Cross-market transfers between persons holding directly or indirectly through DTC participants, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Clearstream or Euroclear participants, on the other, will be effected in DTC in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of the applicable European international clearing system by its U.S. depositary; however, these cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to such European international clearing

system by the counterparty in that system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (European time). The European international clearing system will, if a transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its U.S. depositary to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving interests in the relevant Global Notes in DTC, and making or

receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for settlement in DTC. Clearstream participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the respective U.S. depositary for Clearstream or Euroclear.

Because of time-zone differences, credits of Global Notes received in Clearstream or Euroclear as a result of a transaction with a DTC participant will be made during subsequent securities settlement processing and dated the business day following the DTC settlement date. The credits or any transactions in the Global Notes settled during this processing will be reported to the Clearstream or Euroclear participants on the same business day. Cash received in Clearstream or Euroclear as a result of sales of the Global Notes by or through a Clearstream participant or a Euroclear participant to a DTC participant will be received with value on the DTC settlement date but will be available in the Clearstream or Euroclear cash account only as of the business day following settlement in DTC.

Although DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear are expected to follow these procedures in order to facilitate transfers of interests in the Global Notes among participants of DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear, they will be under no obligation to perform or continue to perform these procedures and these procedures may be changed or discontinued at any time by any of them. Neither we, the Trustee, the Exchange Agent nor any paying agent, if applicable, will have any responsibility for the performance of DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream or their respective participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences to you if you exchange Original Notes for Exchange Notes pursuant to the Exchange Offer. This summary is limited to considerations for exchanging holders of Original Notes that have held the Original Notes, and will hold the Exchange Notes, as capital assets, and that acquire Exchange Notes pursuant to the Exchange Offer. This summary does not discuss all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be relevant to a particular beneficial owner of Original Notes or to beneficial owners of Original Notes that may be subject to special tax rules, including a bank, a tax-exempt entity, an insurance company, a dealer in securities or currencies, a trader in securities electing to mark to market, an entity taxed as a partnership or partners therein, a controlled foreign corporation or passive foreign investment company, an individual or an entity taxed as an individual, a non-resident alien individual present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year, a person that holds Original Notes or will hold Exchange Notes as a position in a straddle or conversion transaction, or as part of a synthetic security or other integrated financial transaction, or a U.S. holder (as defined below) that has a functional currency other than the U.S. dollar. In addition, this summary does not address the Medicare tax on net investment income, alternative minimum tax consequences or any state, local, or non-U.S. tax considerations. You should consult your own tax advisor regarding the U.S. federal, state, local, and non-U.S. income and other tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of the Notes.

This discussion is based on the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), U.S. Treasury regulations, published administrative interpretations of the Internal Revenue Service (the IRS) and judicial decisions, all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect.

For purposes of this discussion, you are a U.S. holder if you are a beneficial owner of Notes that is a citizen or resident of the United States or a domestic corporation or otherwise subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis in respect of the Original Notes. You are a Non-U.S. holder if you are a beneficial owner of Notes that is not a U.S. holder.

Tax Consequences to Holders Who Participate in the Exchange Offer

An exchange of Original Notes for Exchange Notes will not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Your initial tax basis in the Exchange Notes will equal your tax basis in the Original Notes, and your holding period for the Exchange Notes will include your holding period for the Original Notes.

Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders of Holding and Disposing of the Notes

Payments of Interest

If you are a U.S. holder, payments of stated interest on the Notes will be taxable to you as ordinary interest income at the time that such payments are accrued or are received, in accordance with your method of tax accounting.

Under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, U.S. holders that use an accrual method of accounting for tax purposes (accrual method holders) generally are required to include certain amounts in income no later than the time such amounts are reflected on certain financial statements (the book/tax conformity rule). The application of the book/tax conformity rule thus may require the accrual of income earlier than would be the case under prior law, although it is not clear to what types of income the book/tax conformity rule applies (for example, whether it might apply to original issue discount that is less than a de minimis threshold). This rule generally is effective for tax years beginning after December 31, 2017. Accrual method holders should consult with their tax advisors regarding the potential applicability of the book/tax conformity rule to their particular situation.

Amortizable Bond Premium

If your initial tax basis in a Note exceeds the stated principal amount of your Note, then you will be considered to have amortizable bond premium equal to such excess. You may elect to amortize this premium

using a constant yield method over the term of the Note. If you elect to amortize bond premium, you may offset each interest payment on the Note by the portion of the bond premium allocable to the payment and must reduce your tax basis in the Note by the amount of the premium so amortized. The tax treatment of any Original Notes acquired at a premium will not change as a result of the Exchange Offer, and the Exchange Notes for which such Original Notes are exchanged will be subject to the rules described in this paragraph.

Market Discount

If your initial tax basis in a Note is less than the stated principal amount of the Note (subject to a de minimis exception), then you will be treated as having acquired that Note at a market discount. You are required to treat any gain on the sale, exchange, retirement or other taxable disposition of a Note as ordinary income to the extent of any accrued market discount on the Note at the time of the disposition, unless you have previously included such market discount in income pursuant to an election by you to include the market discount in income as it accrues. If you dispose of a Note in certain nontaxable transactions, a portion, and potentially all, accrued market discount will be includible as ordinary income to you as if you had sold the Note in a taxable transaction at its fair market value at the time of such disposition. The tax treatment of any Original Notes acquired with market discount will not change as a result of the Exchange Offer, and the Exchange Notes for which such Original Notes are exchanged will be subject to the rules described in this paragraph.

The application of the book/tax conformity rule to Notes with market discount is uncertain. Under the book/tax conformity rule, an accrual method holder that has made the election described in the prior paragraph to accrue market discount may be required to accrue market discount in a more accelerated manner than described above if the holder does so for financial accounting purposes. It is also possible, although less likely, that accrual method holders that have not made the election described above and that accrue market discount on a current basis on their financial statements may be required to accrue market discount including de minimis market discount currently for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Sale, Exchange, Redemption or Other Disposition of the Exchange Notes

Except as described above with respect to accrued market discount, upon the disposition of an Exchange Note by sale, exchange, redemption or otherwise, you generally will recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference between (i) the amount realized on the disposition (other than amounts attributable to accrued interest not previously recognized as income, which will be taxed as such) and (ii) your adjusted tax basis in the Exchange Note. Your adjusted tax basis in an Exchange Note will equal your tax basis in the Original Note you exchanged for the Exchange Note, increased by market discount, if any, taken into account by you and reduced by any amortizable bond premium previously amortized by you. Any capital gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if you hold the Exchange Notes for more than one year. Certain non-corporate U.S. holders are eligible for preferential rates of U.S. federal income taxation in respect of long-term capital gains. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations under the Code.

Issue Price of the Exchange Notes

Since an exchange of Original Notes for Exchange Notes is not a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the adjusted issue price of the Exchange Notes will equal the adjusted issue price of the Original Notes.

Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders of Holding and Disposing of the Exchange Notes

Except in the circumstances described below under Backup Withholding and Information Reporting and FATCA Withholding, if you are a Non-U.S. holder, you will generally not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on any gain on the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition of Exchange Notes, and payments of interest on the Exchange Notes will be treated as ordinary interest income and will generally not be subject to tax provided that (i) you do not actually or constructively own 10% or more of the total combined voting power of

all classes of our voting stock, (ii) you are not a controlled foreign corporation that is related to us (actually or constructively) through stock ownership and (iii) you provide a statement signed under penalties of perjury that includes your name and address and certifies that you are a Non-U.S. holder in compliance with applicable requirements, generally made, under current procedures, on IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E (or satisfy certain documentary evidence requirements for establishing that you are a Non-U.S. holder).

Backup Withholding and Information Reporting

If you are a U.S. holder that is not a corporation or other exempt recipient, information returns will be filed with the IRS in connection with payments on the Exchange Notes made to you. You generally will not be subject to U.S. backup withholding tax in connection with the Exchange Offer, or on payments on the Exchange Notes, if you provide a correct taxpayer identification number, certify as to no loss of exemption from backup withholding and otherwise comply with applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules. You may also be subject to information reporting and backup withholding requirements with respect to the proceeds from a sale or other taxable disposition of the Exchange Notes. Non-U.S. holders may be required to comply with applicable certification procedures to establish that they are Non-U.S. holders in order to avoid the application of information reporting requirements and backup withholding tax. Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be refunded or credited against the holder s U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, provided that the required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

FATCA Withholding

Under the U.S. tax rules known as the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA), a holder of the Exchange Notes will generally be subject to 30% U.S. withholding tax on payments made on (and, after December 31, 2018, gross proceeds from the sale or other taxable disposition of) the Exchange Notes if the holder (i) is, or holds its Exchange Notes through, a foreign financial institution that has not entered into an agreement with the U.S. government to report, on an annual basis, certain information regarding accounts with or interests in the institution held by certain United States persons and by certain non-U.S. entities that are wholly or partially owned by United States persons, or that has been designated as a nonparticipating foreign financial institution if it is subject to an intergovernmental agreement between the United States and a foreign country, or (ii) fails to provide certain documentation containing information about its identity, its FATCA status, and if required, its direct and indirect U.S. owners. The future adoption of, or implementation of, an intergovernmental agreement between the United States and an applicable foreign country, or future U.S. Treasury regulations, may modify these requirements. You should consult your own tax advisor on how these rules may apply to your investment in the Exchange Notes.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Based on existing interpretations of the Securities Act by the SEC staff set forth in several no-action letters to third parties (including Exxon Capital Holdings Corporation (available May 13, 1988), Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated (available June 5, 1991), K-111 Communications Corporation (available May 14, 1993) and Shearman & Sterling (available July 2, 1993)), and subject to the immediately following sentence, we believe Exchange Notes issued under the Exchange Offer in exchange for Original Notes may be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by the holders thereof (other than holders that are broker-dealers) without further compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act. However, any holder of Original Notes that is an affiliate of ours that does not comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act to the extent applicable in connection with the resale of the Exchange Notes or that intends to participate in the Exchange Offer for the purpose of distributing the Exchange Notes, or any broker-dealer that purchased any of the Original Notes from us or any of our affiliates for resale pursuant to Rule 144A or any other available exemption under the Securities Act, (i) will not be able to rely on the interpretations of the SEC staff set forth in the above-mentioned no-action letters, (ii) will not be entitled to tender its Original Notes in the Exchange Offer, and (iii) must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Original Notes in the Original Notes in the Original Notes in the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Original Notes from us or any of our affiliates for resale pursuant to Rule 144A or any other available exemption under the Securities Act, (i) will not be entitled to tender its Original Notes in the Exchange Offer, and (iii) must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any sale or tr

Each broker-dealer that receives Exchange Notes for its own account pursuant to the Exchange Offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such Exchange Notes. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of Exchange Notes received in exchange for Original Notes where such Original Notes were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that, starting on the date this registration statement is declared effective and ending on the close of business 90 days after such date, we will make this prospectus, as amended or supplemented, available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. In addition, until December 20, 2018 (90 days after the date of this prospectus), all dealers effecting transactions in the Exchange Notes may be required to deliver a prospectus.

We will not receive any proceeds from any sale of Exchange Notes by broker-dealers. Exchange Notes received by broker-dealers for their own account pursuant to the Exchange Offer may be sold from time to time in one or more transactions in the over-the-counter market, in negotiated transactions, through the writing of options on the Exchange Notes or a combination of such methods of resale, at market prices prevailing at the time of resale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices or negotiated prices. Any such resale may be made directly to purchasers or to or through brokers or dealers who may receive compensation in the form of commissions or concessions from any such broker-dealer or the purchasers of any such Exchange Notes. Any broker-dealer that resells Exchange Notes that were received by it for its own account pursuant to the Exchange Offer and any broker or dealer that participates in a distribution of such Exchange Notes and any commissions or concessions received by any such persons may be deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act and any profit of any such resale of Exchange Notes and any commissions or concessions received by any such persons may be deemed to be underwriting compensation under the Securities Act. The letter of transmittal states that by acknowledging that it will deliver and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act.

For a period of 90 days after the date this registration statement is declared effective, we shall promptly send additional copies of this prospectus and any amendment or supplement to this prospectus to any broker-dealer that requests such documents in the letter of transmittal. We have agreed to pay all expenses incident to the Exchange Offer other than commissions or concessions of any brokers or dealers and will indemnify the holders of the Original Notes (including any broker-dealers) against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Verizon Communications Inc. (Verizon Communications) appearing in its Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 1, 2018, for the year ended December 31, 2017, the financial statement schedule of Verizon Communications appearing in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2017, and the effectiveness of Verizon Communications internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017 have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their reports thereon, included or incorporated by reference therein, and incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

LEGAL MATTERS

William L. Horton, Jr., Senior Vice President, Deputy General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Verizon, is passing upon the validity of the Exchange Notes for us. As of August 15, 2018, Mr. Horton beneficially owned 11,832 shares of Verizon common stock.

Verizon Communications Inc.

Offer to Exchange

\$4,251,527,000 aggregate principal amount of

4.329% Notes due 2028

for

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4.329% Notes due 2028

that have been registered under the Securities Act

PROSPECTUS

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Requests for additional copies of this prospectus and the letter of transmittal may be directed to the Exchange Agent at the address or telephone number set forth above. Beneficial owners also may contact their custodian for assistance concerning the Exchange Offer.

September 21, 2018

the correlation will be lower, but if it buys 20,000 Benchmark Futures Contracts and it needs to buy 20,001 contracts then the correlation will be higher. At certain asset levels, USNG may be limited in its ability to purchase the Benchmark Futures Contract or other Futures Contracts due to accountability levels imposed by the relevant exchanges. To the extent that USNG invests in these other Futures Contracts or Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, the correlation with the Benchmark Futures Contract may be lower. If USNG is required to invest in other Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments that are less correlated with the Benchmark Futures Contract, USNG would likely invest in over-the-counter contracts to increase the level of correlation of USNG s assets. Over-the-counter contracts entail certain risks described below under Over-the-Counter Contract Risk.

USNG may not be able to buy the exact number of Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments to have a perfect correlation with the Benchmark Futures Contract if the purchase price of Futures Contracts required to be fully invested in such contracts is higher than the proceeds received for the sale of a Creation Basket on the day the basket was sold. In such case, USNG could not invest the entire proceeds from the purchase of the Creation Basket in such Futures Contracts (for example, assume USNG receives \$4,000,000 for the sale of a Creation Basket and assume that the price of a Futures Contract for natural gas is \$59,950, then USNG could only invest in only 66 Futures Contracts with an aggregate value of \$3,956,700), USNG would be required to invest a percentage of the proceeds in cash, Treasuries or other liquid securities to be deposited as margin with the futures commission merchant through which the contract was purchased. The remainder of the purchase price for the Creation Basket would remain invested in Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents or other liquid securities as determined by the General Partner from time to time based on factors such as potential calls for margin or anticipated redemptions. If the trading market for Futures Contracts is suspended or closed, USNG may not be able to purchase these investments at the last reported price for such investments.

If changes in USNG s NAV do not correlate with changes in the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract, then investing in USNG may not be an effective way to hedge against natural gas-related losses or indirectly invest in natural gas.

The Benchmark Futures Contract may not correlate with the price of natural gas and this could cause the changes in the price of the units to substantially vary from the changes in the spot price of natural gas. If this were to occur, then you may not be able to effectively use USNG as a way to hedge against natural gas-related losses or as a way to indirectly invest in natural gas.

When using the Benchmark Futures Contract as a strategy to track the spot price of natural gas, at best the correlation

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between changes in prices of such Natural Gas Interests and the spot price of natural gas can be only approximate. The degree of imperfection of correlation depends upon circumstances such as variations in the speculative natural gas market, supply of and demand for such Natural Gas Interests and technical influences in futures trading. If there is a weak correlation between the Natural Gas Interests and the spot price of natural gas, then the price of units may not accurately track the spot price of natural gas and you may not be able to effectively use USNG as a way to hedge the risk of losses in your natural gas-related transactions or as a way to indirectly invest in natural gas.

USNG may experience a loss if it is required to sell Treasuries at a price lower than the price at which they were acquired.

The value of Treasuries generally moves inversely with movements in interest rates. If USNG is required to sell Treasuries at a price lower than the price at which they were acquired, USNG will experience a loss. This loss may adversely impact the price of the units and may decrease the correlation between the price of the units, the price of USNG s Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, and the spot price of natural gas.

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USNG may not always be able to liquidate its positions in its investments at the desired price. It is difficult to execute a trade at a specific price when there is a relatively small volume of buy and sell orders in a market. A market disruption, such as a foreign government taking political actions that disrupt the market in its currency, its natural gas production or exports, or in another major export, can also make it difficult to liquidate a position. Alternatively, limits imposed by futures exchanges or other regulatory organizations, such as accountability levels, position limits and price fluctuation limits, may contribute to a lack of liquidity with respect to some commodity interests.

Unexpected market illiquidity may cause major losses to investors at any time or from time to time. In addition, USNG does not intend at this time to establish a credit facility, which would provide an additional source of liquidity and instead will rely only on the Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents that it holds. The anticipated large value of the positions in Futures Contracts that the General Partner will acquire or enter into for USNG increases the risk of illiquidity. Other Natural Gas-Related Investments that USNG invests in, such as negotiated over-the-counter contracts, may have a greater likelihood of being illiquid since they are contracts between two parties that take into account not only market risk, but also the relative credit, tax, and settlement risks under such contracts. Such contracts also have limited transferability that results from such risks and from the contract s express limitations.

Because both Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments may be illiquid, USNG s Natural Gas Interests may be more difficult to liquidate at favorable prices in periods of illiquid markets and losses may be incurred during the period in which positions are being liquidated.

If the nature of hedgers and speculators in futures markets has shifted such that natural gas purchasers are the predominant hedgers in the market, USNG might have to reinvest at higher futures prices or choose Other Natural Gas-Related Investments.

The changing nature of the hedgers and speculators in the natural gas market will influence whether futures prices are above or below the expected future spot price. In order to induce speculators to take the corresponding long side of the same futures contract, natural gas producers must generally be willing to sell futures contracts at prices that are below expected future spot prices. Conversely, if the predominant hedgers in the futures market are the purchasers of the natural gas who purchase futures contracts to hedge against a rise in prices, then speculators will only take the short side of the futures contract if the futures price is greater than the expected future spot price of natural gas. This can have significant implications for USNG when it is time to reinvest the proceeds from a maturing Futures Contract into a new Futures Contract.

While USNG does not intend to take physical delivery of natural gas under its Futures Contracts, physical delivery under such contracts impacts the value of the contracts.

While it is not the current intention of USNG to take physical delivery of natural gas under its Futures Contracts, futures contracts are not required to be cash-settled and it is possible to take delivery under some of these contracts. Storage costs associated with purchasing natural gas could result in costs and other liabilities that could impact the value of Futures Contracts or Other Natural Gas-Related Investments. Storage costs include the time value of money

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invested in natural gas as a physical commodity plus the actual costs of storing the natural gas less any benefits from ownership of natural gas that are not obtained by the holder of a futures contract. In general, Futures Contracts have a one-month delay for contract delivery and the back month (the back month is any future delivery month other than the spot month) includes storage costs. To the extent that these storage costs change for natural gas while USNG holds Futures Contracts or Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, the value of the Futures Contracts or Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, and therefore USNG s NAV, may change as well.

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The price relationship between the near month contract and the next month contract that compose the Benchmark Futures Contract will vary and may impact both the total return over time of USNG s NAV, as well as the degree to which its total return tracks other natural gas price indices total returns.

The design of USNG s Benchmark Futures Contract is such that every month it begins by using the near month contract to expire until the near month contract is within two weeks of expiration, when over a four-day period, it transitions to the next month contract to expire as its benchmark contract and keeps that contract as its benchmark until it becomes the near month contract and close to expiration. In the event of a natural gas futures market where near month contracts trade at a higher price than next month to expire contracts, a situation described as backwardation in the futures market, then absent the impact of the overall movement in natural gas prices the value of the benchmark contract would tend to track higher. Conversely, in the event of a natural gas futures market where near month contracts trade at a lower price than next to near month contracts, a situation described as contango in the futures market, then absent the impact of the overall movement in natural gas futures market where near month contracts trade at a lower price than next to near month contracts, a situation described as contango in the futures market, then absent the impact of the overall movement in natural gas prices the value of the benchmark contract would tend to decline as it approaches expiration. As a result the total return of the Benchmark contract would tend to track higher. Conversely, in the event of a natural gas prices the value of the benchmark contract would tend to decline as it approaches expiration. As a result the total return of the Benchmark rutures Contract would tend to track lower. When compared to total return of USNG s NAV to vary significantly. In the event of a prolonged period of contango, and absent the impact of rising or falling natural gas prices, this could have a significant negative impact on USNG s NAV and total return.

Regulation of the commodity interests and energy markets is extensive and constantly changing; future regulatory developments are impossible to predict but may significantly and adversely affect USNG.

The futures markets are subject to comprehensive statutes, regulations, and margin requirements. In addition, the CFTC and the exchanges are authorized to take extraordinary actions in the event of a market emergency, including, for example, the retroactive implementation of speculative position limits or higher margin requirements, the establishment of daily price limits and the suspension of trading. The regulation of futures transactions in the United States is a rapidly changing area of law and is subject to modification by government and judicial action.

The regulation of commodity interest transactions in the United States is a rapidly changing area of law and is subject to ongoing modification by governmental and judicial action. Considerable regulatory attention has been focused on non-traditional investment pools which are publicly distributed in the United States. There is a possibility of future regulatory changes altering, perhaps to a material extent, the nature of an investment in USNG or the ability of USNG to continue to implement its investment strategy. In addition, various national governments have expressed concern regarding the disruptive effects of speculative trading in the energy markets and the need to regulate the derivatives markets in general. The effect of any future regulatory change on USNG is impossible to predict, but could be substantial and adverse.

If you are investing in USNG for purposes of hedging, you might be subject to several risks including the possibility of losing the benefit of favorable market movement.

Participants in the natural gas or in other industries may use USNG as a vehicle to hedge the risk of losses in their natural gas-related transactions. There are several risks in connection with using USNG as a hedging device. While hedging can provide protection against an adverse movement in market prices, it can also preclude a hedger s opportunity to benefit from a favorable market movement. In a hedging transaction, the hedger may be concerned that the hedged item will increase in price, but must recognize the risk that the price may instead decline and if this happens he will have lost his opportunity to profit from the change in price because the hedging transaction will result in a loss rather than a gain. Thus, the hedger foregoes the opportunity to profit from favorable price movements.

In addition, if the hedge is not a perfect one, the hedger can lose on the hedging transaction and not realize an offsetting gain in the value of the underlying item being hedged.

When using futures contracts as a hedging technique, at best, the correlation between changes in prices of futures contracts and of the items being hedged can be only approximate. The degree of imperfection of correlation depends upon circumstances such as: variations in speculative markets, demand for futures and for

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natural gas products, technical influences in futures trading, and differences between anticipated energy costs being hedged and the instruments underlying the standard futures contracts available for trading. Even a well-conceived hedge may be unsuccessful to some degree because of unexpected market behavior as well as the expenses associated with creating the hedge.

In addition, using an investment in USNG as a hedge for changes in energy costs (*e.g.*, for crude oil, gasoline, or other fuels, or electricity) may not correlate because changes in the price of natural gas futures contracts may vary from changes in energy costs because changes in the price of natural gas may not be at the same rate as changes in the price of other energy products and, in any case, the spot price of natural gas may not reflect the same refining, transportation, and other costs that may impact the hedger s energy costs.

An investment in USNG may provide you little or no diversification benefits. Thus, in a declining market, USNG may have no gains to offset your losses from other investments, and you may suffer losses on your investment in USNG at the same time you incur losses with respect to other asset classes.

Historically, Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments have generally been non-correlated to the performance of other asset classes such as stocks and bonds. Non-correlation means that there is a low statistically valid relationship between the performance of futures and other commodity interest transactions, on the one hand, and stocks or bonds, on the other hand. However, there can be no assurance that such non-correlation will continue during future periods. If, contrary to historic patterns, USNG s performance were to move in the same general direction as the financial markets, you will obtain little or no diversification benefits from an investment in the units. In such a case, USNG may have no gains to offset your losses from other investments, and you may suffer losses on your investment in USNG at the same time you incur losses with respect to other investments.

Variables such as drought, floods, weather, embargoes, tariffs and other political events may have a larger impact on natural gas prices and natural gas-linked instruments, including Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, than on traditional securities. These additional variables may create additional investment risks that subject USNG s investments to greater volatility than investments in traditional securities.

Non-correlation should not be confused with negative correlation, where the performance of two asset classes would be opposite of each other. There is no historic evidence that the spot price of natural gas and prices of other financial assets, such as stocks and bonds, are negatively correlated. In the absence of negative correlation, USNG cannot be expected to be automatically profitable during unfavorable periods for the stock market, or vice versa.

USNG s Operating Risks

USNG is not a registered investment company so you do not have the protections of the Investment Company Act of 1940.

USNG is not an investment company subject to the Investment Company Act of 1940. Accordingly, you do not have the protections afforded by that statute which, for example, requires investment companies to have a majority of disinterested directors and regulates the relationship between the investment company and its investment manager.

The General Partner is leanly staffed and relies heavily on key personnel to manage trading activities.

In managing and directing the day-to-day activities and affairs of USNG, the General Partner relies heavily on Mr. Nicholas Gerber, Mr. John Love and Mr. John Hyland. If Mr. Gerber, Mr. Love, or Mr. Hyland were to leave or be unable to carry out their present responsibilities, it may have an adverse effect on the management of USNG. Furthermore, Mr. Gerber, Mr. Love and Mr. Hyland are currently involved in the management of the Related Public Funds, and the General Partner has filed a registration statement for two other exchange traded security funds, United States 12 Month Natural Gas Fund, LP (US12NG) and United States Short Oil Fund, LP (USSO). Mr. Gerber is also employed by Ameristock Corporation, a registered investment adviser that manages a public mutual fund. It is estimated that Mr. Gerber will spend approximately 50% of his time on USNG and Related Public Fund matters. Mr. Love will spend approximately 100%

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of his time on USNG and Related Public Fund matters and Mr. Hyland will spend approximately 85% of his time on USNG and Related Public Fund matters. To the extent that the General Partner establishes additional funds, even greater demands will be placed on Mr. Gerber, Mr. Love and Mr. Hyland, as well as the other officers of the General Partner, including Mr. Howard Mah, the Chief Financial Officer, and its Board of Directors.

Accountability levels, position limits, and daily price fluctuation limits set by the exchanges have the potential to cause a tracking error, which could cause the price of units to substantially vary from the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract and prevent you from being able to effectively use USNG as a way to hedge against natural gas-related losses or as a way to indirectly invest in natural gas.

U.S. designated contract markets such as the NYMEX have established accountability levels and position limits on the maximum net long or net short futures contracts in commodity interests that any person or group of persons under common trading control (other than as a hedge, which an investment by USNG is not) may hold, own or control. For example, the current accountability level for investments at any one time in natural gas futures contracts (including investments in the Benchmark Futures Contract) is 12,000. While this is not a fixed ceiling, it is a threshold above which the NYMEX may exercise greater scrutiny and control over an investor, including limiting an investor to holding no more than 12,000 natural gas futures contracts. With regard to position limits, the NYMEX limits an investor from holding more than 1,000 net futures in the last 3 days of trading in the near month contract to expire.

In addition to accountability levels and position limits, the NYMEX also sets daily price fluctuation limits on futures contracts. The daily price fluctuation limit establishes the maximum amount that the price of futures contracts may vary either up or down from the previous day s settlement price. Once the daily price fluctuation limit has been reached in a particular futures contract, no trades may be made at a price beyond that limit.

For example, the NYMEX imposes a \$3.00 per mmBtu (\$30,000 per contract) price fluctuation limit for natural gas futures contracts. This limit is initially based off of the previous trading day s settlement price. If any natural gas futures contract is traded, bid, or offered at the limit for five minutes, trading is halted for five minutes. When trading resumes it begins at the point where the limit was imposed and the limit is reset to be \$3.00 per mmBtu in either direction of that point. If another halt were triggered, the market would continue to be expanded by \$3.00 per mmBtu in either direction after each successive five-minute trading halt. There is no maximum price fluctuation limit during any one trading session.

All of these limits may potentially cause a tracking error between the price of the units and the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract. This may in turn prevent you from being able to effectively use USNG as a way to hedge against natural gas-related losses or as a way to indirectly invest in natural gas.

USNG is not limiting the size of the offering and is committed to utilizing substantially all of its proceeds to purchase Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments. If USNG encounters accountability levels, position limits, or price fluctuation limits for natural gas contracts on the NYMEX, it may then, if permitted under applicable regulatory requirements, purchase Futures Contracts on the ICE Futures or other exchanges that trade listed natural gas futures. The Futures Contracts available on the ICE Futures are comparable to the contracts on the NYMEX, but they may have different underlying commodities, sizes, deliveries, and prices. In addition, the natural gas contracts available on the ICE Futures may be subject to accountability levels and position limits.

There are technical and fundamental risks inherent in the trading system the General Partner intends to employ.

The General Partner s trading system is quantitative in nature and it is possible that the General Partner might make a mathematical error. In addition, it is also possible that a computer or software program may malfunction and cause an error in computation.

To the extent that the General Partner uses spreads and straddles as part of its trading strategy, there is the risk that the NAV may not closely track the changes in the Benchmark Futures Contract.

Spreads combine simultaneous long and short positions in related futures contracts that differ by commodity (*e.g.*, long crude oil and short gasoline), by market (long WTI crude futures, short Brent crude futures), or by delivery month (long December, short November). Spreads gain or lose value as a result of relative changes in price between the long and short positions. Spreads often reduce risk to investors, because the contracts tend to move up or down together. However, both legs of the spread could move against an investor simultaneously, in which case the spread would lose value. Certain types of spreads may face unlimited risk, *e.g.*, because the price of a futures contract underlying a short position can increase by an unlimited amount and the investor would have to take delivery or offset at that price.

A commodity straddle takes both long and short option positions in the same commodity in the same market and delivery month simultaneously. The buyer of a straddle profits if either the long or the short leg of the straddle moves further than the combined cost of both options. The seller of a straddle profits if both the long and short positions do not trade beyond a range equal to the combined premium for selling both options.

If the General Partner were to utilize a spread or straddle position and the spread performed differently than expected, the results could impact USNG s tracking error. This could affect USNG s investment objective of having its NAV closely track the changes in the Benchmark Futures Contract. Additionally, a loss on a spread position would negatively impact USNG s absolute return.

USNG and the General Partner may have conflicts of interest, which may permit them to favor their own interests to your detriment.

USNG and the General Partner may have inherent conflicts to the extent the General Partner attempts to maintain USNG s asset size in order to preserve its fee income and this may not always be consistent with USNG s objective of having the value of its unit s NAV track changes in the Benchmark Futures Contract. The General Partner s officers, directors and employees do not devote their time exclusively to USNG. These persons are directors, officers or employees of other entities that may compete with USNG for their services. They could have a conflict between their responsibilities to USNG and to those other entities.

In addition, the General Partner s principals, officers, directors or employees may trade futures and related contracts for their own account. A conflict of interest may exist if their trades are in the same markets and at the same time as USNG trades using the clearing broker to be used by USNG. A potential conflict also may occur if the General Partner s principals, officers, directors or employees trade their accounts more aggressively or take positions in their accounts which are opposite, or ahead of, the positions taken by USNG.

The General Partner has sole current authority to manage the investments and operations of USNG, and this may allow it to act in a way that furthers its own interests which may create a conflict with your best interests. Limited partners have limited voting control, which will limit the ability to influence matters such as amendment of the LP Agreement, change in USNG s basic investment policy, dissolution of this fund, or the sale or distribution of USNG s assets.

The General Partner serves as the general partner to each of USNG and the Related Public Funds and will serve as the

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general partner for USSO and US12NG, if such other funds offer their securities to the public or begin operations. The General Partner may have a conflict to the extent that its trading decisions for USNG may be influenced by the effect they would have on the other funds it manages. These trading decisions may be influenced since the General Partner also serves as the general partner for all of the funds and is required to meet all of the funds investment objectives as well as USNG s. If the General Partner believes that a trading decision it made on behalf of USNG might (i) impede its

other funds from reaching their investment objectives, or (ii) improve the likelihood of meeting its other funds objectives, then the General Partner may choose to change its trading decision for USNG, which could either impede or improve the opportunity for USNG to meet its investment objective. In addition, the General Partner is required to

indemnify the officers and directors of its other funds if the need for indemnification arises. This potential indemnification will cause the General Partner s assets to decrease. If the General Partner s other sources of income are not sufficient to compensate for the indemnification, then the General Partner may terminate and you could lose your investment.

Unitholders may only vote on the removal of the General Partner and limited partners have only limited voting rights. Unitholders and limited partners will not participate in the management of USNG and do not control the General Partner so they will not have influence over basic matters that affect USNG.

Unitholders that have not applied to become limited partners have no voting rights, other than to remove the General Partner. Limited partners will have limited voting rights with respect to USNG s affairs. Unitholders may remove the General Partner only if 66 2/3% of the unitholders elect to do so. Unitholders and limited partners will not be permitted to participate in the management or control of USNG or the conduct of its business. Unitholders and limited partners must therefore rely upon the duties and judgment of the General Partner to manage USNG s affairs.

The General Partner may manage a large amount of assets and this could affect USNG s ability to trade profitably.

Increases in assets under management may affect trading decisions. In general, the General Partner does not intend to limit the amount of assets of USNG that it may manage. The more assets the General Partner manages, the more difficult it may be for it to trade profitably because of the difficulty of trading larger positions without adversely affecting prices and performance and of managing risk associated with larger positions.

USNG could terminate at any time and cause the liquidation and potential loss of your investment and could upset the overall maturity and timing of your investment portfolio.

USNG may terminate at any time, regardless of whether USNG has incurred losses, subject to the terms of the LP Agreement. In particular, unforeseen circumstances, including the death, adjudication of incompetence, bankruptcy, dissolution, withdrawal, or removal of the General Partner could cause USNG to terminate unless a majority in interest of the limited partners within 90 days of the event elects to continue the partnership and appoints a successor general partner or the affirmative vote of a majority interest of the limited partners subject to certain conditions. However, no level of losses will require the General Partner to terminate USNG. USNG s termination would cause the liquidation and potential loss of your investment. Termination could also negatively affect the overall maturity and timing of your investment portfolio.

Limited partners may not have limited liability in certain circumstances, including potentially having liability for the return of wrongful distributions.

Under Delaware law, a limited partner might be held liable for our obligations as if it were a General Partner if the limited partner participates in the control of the partnership s business and the persons who transact business with the partnership think the limited partner is the General Partner.

A limited partner will not be liable for assessments in addition to its initial capital investment in any of our capital securities representing limited partnership interests. However, a limited partner may be required to repay to us any amounts wrongfully returned or distributed to it under some circumstances. Under Delaware law, we may not make a distribution to limited partners if the distribution causes our liabilities (other than liabilities to partners on account of their partnership interests and nonrecourse liabilities) to exceed the fair value of our assets. Delaware law provides that a limited partner who receives such a distribution and knew at the time of the distribution that the distribution

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violated the law will be liable to the limited partnership for the amount of the distribution for three years from the date of the distribution.

With adequate notice, a limited partner may be required to withdraw from the partnership for any reason.

If the General Partner gives at least fifteen (15) days written notice to a limited partner, then the General Partner may for any reason, in its sole discretion, require any such limited partner to withdraw entirely from the partnership or to withdraw a portion of its partner capital account. The General Partner may require withdrawal even in situations where the limited partner has completely with the provisions of the LP Agreement.

USNG s existing units are, and any units USNG issues in the future will be, subject to restrictions on transfer. Failure to satisfy these requirements will preclude you from being able to have all the rights of a limited partner.

No transfer of any unit or interest therein may be made if such transfer would (a) violate the then applicable federal or state securities laws or rules and regulations of the SEC, any state securities commission, the CFTC or any other governmental authority with jurisdiction over such transfer, or (b) cause USNG to be taxable as a corporation or affect USNG s existence or qualification as a limited partnership. In addition, investors may only become limited partners if they transfer their units to purchasers that meet certain conditions outlined in the LP Agreement, which provides that each record holder or limited partner or unitholder applying to become a limited partner (each a record holder) may be required by the General Partner to furnish certain information, including that holder s nationality, citizenship or other related status. A transferee who is not a U.S. resident may not be eligible to become a record holder or a limited partner if its ownership would subject USNG to the risk of cancellation or forfeiture of any of its assets under any federal, state or local law or regulation. All purchasers of USNG s units, who wish to become limited partners or record holders, and receive cash distributions, if any, or have certain other rights, must deliver an executed transfer application in which the purchaser or transferee must certify that, among other things, he, she or it agrees to be bound by USNG s LP Agreement and is eligible to purchase USNG s securities. Any transfer of units will not be recorded by the transfer agent or recognized by us unless a completed transfer application is delivered to the General Partner or the Administrator. A person purchasing USNG s existing units, who does not execute a transfer application and certify that the purchaser is eligible to purchase those securities acquires no rights in those securities other than the right to resell those securities. Whether or not a transfer application is received or the consent of the General Partner obtained, our units will be securities and will be transferable according to the laws governing transfers of securities. See Transfer of Units.

USNG does not expect to make cash distributions.

The General Partner has not previously made any cash distributions and intends to re-invest any realized gains in Natural Gas Interests rather than distributing cash to limited partners. Therefore, unlike mutual funds, commodity pools or other investment pools that actively manage their investments in an attempt to realize income and gains from their investing activities and distribute such income and gains to their investors, USNG generally does not expect to distribute cash to limited partners. You should not invest in USNG if you will need cash distributions from USNG to pay taxes on your share of income and gains of USNG, if any, or for any other reason. Although USNG does not intend to make cash distributions, the income earned from its investments held directly or posted as margin may reach levels that merit distribution, e.g., at levels where such income is not necessary to support its underlying investments in Natural Gas Interests and investors adversely react to being taxed on such income without receiving distributions that could be used to pay such tax. If this income becomes significant then cash distributions may be made.

There is a risk that USNG will not earn trading gains sufficient to compensate for the fees and expenses that it must pay and as such USNG may not earn any profit.

USNG pays brokerage charges of approximately 0.14% (based on futures commission merchant fees of \$3.50 per buy or sell), management fees of 0.60% of NAV on the first \$1,000,000,000 of assets and 0.50% of NAV after the first \$1,000,000,000 of assets, and over-the-counter spreads and extraordinary expenses (e.g., subsequent offering expenses, other expenses not in the ordinary course of business, including the indemnification of any person against liabilities and obligations to the extent permitted by law and required under the LP Agreement and under agreements

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entered into by the General Partner on USNG s behalf and the bringing and defending of actions at law or in equity and otherwise engaging in the conduct of litigation and the incurring of legal expenses and the settlement of claims and litigation) that can not be quantified. These fees and expenses must be paid in all cases regardless of whether USNG s activities are profitable. Accordingly, USNG must earn trading gains sufficient to compensate for these fees and expenses before it can earn any profit.

USNG, historically, has depended upon its affiliates to pay all its expenses. If this offering of units does not raise sufficient funds to pay USNG s future expenses and no other source of funding of expenses is found, USNG may be forced to terminate and investors may lose all or part of their investment.

Prior to the offering of units that commenced on April 17, 2007, all of USNG s expenses were funded by the General Partner and its affiliates. These payments by the General Partner and its affiliates were designed to allow USNG the ability to commence the public offering of its units. USNG now directly pays certain of these fees and expenses. The General Partner will continue to pay other fees and expenses, as set forth in the LP Agreement. If the General Partner and USNG are unable to raise sufficient funds to cover their expenses or locate any other source of funding, USNG may be forced to terminate and investors may lose all or part of their investment.

USNG may incur higher fees and expenses upon renewing existing or entering into new contractual relationships.

The clearing arrangements between the clearing brokers and USNG generally are terminable by the clearing brokers once the clearing broker has given USNG notice. Upon termination, the General Partner may be required to renegotiate or make other arrangements for obtaining similar services if USNG intends to continue trading in Futures Contracts or Other Natural Gas-Related Investments at its present level of capacity. The services of any clearing broker may not be available, or even if available, these services may not be available on the terms as favorable as those of the expired or terminated clearing arrangements.

USNG may miss certain trading opportunities because it will not receive the benefit of the expertise of independent trading advisors.

The General Partner does not employ trading advisors for USNG; however, it reserves the right to employ them in the future. The only advisor to USNG is the General Partner. A lack of independent trading advisors may be disadvantageous to USNG because it will not receive the benefit of a trading advisor s expertise.

An unanticipated number of redemption requests during a short period of time could have an adverse effect on the NAV of USNG.

If a substantial number of requests for redemption of Redemption Baskets are received by USNG during a relatively short period of time, USNG may not be able to satisfy the requests from USNG s assets not committed to trading. As a consequence, it could be necessary to liquidate positions in USNG s trading positions before the time that the trading strategies would otherwise dictate liquidation.

The financial markets are currently in a period of disruption and recession and USNG does not expect these conditions to improve in the near future.

Currently and throughout 2008, the financial markets have experienced very difficult conditions and volatility as well as significant adverse trends. The deteriorating conditions in these markets have resulted in a decrease in availability of corporate credit and liquidity and have led indirectly to the insolvency, closure or acquisition of a number of major financial institutions and have contributed to further consolidation within the financial services industry. A continued

recession or a depression could adversely affect the financial condition and results of operations of USNG s service providers and Authorized Purchasers which would impact the ability of the General Partner to achieve USNG s investment objective.

The failure or bankruptcy of a clearing broker could result in a substantial loss of USNG s assets; the clearing broker could be subject to proceedings that impair its ability to execute USNG s trades.

Under CFTC regulations, a clearing broker maintains customers assets in a bulk segregated account. If a clearing broker fails to do so, or is unable to satisfy a substantial deficit in a customer account, its other customers may be subject to risk of a substantial loss of their funds in the event of that clearing broker s bankruptcy. In that event, the clearing broker s customers, such as USNG, are entitled to recover, even in respect of property specifically traceable to them, only a proportional share of all property available for distribution to all of that clearing broker s customers. The bankruptcy of a clearing broker could result in the

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complete loss of USNG s assets posted with the clearing broker; though, the vast majority of USNG s assets are held in Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents with USNG s custodian and would not be impacted by the bankruptcy of a clearing broker. USNG also may be subject to the risk of the failure of, or delay in performance by, any exchanges and markets and their clearing organizations, if any, on which commodity interest contracts are traded.

From time to time, the clearing brokers may be subject to legal or regulatory proceedings in the ordinary course of their business. A clearing broker s involvement in costly or time-consuming legal proceedings may divert financial resources or personnel away from the clearing broker s trading operations, which could impair the clearing broker s ability to successfully execute and clear USNG s trades.

The failure or insolvency of USNG s custodian could result in a substantial loss of USNG s assets.

As noted above, the vast majority of USNG s assets are held in Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents with USNG s custodian. The insolvency of the custodian could result in a complete loss of USNG s assets held by that custodian, which, at any given time, would likely comprise a substantial portion of USNG's total assets.

Third parties may infringe upon or otherwise violate intellectual property rights or assert that the General Partner has infringed or otherwise violated their intellectual property rights, which may result in significant costs and diverted attention.

Third parties may utilize USNG s intellectual property or technology, including the use of its business methods, trademarks and trading program software, without permission. The General Partner has a patent pending for USNG s business method and it is registering its trademarks. USNG does not currently have any proprietary software. However, if it obtains proprietary software in the future, then any unauthorized use of USNG s proprietary software and other technology could also adversely affect its competitive advantage. USNG may have difficulty monitoring unauthorized uses of its patents, trademarks, proprietary software and other technology. Also, third parties may independently develop business methods, trademarks or proprietary software and other technology similar to that of the General Partner or claim that the General Partner has violated their intellectual property rights, including their copyrights, trademark rights, trade names, trade secrets and patent rights. As a result, the General Partner may have to litigate in the future to protect its trade secrets, determine the validity and scope of other parties proprietary rights, defend itself against claims that it has infringed or otherwise violated other parties rights, or defend itself against claims that its rights are invalid. Any litigation of this type, even if the General Partner is successful and regardless of the merits, may result in significant costs, divert its resources from USNG, or require it to change its proprietary software and other technology or enter into royalty or licensing agreements.

The success of USNG depends on the ability of the General Partner to accurately implement trading systems, and any failure to do so could subject USNG to losses on such transactions.

The General Partner uses mathematical formulas built into a generally available spreadsheet program to decide whether it should buy or sell Natural Gas Interests each day. Specifically, the General Partner uses the spreadsheet to make mathematical calculations and to monitor positions in Natural Gas Interests and Treasuries and correlations to the Benchmark Futures Contract. The General Partner must accurately process the spreadsheets outputs and execute

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the transactions called for by the formulas. In addition, USNG relies on the General Partner to properly operate and maintain its computer and communications systems. Execution of the formulas and operation of the systems are subject to human error. Any failure, inaccuracy or delay in implementing any of the formulas or systems and executing USNG s transactions could impair its ability to achieve USNG s investment objective. It could also result in decisions to undertake transactions based on inaccurate or incomplete information. This could cause substantial losses on transactions.

USNG may experience substantial losses on transactions if the computer or communications system fails.

USNG s trading activities, including its risk management, depend on the integrity and performance of the computer and communications systems supporting them. Extraordinary transaction volume, hardware or software failure, power or telecommunications failure, a natural disaster or other catastrophe could cause the

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computer systems to operate at an unacceptably slow speed or even fail. Any significant degradation or failure of the systems that the General Partner uses to gather and analyze information, enter orders, process data, monitor risk levels and otherwise engage in trading activities may result in substantial losses on transactions, liability to other parties, lost profit opportunities, damages to the General Partner s and USNG s reputations, increased operational expenses and diversion of technical resources.

If the computer and communications systems are not upgraded, USNG s financial condition could be harmed.

The development of complex computer and communications systems and new technologies may render the existing computer and communications systems supporting USNG s trading activities obsolete. In addition, these computer and communications systems must be compatible with those of third parties, such as the systems of exchanges, clearing brokers and the executing brokers. As a result, if these third parties upgrade their systems, the General Partner will need to make corresponding upgrades to continue effectively its trading activities. USNG s future success will depend on USNG s ability to respond to changing technologies on a timely and cost-effective basis.

USNG depends on the reliable performance of the computer and communications systems of third parties, such as brokers and futures exchanges, and may experience substantial losses on transactions if they fail.

USNG depends on the proper and timely function of complex computer and communications systems maintained and operated by the futures exchanges, brokers and other data providers that the General Partner uses to conduct trading activities. Failure or inadequate performance of any of these systems could adversely affect the General Partner s ability to complete transactions, including its ability to close out positions, and result in lost profit opportunities and significant losses on commodity interest transactions. This could have a material adverse effect on revenues and materially reduce USNG s available capital. For example, unavailability of price quotations from third parties may make it difficult or impossible for the General Partner to use its proprietary software that it relies upon to conduct its trading activities. Unavailability of records from brokerage firms may make it difficult or impossible for the General Partner to accurately determine which transactions have been executed or the details, including price and time, of any transaction executed. This unavailability of information also may make it difficult or impossible for the General Partner to reconcile its records of transactions with those of another party or to accomplish settlement of executed transactions.

The occurrence of a terrorist attack, or the outbreak, continuation or expansion of war or other hostilities could disrupt USNG s trading activity and materially affect USNG s profitability.

The operations of USNG, the exchanges, brokers and counterparties with which USNG does business, and the markets in which USNG does business could be severely disrupted in the event of a major terrorist attack or the outbreak, continuation or expansion of war or other hostilities. The terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 and the war in Iraq, global anti-terrorism initiatives and political unrest in the Middle East and Southeast Asia continue to fuel this concern.

Risk of Leverage and Volatility

If the General Partner permits USNG to become leveraged, you could lose all or substantially all of your investment if USNG s trading positions suddenly turn unprofitable.

Commodity pools trading positions in futures contracts or other commodity interests are typically required to be secured by the deposit of margin funds that represent only a small percentage of a futures contract s (or other commodity interests) entire market value. This feature permits commodity pools to leverage their assets by purchasing or selling futures contracts (or other commodity interests) with an aggregate value in excess of the commodity pool s assets. While this leverage can increase the pool s profits, relatively small adverse movements in the price of the pool s futures contracts can cause significant losses to the pool. While the General Partner has not and does not intend to leverage USNG s assets, it is not prohibited from doing so under the LP Agreement or otherwise.

The price of natural gas is volatile which could cause large fluctuations in the price of units.

Movements in the price of natural gas may be the result of factors outside of the General Partner s control and may not be anticipated by the General Partner. Among the factors that can cause volatility in the price of natural gas are:

worldwide or regional demand for energy, which is affected by economic conditions; the domestic and foreign supply and inventories of oil and gas;

weather conditions, including abnormally mild winter or summer weather, and abnormally harsh winter or summer weather;

availability and adequacy of pipeline and other transportation facilities;

domestic and foreign governmental regulations and taxes;

political conditions in gas or oil producing regions;

the ability of members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to agree upon and maintain oil prices and production levels;

the price and availability of alternative fuels; and

the impact of energy conservation efforts.

Since USNG s commencement of operations on April 18, 2007, there has been tremendous volatility in the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract. For example, the price of the NYMEX futures contract on natural gas rose to a high of \$13.69 on July 3, 2008 and dropped to a low of \$3.25 on April 27, 2009. The General Partner anticipates that there will be continued volatility in the price of the NYMEX futures contract for natural gas and futures contracts for other petroleum-based commodities. Consequently, investors should know that this volatility can lead to a loss of all or substantially all of their investment in USNG.

The impact of environmental and other governmental laws and regulations may affect the price of natural gas.

Environmental and other governmental laws and regulations have increased the costs to plan, design, drill, install, operate and abandon natural gas and oil wells. Other laws have prevented exploration and drilling of natural gas in certain environmentally sensitive federal lands and waters. Several environmental laws that have a direct or an indirect impact on the price of natural gas include, but are not limited to, the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980.

The limited method for transporting and storing natural gas may cause the price of natural gas to increase.

Natural gas is primarily transported and stored throughout the United States by way of pipeline and underground storage facilities. These systems may not be adequate to meet demand, especially in times of peak demand or in areas of the United States where gas service is already limited due to minimal pipeline and storage infrastructure. As a result of the limited method for transporting and storing natural gas, the price of natural gas may increase.

Over-the-Counter Contract Risk

Over-the-counter transactions are subject to little, if any, regulation.

A portion of USNG s assets may be used to trade over-the-counter natural gas interest contracts, such as forward contracts or swap or spot contracts. Over-the-counter contracts are typically traded on a principal-to-principal basis through dealer markets that are dominated by major money center and investment banks and other institutions and are essentially unregulated by the CFTC. You therefore do not receive the protection of CFTC regulation or the statutory scheme of the Commodity Exchange Act in connection with this trading activity by USNG. The markets for over-the-counter contracts rely upon the integrity of market participants in lieu of the additional regulation imposed by the CFTC on participants in the futures markets. The lack of regulation in these markets could expose USNG in certain circumstances to significant losses in the event of trading abuses or financial failure by participants.

USNG will be subject to credit risk with respect to counterparties to over-the-counter contracts entered into by USNG or held by special purpose or structured vehicles.

USNG also faces the risk of non-performance by the counterparties to the over-the-counter contracts. Unlike in futures contracts, the counterparty to these contracts is generally a single bank or other financial institution, rather than a clearing organization backed by a group of financial institutions. As a result, there will be greater counterparty credit risk in these transactions. A counterparty may not be able to meet its obligations to USNG, in which case USNG could suffer significant losses on these contracts.

If a counterparty becomes bankrupt or otherwise fails to perform its obligations due to financial difficulties, USNG may experience significant delays in obtaining any recovery in a bankruptcy or other reorganization proceeding. USNG may obtain only limited recovery or may obtain no recovery in such circumstances.

USNG may be subject to liquidity risk with respect to its over-the-counter contracts.

Over-the-counter contracts may have terms that make them less marketable than Futures Contracts. Over-the-counter contracts are less marketable because they are not traded on an exchange, do not have uniform terms and conditions, and are entered into based upon the creditworthiness of the parties and the availability of credit support, such as collateral, and in general, they are not transferable without the consent of the counterparty. These conditions diminish the ability to realize the full value of such contracts.

Risk of Trading in International Markets

Trading in international markets would expose USNG to credit and regulatory risk.

The General Partner invests primarily in Futures Contracts, a significant portion of which will be on United States exchanges including the NYMEX. However, a portion of USNG s trades may take place on markets and exchanges outside the United States. Some non-U.S. markets present risks because they are not subject to the same degree of regulation as their U.S. counterparts. None of the CFTC, NFA, or any domestic exchange regulates activities of any foreign boards of trade or exchanges, including the execution, delivery and clearing of transactions, nor has the power to compel enforcement of the rules of a foreign board of trade or exchange or of any applicable non-U.S. laws. Similarly, the rights of market participants, such as USNG, in the event of the insolvency or bankruptcy of a non-U.S. markets, USNG has less legal and regulatory protection than it does when it trades domestically.

In some of these non-U.S. markets, the performance on a contract is the responsibility of the counterparty and is not backed by an exchange or clearing corporation and therefore exposes USNG to credit risk. Trading in non-U.S. markets also leaves USNG susceptible to swings in the value of the local currency against the U.S. dollar. Additionally, trading on non-U.S. exchanges is subject to the risks presented by exchange controls, expropriation, increased tax burdens and exposure to local economic declines and political instability. An adverse development with respect to any of these variables could reduce the profit or increase the loss earned on trades in the affected international markets.

International trading activities subject USNG to foreign exchange risk.

The price of any non-U.S. Futures Contract, option on any non-U.S. Futures Contract or other non- U.S. Natural Gas-Related Investment, and, therefore, the potential profit and loss on such contract, may be affected by any variance in the foreign exchange rate between the time the order is placed and the time it is liquidated, offset or exercised. As a result, changes in the value of the local currency relative to the U.S. dollar may cause losses to USNG even if the contract traded is profitable.

USNG s international trading could expose it to losses resulting from non-U.S. exchanges that are less developed or less reliable than United States exchanges.

Some non-U.S. exchanges also may be in a more developmental stage so that prior price histories may not be indicative of current price dynamics. In addition, USNG may not have the same access to certain positions on foreign trading exchanges as do local traders, and the historical market data on which the General Partner bases its strategies may not be as reliable or accessible as it is for U.S. exchanges.

Tax Risk

Please refer to U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations for information regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of units.

Your tax liability may exceed the amount of distributions, if any, on your units.

Cash or property will be distributed at the sole discretion of the General Partner. The General Partner has not and does not intend to make cash or other distributions with respect to units. You will be required to pay U.S. federal income tax and, in some cases, state, local, or foreign income tax, on your allocable share of USNG s taxable income, without regard to whether you receive distributions or the amount of any distributions. Therefore, your tax liability with respect to your units may exceed the amount of cash or value of property (if any) distributed.

Your allocable share of taxable income or loss may differ from your economic income or loss on your units.

Due to the application of the assumptions and conventions applied by USNG in making allocations for tax purposes and other factors, your allocable share of USNG s income, gain, deduction or loss may be different than your economic profit or loss from your units for a taxable year. This difference could be temporary or permanent and, if permanent, could result in your being taxed on amounts in excess of your economic income.

Items of income, gain, deduction, loss and credit with respect to units could be reallocated if the IRS does not accept the assumptions and conventions applied by USNG in allocating those items, with potential adverse consequences for you.

The U.S. tax rules pertaining to partnerships are complex and their application to large, publicly traded partnerships such as USNG is in many respects uncertain. USNG will apply certain assumptions and conventions in an attempt to comply with the intent of the applicable rules and to report taxable income, gains, deductions, losses and credits in a manner that properly reflects unitholders economic gains and losses. These assumptions and conventions may not fully comply with all aspects of the Internal Revenue Code (Code) and applicable Treasury Regulations, however, and it is possible that the U.S. Internal Revenue Service will successfully challenge our allocation methods and require us to reallocate items of income, gain, deduction, loss or credit in a manner that adversely affects you. If this occurs, you may be required to file an amended tax return and to pay additional taxes plus deficiency interest.

We could be treated as a corporation for federal income tax purposes, which may substantially reduce the value of your units.

USNG has received an opinion of counsel that, under current U.S. federal income tax laws, USNG will be treated as a partnership that is not taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, provided that (i) at least 90 percent of USNG s annual gross income consists of qualifying income as defined in the Code, (ii) USNG is organized and operated in accordance with its governing agreements and applicable law and (iii) USNG does not elect to be taxed as a corporation for federal income tax purposes. Although the General Partner anticipates that USNG has satisfied and will continue to satisfy the qualifying income requirement for all of its taxable years, that result cannot

be assured. USNG has not requested and will not request any ruling from the IRS with respect to its classification as a partnership not taxable as a corporation for federal income tax purposes. If the IRS were to successfully assert that USNG is taxable as a corporation for federal income tax purposes in any taxable year, rather than passing through its income, gains, losses and deductions proportionately to unitholders, USNG would be subject to tax on its net income for the year at corporate tax rates. In addition, although the General Partner does not currently intend to make distributions with respect to units, any distributions would be taxable to unitholders as dividend income. Taxation of USNG as a corporation could materially reduce the after-tax return on an investment in units and could substantially reduce the value of your units.

PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE STRONGLY URGED TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS WITH RESPECT TO THE POSSIBLE TAX CONSEQUENCES TO THEM OF AN INVESTMENT IN UNITS; SUCH TAX CONSEQUENCES MAY DIFFER IN RESPECT OF DIFFERENT INVESTORS.

THE OFFERING

What is USNG?

USNG is a Delaware limited partnership organized on September 11, 2006. USNG maintains its main business office at 1320 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 145, Alameda, California 94502. USNG is a commodity pool. It operates pursuant to the terms of the LP Agreement, which grants full management control to the General Partner. USNG is a publicly traded limited partnership which seeks to have the changes in percentage terms of its units NAV track the changes in percentage terms of the price of natural gas delivered at the Henry Hub, Louisiana, as measured by the changes in the futures contract for natural gas traded on the NYMEX, less USNG s expenses. USNG invests in a mixture of listed natural gas futures contracts, other non-listed natural gas related investments, Treasuries, cash and cash equivalents. USNG began trading on the American Stock Exchange on April 18, 2007. As of March 31, 2009, USNG had total net assets of \$819,361,217 and had outstanding units of 53.8 million.

Who is the General Partner?

Our sole General Partner is United States Commodity Funds LLC, a single member limited liability company that was formed in the state of Delaware on May 10, 2005. Prior to June 13, 2008, the General Partner was known as Victoria Bay Asset Management, LLC. It maintains its main business office at 1320 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 145, Alameda, California 94502. The General Partner is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Wainwright Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation (Wainwright). Mr. Nicholas Gerber (discussed below) controls Wainwright by virtue of his ownership of Wainwright s shares. Wainwright is a holding company that also owns an insurance company organized under Bermuda law (currently being liquidated) and a registered investment adviser firm named Ameristock Corporation. The General Partner is a member of the NFA and is registered with the CFTC as of December 1, 2005. The General Partner s registration as a CPO with the NFA was approved on December 1, 2005.

The General Partner also manages the Related Public Funds. USOF is a commodity pool and issues units traded on the NYSE Arca. The investment objective of USOF is for the changes in percentage terms of its units NAV to reflect the changes in percentage terms in the spot price of light, sweet crude oil delivered to Cushing, Oklahoma, as measured by the changes in the futures contract for light, sweet crude oil traded on the NYMEX. USOF may invest in a mixture of listed crude oil futures contracts, other non-listed oil related investments, Treasuries, cash and cash equivalents. USOF began trading on April 10, 2006. As of March 31, 2009, USOF had total net assets of \$2,912,849,108 and had outstanding units of 99.2 million. USOF employs an investment strategy in its operations that is similar to the investment strategy of USNG, except that its benchmark is the near month contract for light, sweet crude oil delivered to Cushing, Oklahoma.

US12OF is a commodity pool and issues units traded on the NYSE Arca. The investment objective of US12OF is for the changes in percentage terms of its units NAV to reflect the changes in percentage terms of the price of light, sweet crude oil delivered to Cushing, Oklahoma, as measured by the changes in the average of the prices of 12 futures contracts on light, sweet crude oil traded on the NYMEX less US12OF s expenses. US12OF began trading on December 6, 2007. As of March 31, 2009, US12OF had total net assets of \$148,545,204 and had outstanding units of 4.9 million. US12OF employs an investment strategy in its operations that is similar to the investment strategy of USNG, except that its benchmark is the average of the prices of the near month contract to expire and the following eleven months contracts for light, sweet crude oil delivered to Cushing, Oklahoma.

UGA is a commodity pool and issues units traded on the NYSE Arca. The investment objective of UGA is for the changes in percentage terms of its units NAV to reflect the changes in percentage terms of the price of unleaded gasoline delivered to the New York harbor, as measured by the changes in the price of the futures contract on gasoline traded on the NYMEX, less UGA s expenses. UGA invests in a mixture of listed gasoline futures contracts, other non-listed gasoline related investments, Treasuries, cash and cash equivalents. UGA began trading on February 26, 2008. As of March 31, 2009, UGA had total net assets of \$65,239,661 and had outstanding units of 2.7 million. UGA employs an investment strategy in its operations that is similar to the investment strategy of USNG, except that its benchmark is the near month contract for unleaded gasoline delivered at the New York harbor.

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USHO is a commodity pool and issues units traded on the NYSE Arca. The investment objective of UGA is for the changes in percentage terms of its units NAV to reflect the changes in percentage terms of the price of heating oil (also known as No. 2 fuel oil) delivered to the New York harbor, as measured by the changes in the price of the futures contract on heating oil traded on the NYMEX, less USHO s expenses. USHO invests in a mixture of listed heating oil futures contracts, other non-listed heating oil-related investments, Treasuries, cash and cash equivalents. USHO began trading on April 9, 2008. As of March 31, 2009, USHO had total net assets of \$6,231,425 and had outstanding units of 300,000. USHO employs an investment strategy in its operations that is similar to the investment strategy of USNG, except that its benchmark is the near month contract for heating oil delivered to the New York harbor.

The General Partner is currently in the process of registering the units of two other exchange traded commodity pools, US12NG and USSO. USSO will be a publicly traded limited partnership which seeks to have the changes in percentage terms of its units NAV inversely reflect the changes in percentage terms of the spot price of light, sweet, crude oil delivered to Cushing, Oklahoma, as measured by the changes in the price of the futures contract on light, sweet crude oil traded on the NYMEX, less USSO s expenses. US12NG will be a publicly traded limited partnership which will seek to have the changes in percentage terms of its units NAV track the changes in percentage terms of the price of natural gas delivered at the Henry Hub, Louisiana, as measured by the changes in the average of the prices of 12 futures contracts on natural gas traded on the NYMEX, less US12NG s expenses. US12NG will invest in a mixture of listed natural gas futures contracts, other non-listed natural gas-related investments, Treasuries, cash and cash equivalents. US12NG will employ an investment strategy in its operations that is similar to the investment strategy of USNG, except that its benchmark is average of the prices of the near month contract to expire and the following eleven months contracts for natural gas delivered at the Henry Hub, Louisiana. USSO and US12NG have not offered securities to the public or commenced operations.

The General Partner is required to evaluate the credit risk of USNG to the futures commission merchant, oversee the purchase and sale of USNG s units by certain Authorized Purchasers, review daily positions and margin requirements of USNG, and manage USNG s investments. The General Partner also pays the fees of the Marketing Agent, the Administrator, and the Custodian.

Limited partners have no right to elect the General Partner on an annual or any other continuing basis. If the General Partner voluntarily withdraws, however, the holders of a majority of USNG s outstanding units (excluding for purposes of such determination units owned, if any, by the withdrawing General Partner and its affiliates) may elect its successor. The General Partner may not be removed as general partner except upon approval by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 66 2/3 percent of USNG s outstanding units (excluding units owned, if any, by the General Partner and its affiliates), subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions set forth in the LP Agreement.

The business and affairs of our General Partner are managed by a board of directors, which is comprised of four management directors some of whom are also its executive officers (the Management Directors) and three independent directors who meet the independent director requirements established by the NYSE Arca and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Management Directors have the authority to manage the General Partner pursuant to its Limited Liability Company Agreement. Through its Management Directors, the General Partner manages the day-to-day operations of USNG. The board of directors has an audit committee which is made up of the three independent directors (Peter M. Robinson, Gordon L. Ellis, and Malcolm R. Fobes III). The audit committee is governed by an audit committee charter that is posted on USNG s website. Gordon L. Ellis and Malcolm R. Fobes III meet the financial sophistication requirements of the NYSE Arca and the audit committee charter.

Mr. Nicholas Gerber and Mr. Howard Mah serve as executive officers of the General Partner. USNG has no executive officers. Its affairs are generally managed by the General Partner. The following individuals serve as Management

Directors of the General Partner.

Nicholas Gerber has been the President and CEO of the General Partner since June 9, 2005 and a Management Director of the General Partner since May 10, 2005. He maintains his main business office at 1320 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 145, Alameda, California 94502. Mr. Gerber has acted as a portfolio manager for USNG and the Related Public Funds since April 2006. Mr. Gerber will act as a portfolio manager for

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USSO and US12NG. He has been listed with the CFTC as a Principal of the General Partner since November 29, 2005, and registered with the CFTC as an Associated Person of the General Partner on December 1, 2005. Currently, Mr. Gerber manages USNG and the Related Public Funds. He will also manage USSO and US12NG. Mr. Gerber has also served as Vice President/Chief Investment Officer of Lyon s Gate Reinsurance Company, Ltd. since June of 2003. Mr. Gerber has an extensive background in securities portfolio management and in developing investment funds that make use of indexing and futures contracts. He is also the founder of Ameristock Corporation, a California-based investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, that has been sponsoring and providing portfolio management services to mutual funds since March 1995. Since August 1995, Mr. Gerber has been the portfolio manager of the Ameristock Mutual Fund, Inc. a mutual fund registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, focused on large cap U.S. equities that as of March 31, 2009, had approximately \$162 million in assets. He has also been a Trustee for the Ameristock ETF Trust since June 2006, and served as a portfolio manager for the Ameristock/Ryan 1 Year, 2 Year, 5 Year, 10 Year and 20 Year Treasury ETF from June 2007 to June 2008 when such funds were liquidated. In these roles, Mr. Gerber has gained extensive experience in evaluating and retaining third-party service providers, including custodians, accountants, transfer agents, and distributors. Mr. Gerber has passed the Series 3 examination for associated persons. He holds an MBA in finance from the University of San Francisco and a BA from Skidmore College. Mr. Gerber is 46 years old.

Howard Mah has been a Management Director of the General Partner since May 10, 2005, Secretary of the General Partner since June 9, 2005, and Chief Financial Officer of the General Partner since May 23, 2006. He has been listed with the CFTC as a Principal of the General Partner since November 29, 2005. In these roles, Mr. Mah is currently involved in the management of USNG and the Related Public Funds and will be involved in the management of USSO and US12NG. Mr. Mah also serves as the General Partner s Chief Compliance Officer. He received a Bachelor of Education from the University of Alberta, in 1986 and an MBA from the University of San Francisco in 1988. He has been Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer of the Ameristock ETF Trust since February 2007, Chief Compliance Officer of Ameristock Corporation since January 2001; a tax & finance consultant in private practice since January 1995, Secretary of Ameristock Mutual Fund since June 1995 and Ameristock Focused Value Fund from December 2000 to January 2005; Chief Compliance Officer of Ameristock Mutual Fund since August 2004 and the Co-Portfolio Manager of the Ameristock Focused Value Fund from December 2000 to January 2005. Mr. Mah is 44 years old.

Andrew F. Ngim has been a Management Director of the General Partner since May 10, 2005 and Treasurer of the General Partner since June 9, 2005. He has been listed with the CFTC as a Principal of the General Partner since November 29, 2005. As Treasurer of the General Partner, Mr. Ngim is currently involved in the management of USNG and the Related Public Funds and will be involved in the management of USSO and US12NG. He received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of California at Berkeley in 1983. Mr. Ngim has been Ameristock Corporation s Managing Director since January 1999 and co-portfolio manager of Ameristock Corporation since January 2000, Trustee of the Ameristock ETF Trust since February 2007, and served as a portfolio manager for the Ameristock/Ryan 1 Year, 2 Year, 5 Year, 10 Year and 20 Year Treasury ETF from June 2007 to June 2008 when such funds were liquidated. Mr. Ngim is 48 years old.

Robert L. Nguyen has been a Management Director of the General Partner since May 10, 2005. He has been listed with the CFTC as a Principal of the General Partner since November 29, 2005 and registered with the CFTC as an Associated Person since November 9, 2007. As a Management Director of the General Partner, Mr. Nguyen is currently involved in the management of USNG and the Related Public Funds and will be involved in the management of USSO and US12NG. He received a Bachelor of Science from California State University Sacramento in 1981. Mr. Nguyen has been the Managing Principal of Ameristock Corporation since January 2000. Mr. Nguyen is 49 years old.

The following individuals provide significant services to USNG but are employed by the entities noted below.

John P. Love has acted as the Portfolio Operations Manager for USNG and the Related Public Funds since January 2006. Mr. Love is also employed by the General Partner. He has been listed with the CFTC as a Principal of the General Partner since January 17, 2006. Mr. Love has served as the operations manager of

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Ameristock Corporation from October 2002 to January 2007, where he was responsible for back office and marketing activities for the Ameristock Mutual Fund and Ameristock Focused Value Fund and for the firm in general. Mr. Love holds a Series 3 license and was registered with the CFTC as an Associated Person of the General Partner from December 1, 2005 through April 16, 2009. He holds a BFA in cinema-television from the University of Southern California. Mr. Love is 37 years old.

John T. Hyland, CFA acts as a Portfolio Manager and as the Chief Investment Officer for the General Partner. Mr. Hyland is employed by the General Partner. He registered with the CFTC as an Associated Person of the General Partner on December 1, 2005, and has been listed as a Principal of the General Partner since January 17, 2006. Mr. Hyland became the Portfolio Manager for USOF, USNG, US12OF, UGA and USHO in April 2006, April 2007, December 2007, February 2008 and April 2008, respectively, and as Chief Investment Officer of the General Partner since January 2008, acts in such capacity on behalf of USNG and the Related Public Funds. He is also expected to become the Portfolio Manager for USSO and US12NG. As part of his responsibilities for USNG and the Related Public Funds, Mr. Hyland handles day-to-day trading, helps set investment policies, and oversees USNG and the Related Public Funds activities with their futures commission brokers, custodian-administrator, and marketing agent. Mr. Hyland has an extensive background in portfolio management and research with both equity and fixed income securities, as well as in the development of new types of complex investment funds. In July 2001, Mr. Hyland founded Towerhouse Capital Management, LLC, a firm that provides portfolio management and new fund development expertise to non-U.S. institutional investors. Mr. Hyland has been, and remains, a Principal and Portfolio Manager for Towerhouse. Mr. Hyland received his Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation in 1994. Mr. Hyland is a member of the CFA Institute (formerly AIMR). He is also a member of the National Association of Petroleum Investment Analysts, a not-for-profit organization of investment professionals focused on the oil industry. He serves as an arbitrator for the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), as part of their dispute resolution program. He is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley and received a BA in political science/international relations in 1982. Mr. Hyland is 49 years old.

Ray W. Allen acts as a Portfolio Operations Manager for UGA and USHO and is expected to be a Portfolio Operations Manager for USSO and was hired by the General Partner in October 2007 and has been employed by the General Partner since January 14, 2008. He holds a Series 3 license and is registered with the CFTC as an Associated Person of the General Partner on March 25, 2008, and has been listed with the CFTC as a Principal of the General Partner since March 18, 2009. Mr. Allen s responsibilities include daily trading and operations for UGA and USHO. In addition, from February 2002 October 2007, Mr. Allen was responsible for analyzing and evaluating the creditworthiness of client companies at Marble Bridge Funding Group Inc., in Walnut Creek, CA. Marble Bridge Funding Group Inc. is a commercial finance company providing capital to entrepreneurial companies. Mr. Allen received a BA in Economics from the University of California at Berkeley in 1980. Mr. Allen is 52 years old.

The following individuals serve as independent directors of the General Partner.

Peter M. Robinson has been an Independent Director of the General Partner since September 30, 2005 and, as such, serves on the board of directors of the General Partner, which acts on behalf of USNG and the Related Public Funds and will serve on behalf of USSO and US12NG, if such funds commence operations. He has been listed with the CFTC as a Principal of the General Partner since December 2005. Mr. Robinson has been employed as a Research Fellow writing about business and politics with the Hoover Institution since April 1993. The Hoover Institution is a public policy think tank located on the campus of Stanford University. Mr. Robinson graduated from Dartmouth College in 1979 and Oxford University in 1982. Mr. Robinson has also written three books and has been published in the New York Times, Red Herring, and Forbes ASAP and he is the editor of Can Congress Be Fixed?: Five Essays on Congressional Reform (Hoover Institution Press, 1995). Mr. Robinson is 51 years old.

Gordon L. Ellis has been an Independent Director of the General Partner since September 30, 2005 and, as such, serves on the board of directors of the General Partner, which acts on behalf of USNG and the Related Public Funds and will serve on behalf of USSO and US12NG, if such funds commence operations. He has been listed with the CFTC as a Principal of the General Partner since November 2005. Mr. Ellis has been Chairman of International Absorbents, Inc., a holding company of Absorption Corp., since July 1988,

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President and Chief Executive Officer since November 1996 and a Class I Director of the company since July 1985.
Mr. Ellis is also a director of Absorption Corp., International Absorbents, Inc. s wholly-owned subsidiary which is engaged in developing, manufacturing and marketing a wide range of animal care and industrial absorbent products.
Mr. Ellis is a director/trustee of Polymer Solutions, Inc., a former publicly-held company that sold all of its assets effective as of February 3, 2004 and is currently winding down its operations and liquidating following such sale.
Polymer Solutions previously developed, manufactured and distributed paints, coatings and adhesives. Mr. Ellis is a Professional Engineer, a Certified Director and holds an MBA in international finance. Mr. Ellis is 62 years old.

Malcolm R. Fobes III has been an Independent Director of the General Partner since September 30, 2005 and, as such, serves on the board of directors of the General Partner, which acts on behalf of USNG and the Related Public Funds and will serve on behalf of USSO and US12NG, if such funds commence operations. He has been listed with the CFTC as a Principal of the General Partner since November 2005. Mr. Fobes is the founder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Berkshire Capital Holdings, Inc., a California-based investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, that has been sponsoring and providing portfolio management services to mutual funds since June 1997. Since June 1997, Mr. Fobes has been the Chairman and President of The Berkshire Funds, a mutual fund investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Mr. Fobes also serves as portfolio manager of the Berkshire Focus Fund, a mutual fund registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, which concentrates its investments in the electronic technology industry. From April 2000 to July 2006, Mr. Fobes also served as co-portfolio manager of The Wireless Fund, a mutual fund registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, which concentrates its investments in companies engaged in the development, production, or distribution of wireless-related products or services. In these roles, Mr. Fobes has gained extensive experience in evaluating and retaining third-party service providers, including custodians, accountants, transfer agents, and distributors. Mr. Fobes was also contributing editor of Start a Successful Mutual Fund: The Step-by-Step Reference Guide to Make It Happen (JV Books, 1995). Mr. Fobes holds a B.S. degree in Finance and Economics from San Jose State University in California. Mr. Fobes is 44 years old.

The following are individual Principals, as that term is defined in CFTC Rule 3.1, for the General Partner: Melinda Gerber, The Gerber Family Trust, Howard Mah, Andrew Ngim, Robert Nguyen, Peter Robinson, Gordon Ellis, Malcolm Fobes, John Love, Ray Allen, the Nicholas and Melinda Gerber Living Trust, John Hyland and Wainwright Holdings, Inc (Wainwright). These individuals are principals due to their positions, however, Nicholas Gerber and Melinda Gerber are also principals due to their controlling stake in Wainwright. None of the principals owns or has any other beneficial interest in USNG. Nicholas Gerber and John Hyland make trading and investment decisions for USNG. Nicholas Gerber, John Love, and John Hyland execute trades on behalf of USNG. In addition, Nicholas Gerber, John Hyland, Robert Nguyen, and Ray Allen are registered with the CFTC as Associated Persons of the General Partner and are NFA Associate Members.

Prior Performance of the General Partner and Affiliates

The General Partner is currently the General Partner of USNG and the Related Public Funds.

USNG s units began trading on the American Stock Exchange on April 18, 2007 and are offered on a continuous basis. As a result of the acquisition of the American Stock Exchange by NYSE Euronext, USNG s units commenced trading on the NYSE Arca on November 25, 2008. As of March 31, 2009, the total amount of money raised by USNG from its Authorized Purchasers was \$4,649,415,003; the total number of Authorized Purchasers was 7; the number of baskets purchased by Authorized Purchasers was 1,358; and the aggregate amount of units purchased was 135,800,000.

Since the offering of USNG units to the public on April 18, 2007 to March 31, 2009, the simple average daily change in the Benchmark Futures Contract was -0.203%, while the simple average daily change in the NAV of USNG over the same time period was -0.198%. The average daily difference was 0.005% (or 0.5 basis points, where 1 basis point equals 1/100 of 1%). As a percentage of the daily movement of the Benchmark Futures Contract, the average error in daily tracking by the NAV was 0.823%, meaning that over this time period USNG's tracking error was within the plus or minus 10% range established as its benchmark tracking goal.

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USOF s units began trading on the American Stock Exchange on April 10, 2006 and are offered on a continuous basis. As a result of the acquisition of the American Stock Exchange by NYSE Euronext, USOF s units commenced trading on the NYSE Arca on November 25, 2008. As of March 31, 2009, the total amount of money raised by USOF from its Authorized Purchasers was \$21,769,574,799; the total number of Authorized Purchasers was 15; the number of baskets purchased by Authorized Purchasers was 4,042; and the aggregate amount of units purchased was 404,200,000.

Since the offering of USOF units to the public on April 10, 2006 to March 31, 2009, the simple average daily change in the benchmark oil futures contract was -0.080%, while the simple average daily change in the NAV of USOF over the same time period was -0.073%. The average daily difference was 0.007% (or 0.7 basis points, where 1 basis point equals 1/100 of 1%). As a percentage of the daily movement of the benchmark oil futures contract, the average error in daily tracking by the NAV was 2.148%, meaning that over this time period USOF's tracking error was within the plus or minus 10% range established as its benchmark tracking goal.

US12OF s units began trading on the American Stock Exchange on December 6, 2007 and are offered on a continuous basis. As a result of the acquisition of the American Stock Exchange by NYSE Euronext, US12OF s units commenced trading on the NYSE Arca on November 25, 2008. As of March 31, 2009, the total amount of money raised by US12OF from its Authorized Purchasers was \$165,142,986; the total number of Authorized Purchasers was 3; the number of baskets purchased by Authorized Purchasers was 58; and the aggregate amount of units purchased was 5,800,000.

Since the offering of US12OF units to the public on December 6, 2007 to March 31, 2009, the simple average daily change in the benchmark oil futures contracts was -0.106%, while the simple average daily change in the NAV of US12OF over the same time period was -0.102%. The average daily difference was 0.004% (or 0.4 basis points, where 1 basis point equals 1/100 of 1%). As a percentage of the daily movement of the benchmark oil futures contracts, the average error in daily tracking by the NAV was 0.158%, meaning that over this time period US12OF's tracking error was within the plus or minus 10% range established as its benchmark tracking goal.

UGA s units began trading on the American Stock Exchange on February 26, 2008 and are offered on a continuous basis. As a result of the acquisition of the American Stock Exchange by NYSE Euronext, UGA s units commenced trading on the NYSE Arca on November 25, 2008. As of March 31, 2009, the total amount of money raised by UGA from its Authorized Purchasers was \$116,076,878; the total number of Authorized Purchasers was 4; the number of baskets purchased by Authorized Purchasers was 25; and the aggregate amount of units purchased was 2,500,000.

Since the offering of UGA units to the public on February 26, 2008 to March 31, 2009, the simple average daily change in the benchmark gasoline futures contract was -0.188%, while the simple average daily change in the NAV of UGA over the same time period was -0.187%. The average daily difference was 0.001% (or 0.1 basis points, where 1 basis point equals 1/100 of 1%). As a percentage of the daily movement of the Benchmark Futures Contract, the average error in daily tracking by the NAV was 0.269%, meaning that over this time period UGA's tracking error was within the plus or minus 10% range established as its benchmark tracking goal.

USHO s units began trading on the American Stock Exchange on April 9, 2008 and are offered on a continuous basis. As a result of the acquisition of the American Stock Exchange by NYSE Euronext, USHO s units commenced trading on the NYSE Arca on November 25, 2008. As of March 31, 2009, the total amount of money raised by USHO from its Authorized Purchasers was \$19,744,061; the total number of Authorized Purchasers was 4; the number of baskets purchased by Authorized Purchasers was 5; and the aggregate amount of units purchased was 500,000.

Since the offering of USHO units to the public on April 9, 2008 to March 31, 2009, the simple average daily change in the benchmark heating oil futures contract was -0.302% while the simple average daily change in the NAV of USHO over the same time period was -0.299%. The average daily difference was 0.002% (or 0.2 basis points, where 1 basis point equals 1/100 of 1%). As a percentage of the daily movement of the benchmark heating oil futures contract, the average error in daily tracking by the NAV was 0.161% meaning that over this time period USHO s tracking error was within the plus or minus 10% range established as its benchmark tracking goal.

PERFORMANCE OF USNG

Experience in Raising and Investing in Funds Through March 31, 2009

PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS

Dollar Amount Offered in USNG Offering*	\$7,631,500,000
Dollar Amount Raised in USNG Offering	\$4,649,415,003
Organizational and Offering Expenses in USNG Offering:**	
SEC registration fee	\$ 595,508
FINRA registration fee	\$ 302,000
Listing fee	\$ 5,000
Auditor s fees and expenses	\$ 266,850
Legal fees and expenses	\$ 688,437
Printing expenses	\$ 56,322
Length of USNG offering	Continuous

*Reflects the offering price per unit set forth on the cover page of the registration statement registering such units filed with the SEC.

Amounts are for organizational and offering expenses incurred in connection with offerings from April 18, 2007 ** through December 31, 2008. Through April 18, 2007, these expenses were paid for by the General Partner.

Following April 18, 2007, USNG has borne the expenses related to the offering of its units.

Compensation to the General Partner and Other Compensation USNG

Expenses Paid by USNG Through March 31, 2009 in Dollar Terms:

Expense	Amount in
	Dollar Terms
Amount Paid to General Partner in USNG Offering	\$ 6,641,853
Amount Paid in Portfolio Brokerage Commissions in USNG Offering	\$ 1,591,437
Other Amounts Paid in USNG Offering	\$ 2,568,324
Total Expenses Paid in USNG Offering	\$ 10,801,615
Expenses Paid by USNG Through March 31, 2009 as a Percentage of Average Daily Net Assets:	

Expenses in USNG Offering	Amount As a Percentage of
	Average Daily Net Assets
General Partner	0.60% annualized

Portfolio Brokerage Commissions	0.14% annualized	
Other Amounts Paid in USNG Offering	0.23% annualized	
Total Expense Ratio	0.97% annualized	
USNG Performance:		
Name of Commodity Pool	USNG	
Type of Commodity Pool	Exchange traded security	
Inception of Trading	April 18, 2007	
Aggregate Subscriptions	\$4,649,415,003	
(from inception through March 31, 2009)		
Total Net Assets as of March 31, 2009	\$819,361,217	
Initial NAV per Unit as of Inception	\$50.00	
NAV per Unit as of March 31, 2009	\$15.23	
Worst Monthly Percentage Draw-down	Jul 08 (32.13)%	
Worst Peak-to-Valley Draw-down	Jun 08 Mar 09 (75.69)%	

COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE DATA FOR USNG PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY **INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS**

	Rates of Ret	urn	
Month	2007	2008	2009
January		8.87 %	(21.49)%
February		15.87 %	(5.47)%
March		6.90 %	(11.81)%
April	4.30%*	6.42 %	
May	(0.84)%	6.53 %	
June	(15.90)%	13.29 %	
July	(9.68)%	(32.13)%	
August	(13.37)%	(13.92)%	
September	12.28 %	(9.67)%	
October	12.09 %	(12.34)%	
November	(16.16)%	(6.31)%	
December	0.75 %	(14.32)%	
Annual Rate of Return	(27.64)%	(35.68)%	(34.55)%**

Partial from April 18, 2007. ** Through March 31, 2009.

Terms Used in Performance Tables

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Draw-down: Losses experienced over a specified period. Draw-down is measured on the basis of monthly returns only and does not reflect intra-month figures.

Worst Monthly Percentage Draw-down: The largest single month loss sustained since inception of trading.

Worst Peak-to-Valley Draw-down: The largest percentage decline in the NAV per unit over the history of the fund. This need not be a continuous decline, but can be a series of positive and negative returns where the negative returns are larger than the positive returns. Worst Peak-to-Valley Draw-down represents the greatest percentage decline from any month-end NAV per unit that occurs without such month-end NAV per unit being equaled or exceeded as of a subsequent month-end. For example, if the NAV per unit declined by \$1 in each of January and February, increased by \$1 in March and declined again by \$2 in April, a peak-to-valley drawdown analysis conducted as of the end of April would consider that drawdown to be still continuing and to be \$3 in amount, whereas if the NAV per unit had increased by \$2 in March, the January-February drawdown would have ended as of the end of February at the \$2 level.

PERFORMANCE OF THE RELATED PUBLIC FUNDS

USOF:

Experience in Raising and Investing in Funds Through March 31, 2009

PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS

Dollar Amount Offered in USOF Offering*	\$ 32,567,630,000
Dollar Amount Raised in USOF Offering	\$ 21,769,574,799
Organizational and Offering Expenses in USOF Offering:**	
SEC registration fee	\$ 2,480,174
FINRA registration fee	\$ 603,000
Listing fee	\$ 5,000
Auditor s fees and expenses	\$ 328,350
Legal fees and expenses	\$ 1,546,195
Printing expenses	\$ 273,196
Length of USOF offering	Continuous

*Reflects the offering price per unit set forth on the cover page of the registration statement registering such units filed with the SEC.

** Through December 31, 2006, these expenses were paid for by an affiliate of the General Partner in connection with the initial public offering. Following December 31, 2006, USOF has recorded these expenses.

Compensation to the General Partner and Other Compensation USOF:

Expenses Paid by USOF Through March 31, 2009 in Dollar Terms:

Expense	Amount in
Expense	Dollar Terms
Amount Paid to General Partner in USOF Offering	\$ 12,717,747
Amount Paid in Portfolio Brokerage Commissions in USOF Offering	\$ 5,063,441
Other Amounts Paid in USOF Offering	\$ 4,996,961
Total Expenses Paid in USOF Offering	\$ 22,778,149
Expenses Paid by USOF Through March 31, 2009 in Dollar Terms:	

Expenses in USOF Offering

Amount As a Percentage of Average Daily Net Assets

General Partner	0.47% annualized
Portfolio Brokerage Commissions	0.19% annualized
Other Amounts Paid in USOF Offering	0.18% annualized
Total Expenses Paid in USOF Offering	0.84% annualized
USOF Performance:	
Name of Commodity Pool	USOF
Type of Commodity Pool	Exchange traded security
Inception of Trading	April 10, 2006
Aggregate Subscriptions (from inception through March 31, 2009)	\$21,769,574,799
Total Net Assets as of March 31, 2009	\$2,912,849,108
Initial NAV per Unit as of Inception	\$ 67.39
NAV per Unit as of March 31, 2009	\$29.36
Worst Monthly Percentage Draw-down	Oct 2008 (31.57)%
Worst Peak-to-Valley Draw-down	Jun 08 Feb 09 (75.84)%

COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE DATA FOR USOF PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS

	Rates of R	leturn					
Month	2006	2007		2008		2009	
January		(6.5	5)%	(3.98)%	(14.60)%
February		5.63	3 %	11.03	%	(6.55)%
March		4.61	%	0.63	%	7.23	%
April	3.47%*	(4.2	6)%	12.38	%		
May	(2.91)% (4.9	1)%	12.80	%		
June	3.16	% 9.06	5 %	9.90	%		
July	(0.50)% 10.5	55 %	(11.72)%		
August	(6.97)% (4.9	3)%	(6.75)%		
September	(11.71))% 12.1	1 %	(12.97)%		
October	(8.46)% 16.9	98 %	(31.57)%		
November	4.73	% (4.8	2)%	(20.65)%		
December	(5.21)% 8.66	5 %	(22.16)%		
Annual Rate of Return	(23.03)% 46.1	5 %	(54.75)%	(14.43)%	**

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Partial from April 10, 2006.

Through March 31, 2009.

For a definition of draw-down, please see text below Composite Performance Data for USNG.

US12OF:

Experience in Raising and Investing in Funds through March 31, 2009

PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS

Dollar Amount Offered in US12OF Offering*	\$ 550,000,000
Dollar Amount Raised in US12OF Offering	\$ 165,142,986
Organizational and Offering Expenses**:	
SEC registration fee	\$ 126,746
FINRA registration fee	\$ 151,000
Listing fee	\$ 5,000
Auditor s fees and expenses	\$ 60,700
Legal fees and expenses	\$ 213,235
Printing expenses:	\$ 23,755

COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE DATA FOR USOF PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDI/02/ATIVE (

Length of US12OF offering

Continuous

*Reflects the offering price per unit set forth on the cover page of the registration statement registering such units filed with the SEC.

Amounts are for organizational and offering expenses incurred in connection with the offerings from December 6,

** 2007 through March 31, 2009. Through March 31, 2009, these expenses were paid for by an affiliate of the General Partner in connection with the initial public offering. Following March 31, 2009, US12OF will bear the expenses related to the offering of its units.

Compensation to the General Partner and Other Compensation US120F:

Expenses Paid by US12OF Through March 31, 2009 in Dollar Terms:

Expense	Amount in
Expense	Dollar Term
Amount Paid to General Partner in US12OF Offering	\$ 155,241
Amount Paid in Portfolio Brokerage Commissions in US12OF Offering	\$ 31,983
Other Amounts Paid in US12OF Offering	\$ 62,124
Total Expenses Paid in US12OF Offering	\$ 249,349

Expenses Paid by US12OF Through March 31, 2009 as a Percentage of Average Daily Net Assets:

Expenses in US12OF Offering

General Partner Portfolio Brokerage Commissions Other Amounts Paid in US12OF Offering Total Expense Ratio US12OF Performance: Name of Commodity Pool Type of Commodity Pool Inception of Trading Aggregate Subscriptions (from inception through March 31, 2009) Total Net Assets as of March 31, 2009 Initial NAV per Unit as of Inception NAV per Unit as of March 31, 2009 Worst Monthly Percentage Draw-down Worst Peak-to-Valley Draw-down Amount As a Percentage of Average Daily Net Assets 0.60% annualized 0.12% annualized 0.24% annualized 0.96% annualized

US12OF Exchange traded security December 6, 2007

\$165,142,986

\$148,545,204 \$50.00 \$30.32 Oct 2008 (29.59)% Jun 08 Feb 09 (66.97)%

COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE DATA FOR US12OF PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS

	Rates of Ret	urn	
Month	2007	2008	2009
January		(2.01)%	(7.11)%
February		10.48 %	(4.34)%
March		(0.66)%	9.22 %
April		11.87 %	
May		15.47 %	
June		11.59 %	
July		(11.39)%	
August		(6.35)%	
September		(13.12)%	
October		(29.59)%	
November		(16.17)%	
December	8.44%*	(12.66)%	
Annual Rate of Return	8.44 %	(42.39)%	(2.94)%**

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Partial from December 6, 2007.

Through March 31, 2009.

For a definition of draw-down, please see text below Composite Performance Data for USNG.

UGA:

Experience in Raising and Investing in Funds Through March 31, 2009

PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY **INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS**

Dollar Amount Offered in UGA Offering*	\$1,500,000,000
Dollar Amount Raised in UGA Offering	\$116,076,878
Organizational and Offering Expenses in UGA Offering:**	
SEC registration fee	\$58,520
FINRA registration fee	\$75,500
Listing fee	\$5,000
Auditor s fees and expenses	\$27,500
Legal fees and expenses	\$117,891
Printing expenses	\$31,867
Length of UGA offering	Continuous

"Reflects the offering price per unit set forth on the cover page of the registration statement registering such units filed with the SEC.

These expenses were paid for by the General Partner.

Compensation to the General Partner and Other Compensation UGA:

Expenses Paid by UGA Through March 31, 2009 in Dollar Terms:

Expense	Amount in Dollar Terms
Amount Paid to General Partner in UGA Offering	\$ 145,937
Amount Paid in Portfolio Brokerage Commissions in UGA Offering	\$ 32,873
Other Amounts Paid in UGA Offering	\$ 68,712
Total Expenses Paid in UGA Offering	\$ 247,521
xpenses Paid by UGA Through March 31, 2009 as a Percentage o	f Average Daily Net Assets:

Expenses Paid by UGA Through March 31, 2009 as a Percentage of Average Daily Net Assets:

Expenses in UGA Offering	Amount As a Percentage of Average Daily Net Assets
General Partner	0.60% annualized
Portfolio Brokerage Commissions	0.14% annualized

Other Amounts Paid in UGA Offering Total Expense Ratio UGA Performance: Name of Commodity Pool Type of Commodity Pool Inception of Trading Aggregate Subscriptions (from inception through March 31, 2009) Total Net Assets as of March 31, 2009 Initial NAV per Unit as of Inception NAV per Unit as of March 31, 2009 Worst Monthly Percentage Draw-down Worst Peak-to-Valley Draw-down 0.19% annualized 0.92% annualized

UGA Exchange traded security February 26, 2008

\$116,073,878

\$65,239,661 \$50.00 \$24.16 Oct 2008 (38.48)% Jun 08 Dec 08 (69.02)%

COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE DATA FOR UGA PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS

	Rates of Return		
Month	2008	2009	
January		16.23	%
February	(0.56)%*	0.26	%
March	(2.39)%	2.59	%
April	10.94 %		
May	15.60 %		
June	4.79 %		
July	(12.79)%		
August	(3.88)%		
September	(9.36)%		
October	(38.48)%		
November	(21.35)%		
December	(15.72)%		
Annual Rate of Return	(59.58)%	19.54%**	

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Partial from February 26, 2008. Through March 31, 2009.

For a definition of draw-down, please see text below Composite Performance Data for USNG.

USHO:

Experience in Raising and Investing in Funds Through March 31, 2009

PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS

Dollar Amount Offered in USHO Offering*	\$500,000,000
Dollar Amount Raised in USHO Offering	\$19,744,061
Organizational and Offering Expenses in USHO Offering:**	
SEC registration fee	\$19,220
FINRA registration fee	\$ 50,500
Listing fee	\$ 5,000

Auditor s fees and expenses Legal fees and expenses Printing expenses Length of USHO offering

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\$27,500 \$126,859 \$21,255 Continuous

*Reflects the offering price per unit set forth on the cover page of the registration statement registering such units filed with the SEC.

These expenses were paid for by the General Partner.

Compensation to the General Partner and Other Compensation USHO:

Expenses Paid by USHO Through March 31, 2009 in Dollar Terms:

Expanse	Amount in
Expense	Dollar Term
Amount Paid to General Partner in USHO Offering	\$ 58,940
Amount Paid in Portfolio Brokerage Commissions in USHO Offering	\$ 9,331
Other Amounts Paid in USHO Offering	\$ 22,631
Total Expenses Paid in USHO Offering	\$ 90,902

Expenses Paid by USHO Through March 31, 2009 as a Percentage of Average Daily Net Assets:

Expenses in USHO Offering

General Partner Portfolio Brokerage Commissions Other Amounts Paid in USHO Offering Total Expense Ratio USHO Performance: Name of Commodity Pool Type of Commodity Pool Inception of Trading Aggregate Subscriptions (from inception through March 31, 2009) Total Net Assets as of March 31, 2009 Initial NAV per Unit as of Inception NAV per Unit as of March 31, 2009 Worst Monthly Percentage Draw-down Worst Peak-to-Valley Draw-down

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Amount As a Percentage of Average Daily Net Assets 0.60% annualized 0.10% annualized 0.23% annualized 0.93% annualized

USHO Exchange traded security April 9, 2008

\$19,744,061

\$6,231,425 \$50.00 \$20.77 Oct 08 (28.63)% Jun 08 Feb 09 (69.17)%

COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE DATA FOR USHO PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS

	Rates of Return	l	
Month	2008	2009	
January		0.05	%
February		(11.34)%
March		6.73	%
April	2.84%*		
May	15.93 %		
June	5.91 %		
July	(12.18)%		
August	(8.41)%		
September	(9.77)%		
October	(28.63)%		
November	(18.38)%		
December	(17.80)%		
Annual Rate of Return	(56.12)%	(5.33)%**	
*	Partial from April 9 2008		

Partial from April 9, 2008.

Through March 31, 2009.

For a definition of draw-down, please see text below Composite Performance Data for USNG.

Other Related Commodity and Investment Management Experience

Ameristock Corporation is an affiliate of the General Partner and it is a California-based registered investment advisor registered under the Investment Advisors Act of 1940 that has been sponsoring and providing portfolio management services to mutual funds since 1995. Ameristock Corporation is the investment adviser to the Ameristock Mutual Fund, Inc., a mutual fund registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 that focuses on large cap U.S. equities that, as of March 31, 2009, had approximately \$162 million in assets. Ameristock Corporation is also the investment advisor to the Ameristock ETF Trust, an open-end management investment company registered under the 1940 Act that seeks investment results that correspond to the performance of U.S. Treasury indices owned and compiled by Ryan Holdings LLC and Ryan ALM, Inc.

How Does USNG Operate?

The net assets of USNG will consist primarily of investments in futures contracts for natural gas, but may also consist of crude oil, heating oil, gasoline, and other petroleum-based fuels that are traded on the NYMEX, ICE Futures or other U.S. and foreign exchanges (collectively, Futures Contracts). USNG may also invest in other natural gas-related investments such as cash-settled options on Futures Contracts, forward contracts for natural gas, and over-the-counter transactions that are based on the price of natural gas, oil and other petroleum-based fuels, Futures Contracts and indices based on the foregoing (collectively, Other Natural Gas-Related Investments). For convenience and unless otherwise specified, Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments collectively are referred to as Natural Gas Interests in this prospectus.

USNG invests in Natural Gas Interests to the fullest extent possible without being leveraged or unable to satisfy its current or potential margin or collateral obligations with respect to its investments in Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments. In pursuing this objective, the primary focus of the General Partner is the investment in Futures Contracts and the management of USNG s investments in short-term obligations of the United States of two years or less (Treasuries), cash and/or cash equivalents for margining purposes and as collateral.

The investment objective of USNG is to have the changes in percentage terms of the units NAV reflect the changes in percentage terms of the spot price of natural gas delivered at the Henry Hub, Louisiana as measured by the changes in the Futures Contract on natural gas traded on the NYMEX that is the near month contract to expire, except when the near month contract is within two weeks of expiration, in which case the futures contract will be the next month contract to expire, less USNG s expenses. It is not the intent of USNG to be operated in a fashion such that its NAV will equal, in dollar terms, the spot price of spot natural gas or any particular futures contract based on natural gas.

USNG seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing in a mix of Futures Contracts and Natural Gas Interests such that the changes in USNG s NAV will closely track the changes in the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract. The General Partner believes changes in the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract historically exhibited a close correlation with the changes in the spot price of natural gas. On any valuation day (a valuation day is any trading day as of which USNG calculates its NAV, as described herein), the Benchmark Futures Contract is the near month contract for natural gas traded on the NYMEX unless the near month contract will expire within two weeks of the valuation day, in which case the Benchmark Futures Contract is the next month contract for natural gas on the NYMEX.

As a specific benchmark, the General Partner endeavors to place USNG s trades in Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments and otherwise manage USNG s investments so that A will be within plus/minus 10 percent of B , where:

A is the average daily change in USNG s NAV for any period of 30 successive valuation days; i.e., any trading day as of which USNG calculates its NAV, and

B is the average daily change in the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract over the same period. The General Partner believes that market arbitrage opportunities cause daily changes in USNG s unit price on the NYSE Arca to closely track daily changes in USNG s NAV. The General Partner further believes that the daily changes in prices of the Benchmark Futures Contract have historically closely tracked the daily changes in the spot price of natural gas. The General Partner believes that the net effect of these two relationships and the expected relationship described above between USNG s NAV and the Benchmark Futures Contract will be that the daily changes in the price of USNG s units on the NYSE Arca will continue to closely track the daily changes in the spot price of 10,000 million British thermal units (mmBtu) of natural gas, less USNG s expenses. The following two graphs demonstrate the correlation between the daily changes in the NAV of USNG and the daily changes in the Benchmark Futures Contract both since the initial public offering of USNG s units on April 18, 2007 through December 31, 2008 and during the last thirty valuation days ended December 31, 2008.

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An investment in the units provides a means for diversifying an investor s portfolio or hedging exposure to changes in natural gas prices. An investment in the units allows both retail and institutional investors to easily gain this exposure to the natural gas market in a transparent, cost-effective manner.

The expected correlation of the price of USNG s units, USNG s NAV and the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract is illustrated in the following diagram:

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The General Partner employs a neutral investment strategy intended to track changes in the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract regardless of whether the price goes up or goes down. USNG s neutral investment strategy is designed to permit investors generally to purchase and sell USNG s units for the purpose of investing indirectly in natural gas in a cost-effective manner, and/or to permit participants in the natural gas or other industries to hedge the risk of losses in their natural gas-related transactions. Accordingly, depending on the investment objective of an individual investor, the risks generally associated with investing in natural gas and/or the risks involved in hedging may exist. In addition, an investment in USNG involves the risk that the changes in the price of USNG s units will not accurately track the changes in the Benchmark Futures Contract.

The Benchmark Oil Futures Contract will be changed from the near month contract to the next month contract over a four-day period. Each month, the Benchmark Futures Contract will change starting at the end of the day on the date two weeks prior to expiration of the near month contract for that month. During the first three days of the period, the applicable value of the Benchmark Futures Contract will be based on a combination of the near month contract and the next month contract as follows: (1) day 1 will consist of 75% of the then near month contract s total return for the day of the next month contract, (2) day 2 will consist of 50% of the then near month contract, and (3) day 3 will consist of 25% of the then near month contract s total return for the day, plus 50% of the total return for the day, plus 75% of the total return for the day of the next month contract. On day 4, the Benchmark Futures Contract will be the next month contract to expire at that time and that contract will remain the Benchmark Futures Contract over a four-day period.

On each day during the four-day period, United States Commodity Funds LLC, the General Partner of USNG, anticipates it will roll USNG s positions in natural gas investments by closing, or selling, a percentage of USNG s positions in natural gas interests and reinvesting the proceeds from closing those positions in new natural gas interests that reflect the change in the Benchmark Futures Contract.

The anticipated dates that the monthly four-day roll period will commence for 2009 will be posted on USNG s website at *www.unitedstatesnaturalgasfund.com*, and are subject to change without notice.

USNG s total portfolio composition is disclosed on its website each business day that the NYSE Arca is open for trading. The website disclosure of portfolio holdings is made daily and includes, as applicable, the

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name and value of each Natural Gas Interest, the specific types of Other Natural Gas-Related Investments and characteristics of such Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, Treasuries, and amount of cash and/or cash equivalents held in USNG s portfolio. USNG s website is publicly accessible at no charge. USNG s assets are held in segregated accounts pursuant to the Commodity Exchange Act and CFTC regulations.

The units issued by USNG may only be purchased by Authorized Purchasers and only in blocks of 100,000 units called Creation Baskets. The amount of the purchase payment for a Creation Basket is equal to the aggregate NAV of units in the Creation Basket. Similarly, only Authorized Purchasers may redeem units and only in blocks of 100,000 units called Redemption Baskets. The amount of the redemption proceeds for a Redemption Basket is equal to the aggregate NAV of units in the Redemption Basket. The purchase price for Creation Baskets, and the redemption price for Redemption Baskets is the actual NAV calculated at the end of the business day when notice for a purchase or redemption is received by USNG. The NYSE Arca publishes an approximate NAV intra-day based on the prior day s NAV and the current price of Benchmark Futures Contract, but the basket price is determined based on the actual NAV at the end of the day.

While USNG issues units only in Creation Baskets, units may also be purchased and sold in much smaller increments on the NYSE Arca. These transactions, however, are effected at the bid and ask prices established by specialist firm(s). Like any listed security, units can be purchased and sold at any time a secondary market is open.

What is USNG s Investment Strategy?

In managing USNG s assets the General Partner does not use a technical trading system that issues buy and sell orders. The General Partner instead employs a quantitative methodology whereby each time a Creation Basket is sold, the General Partner purchases Natural Gas Interests, such as the Benchmark Futures Contract, that have an aggregate market value that approximates the amount of Treasuries and/or cash received upon the issuance of the Creation Basket.

As an example, assume that a Creation Basket is sold by USNG, and that USNG s closing NAV per unit is \$50.00. In that case, USNG would receive \$5,000,000 in proceeds from the sale of the Creation Basket (\$50 NAV per unit multiplied by 100,000 units, and ignoring the Creation Basket fee of \$1,000). If one were to assume further that the General Partner wants to invest the entire proceeds from the Creation Basket in the Benchmark Futures Contract and that the market value of the Benchmark Futures Contract is \$59,950, USNG would be unable to buy the exact number of Benchmark Futures Contracts with an aggregate market value equal to \$5,000,000. Instead, USNG would be able to purchase 83 Benchmark Futures Contracts with an aggregate market value of \$4,975,850. Assuming a margin requirement equal to 10% of the value of the Benchmark Futures Contract, USNG would be required to deposit \$497,585 in Treasuries and cash with the futures commission merchant through which the Benchmark Futures Contracts were purchased. The remainder of the proceeds from the sale of the Creation Basket would remain invested in cash, cash equivalents, and Treasuries as determined by the General Partner from time to time based on factors such as potential calls for margin or anticipated redemptions.

The specific Futures Contracts purchased depends on various factors, including a judgment by the General Partner as to the appropriate diversification of USNG s investments in futures contracts with respect to the month of expiration, and the prevailing price volatility of particular contracts. While the General Partner has made significant investments in NYMEX Futures Contracts, as USNG reaches certain accountability levels or position limits on the NYMEX, or for other reasons, it has also and may continue to invest in Futures Contracts traded on other exchanges or invest in Other Natural Gas-Related Investments such as contracts in the over-the-counter market.

The General Partner does not anticipate letting its Futures Contracts expire and taking delivery of the underlying commodity. Instead, the General Partner closes existing positions, *e.g.*, when it changes the Benchmark Futures Contract or it otherwise determines it would be appropriate to do so and reinvests the proceeds in new Futures Contracts. Positions may also be closed out to meet orders for Redemption Baskets and in such case proceeds for such baskets will not be reinvested.

By remaining invested as fully as possible in Futures Contracts or Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, the General Partner believes that the changes in percentage terms of USNG s NAV will continue

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to closely track the changes in percentage terms in the prices of the Futures Contracts in which USNG invests. The General Partner believes that certain arbitrage opportunities result in the price of the units traded on the NYSE Arca closely tracking the NAV of USNG. Additionally, as discussed above, the General Partner has conducted research that indicates that the natural gas futures contracts traded on the NYMEX have closely tracked the spot price of the underlying natural gas. Based on these expected interrelationships, the General Partner believes that the changes in the price of USNG s units as traded on the NYSE Arca will continue to closely track the changes in natural gas.

What are Futures Contracts?

Futures contracts are agreements between two parties. One party agrees to buy a commodity such as natural gas from the other party at a later date at a price and quantity agreed upon when the contract is made. Futures contracts are traded on futures exchanges, including the NYMEX. For example, natural gas Futures contracts traded on the NYMEX trade in units of 10,000 million British Thermal Units (mmBtu). The natural gas Futures Contracts traded on the NYMEX are priced by floor brokers and other exchange members both through an open outcry of offers to purchase or sell the contracts and through an electronic, screen-based system that determines the price by matching electronically offers to purchase and sell.

Certain typical and significant characteristics of Futures Contracts are discussed below. Additional risks of investing in Futures Contracts are included in What are the Risk Factors Involved with an Investment in USNG?

Impact of Accountability Levels, Position Limits and Price Fluctuation Limits. Futures contracts include typical and significant characteristics. Most significantly, the CFTC and U.S. designated contract markets such as the NYMEX have established accountability levels and position limits on the maximum net long or net short futures contracts in commodity interests that any person or group of persons under common trading control (other than as a hedge, which an investment by USNG is not) may hold, own or control. The net position is the difference between an individual or firm s open long contracts and open short contracts in any one commodity. In addition, most U.S. futures exchanges, such as the NYMEX, limit the daily price fluctuation for futures contracts. Currently, the ICE Futures imposes any position and accountability limits that are similar to those imposed by the NYMEX but does not limit the maximum daily price fluctuation.

The accountability levels for the Benchmark Futures Contract and other Futures Contracts traded on the NYMEX are not a fixed ceiling, but rather a threshold above which the NYMEX may exercise greater scrutiny and control over an investor s positions. The current accountability level for any one month in the Benchmark Futures Contract) is 12,000 contracts. In addition, the NYMEX imposes an accountability level for all months of 12,000 net futures contracts in natural gas. If USNG and the Related Public Funds exceed these accountability levels for investments in the futures contract for natural gas, the NYMEX will monitor USNG s and the Related Public Fund s exposure and ask for further information on their activities, including the total size of all positions, investment and trading strategy, and the extent of liquidity resources of USNG and the Related Public Funds. If deemed necessary by the NYMEX, it could also order USNG to reduce its position back to the accountability level. As of March 31, 2009, USNG and the Related Public Funds held 21,700 Benchmark Futures Contracts, all of which were traded on the NYMEX. As of March 31, 2009, USNG held no natural gas contracts traded on the ICE Futures.

If the NYMEX or the ICE Futures orders USNG to reduce its position back to the accountability level, or to an accountability level that the NYMEX or the ICE Futures deems appropriate for USNG, such an accountability level may impact the mix of investments in Natural Gas Interests made by USNG. To illustrate, assume that the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract and the unit price of USNG are each \$10, and that the NYMEX has determined that USNG may not own more than 10,000 contracts in natural gas Futures Contracts. In such case, USNG could invest up

to \$1 billion of its daily net assets in the Benchmark Futures Contract (i.e., \$10 per contract multiplied by 10,000 (a Benchmark Futures Contract is a contract for 10,000 million British Thermal Units) multiplied by 10,000 contracts) before reaching the accountability level imposed by the NYMEX. Once the daily net assets of the portfolio exceed \$1.2 billion in the Benchmark Futures Contract, the portfolio may not be able to make any further investments in the Benchmark Futures Contract, depending on whether the NYMEX imposes limits. If the NYMEX does impose limits at the \$1

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billion level (or another level), USNG anticipates that it will invest the majority of its assets above that level in a mix of other Futures Contracts or Other Natural Gas-Related Investments.

In addition to accountability levels, the NYMEX and the ICE Futures impose position limits on contracts held in the last few days of trading in the near month contract to expire. It is unlikely that USNG will run up against such position limits because USNG s investment strategy is to close out its positions and roll from the near month contract to expire to the next month contract during a four-day period beginning two weeks from expiration of the contract.

U.S. futures exchanges, including the NYMEX, also limit the amount of price fluctuation for futures contracts. For example, the NYMEX imposes a \$3.00 per mmBtu (\$30,000 per contract) price fluctuation limit for natural gas
 Futures Contracts. This limit is initially based off the previous trading day s settlement price. If any natural gas Futures Contract is traded, bid, or offered at the limit for five minutes, trading is halted for five minutes. When trading resumes it begins at the point where the limit was imposed and the limit is reset to be \$3.00 per mmBtu in either direction of that point. If another halt were triggered, the market would continue to be expanded by \$3.00 per mmBtu in either direction after each successive five-minute trading halt. There is no maximum price fluctuation limit during any one trading session.

USNG anticipates that to the extent it invests in Futures Contracts other than natural gas contracts (such as futures contracts for light, sweet crude oil, heating oil, and gasoline) and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, it will enter into various non-exchange-traded derivative contracts to hedge the short-term price movements of such natural gas Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments against the current Benchmark Futures Contract.

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Examples of the position and price limits imposed are as follows:

Futures Contract	Position Accountability Levels and Limits	Maximum Daily Price Fluctuation \$3.00 per mmBtu (\$30,000 per contract) for all months. If any contract is traded, bid, or offered at
NYMEX Natural Gas (physically settled)	Any one month: 6,000 net futures / all months: 12,000 net futures, but not to exceed 1,000 contracts in the last three days of trading in the spot month.	the limit for five minutes, trading is halted for five minutes. When trading resumes, the limit is expanded by \$3.00 per mmBtu in either direction. If another halt were triggered, the market would continue to be expanded by \$3.00 per mmBtu in either direction after each successive five-minute trading halt. There will be no maximum price fluctuation limits during any one trading session. \$10.00 per barrel (\$10,000 per
NYMEX Light, Sweet Crude Oil (physically settled)	Any one month: 10,000 net futures / all months: 20,000 net futures, but not to exceed 3,000 contracts in the last three days of trading in the spot month.	statistic first sexpanded by \$10.00 per barrel in either direction. If another halt were triggered, the market would continue to be expanded by \$10.00 per barrel in either direction after each successive five-minute trading halt. There will be no maximum price fluctuation limits during any one trading session.
NYMEX Light, Sweet Crude Oil (financially settled)	Any one month: 20,000 net futures / all months: 20,000 net futures, but not to exceed 2,000 contracts in the last three days of trading in the spot month.	There is no maximum daily price fluctuation limit.
ICE West Texas Intermediate (WTI) Cruc Futures (financially settled)	Any one month: 10,000 net futures / all months: 20,000 net futures, but not to exceed 3,000 contracts in the last three days of trading in the spot month.	There is no maximum daily price fluctuation.
ICE Brent Crude Futures (physically settled) NYMEX Heating Oil (physically settled)	There are no position limits. Any one month: 5,000 net futures / all months: 7,000 net futures, but not to exceed 1,000 contracts in	There is no maximum daily price fluctuation limit. \$0.25 per gallon (\$10,500 per contract) for all months. If any contract is traded, bid, or offered at

NYMEX Gasoline (physically settled) Any one month: 5,000 net futures / all months: 7,000 net futures, / all months: 7,000
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Price Volatility. Despite daily price limits, the price volatility of Futures Contracts generally has been historically greater than that for traditional securities such as stocks and bonds. Price volatility often is greater day-to-day as opposed to intra-day. Futures Contracts tend to be more volatile than stocks and bonds because price movements of natural gas and other energy products are more currently and directly influenced by economic factors for which current data is available and are traded by futures traders throughout the day. These economic factors include changes in interest rates; governmental, agricultural, trade, fiscal, monetary and exchange control programs and policies; weather and climate conditions; changing supply and demand relationships; changes in balances of payments and trade; U.S. and international rates of inflation; currency devaluations and revaluations; U.S. and international political and economic events; and changes in philosophies and emotions of market participants. Because USNG invests a significant portion of its assets in Futures Contracts, the assets of USNG, and therefore the prices of USNG units, may be subject to greater volatility than traditional securities.

Term Structure of Natural Gas Futures Prices and the Impact on Total Returns

Several factors determine the total return from investing in a futures contract position. One factor that impacts the total return that will result in investing in near month futures contracts and rolling those contracts forward each month is the price relationship between the current near month contract and the next month contract. If, for example, the price of the near month contract is higher than the next month contract (a situation referred to as backwardation in the futures market), then absent any other change there is a tendency for the price of a next month contract to rise in value as it becomes the near month contract (a situation referred to as contango in the futures market), then absent any other change to as contango in the futures market), then absent any other change to as contango in the futures market), then absent any other change there is a contango in the futures market), then absent any other contract and approaches expiration.

As an example, assume that the price of natural gas for immediate delivery (the spot price), was \$7 per 10,000 mmBtu, and the value of a position in the near month futures contract was also \$7. Over time, the price of 10,000 mmBtu of natural gas will fluctuate based on a number of market factors, including demand for natural gas relative to its supply. The value of the near month contract will likewise fluctuate in reaction to a number of market factors. If investors seek to maintain their holding in a near month contract position and not take delivery of the natural gas, every month they must sell their current near month contract as it approaches expiration and invest in the next month contract.

If the futures market is in backwardation, e.g., when the expected price of natural gas in the future would be less, the investor would be buying next month contracts for a lower price than the current near month contract. Hypothetically, and assuming no other changes to either prevailing natural gas prices or the price relationship between the spot price, the near month contract and the next month contract (and ignoring the impact of commission costs and the interest earned on Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents), the value of the next month contract would rise as it approaches expiration and becomes the new near month contract. In this example, the value of the \$7 investment would tend to rise faster than the spot price of natural gas, or fall slower. As a result, it would be possible in this hypothetical example for the price of spot natural gas to have risen to \$9 after some period of time, while the value of the investment in the futures contract would have risen to \$10, assuming backwardation is large enough or enough time has elapsed. Similarly, the spot price of natural gas could have fallen to \$5 while the value of an investment in the futures contract could have fallen to only \$6. Over time, if backwardation remained constant, the difference would continue to increase.

If the futures market is in contango, the investor would be buying next month contracts for a higher price than the current near month contract. Hypothetically, and assuming no other changes to either prevailing natural gas prices or

the price relationship between the spot price, the near month contract and the next month contract (and ignoring the impact of commission costs and the interest earned on cash), the value of the next month contract would fall as it approaches expiration and becomes the new near month contract. In this example, it would mean that the value of the \$7 investment would tend to rise slower than the spot price of natural gas, or fall faster. As a result, it would be possible in this hypothetical example for the spot price of natural gas to have risen to \$9 after some period of time, while the value of the investment in the futures

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contract would have risen to only \$8, assuming contango is large enough or enough time has elapsed. Similarly, the spot price of natural gas could have fallen to \$6 while the value of an investment in the futures contract could have fallen to \$7. Over time, if contango remained constant, the difference would continue to increase.

The chart below compares the price of the near month contract to the price of the second month contract over the last 10 years (1999-2008). When the price of the near month contract is higher than the price of the second contract, the market would be described as being in backwardation. When the price of the near month contract is lower than the price of the second month contract, the market would be described as being in contango. Although the prices of the near month contract and the price of the second month contract do tend to move up or down together, it can be seen that at times the near month prices are clearly higher than the price of the second month contract (backwardation), and other times they are below the price of the second month contract (contango). In addition, investors can observe that natural gas prices, both front month and second month, often display a seasonal pattern in which the price of natural gas, which typically peaks in the winter.

PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS

Another way to view backwardation and contango data over time is to subtract the dollar price of the near month natural gas Futures Contract from the dollar price of the second month natural gas Futures Contract. If the resulting number is a positive number, then the near month price is higher than the price of the second month and the market could be described as being in backwardation. If the resulting number is a negative number, than the near month price is lower than the price of the second month and the market could be described as being in contango. The chart below shows the results from subtracting the near month price from the price of the second month contract for the 10 year period between 1999 and 2008. Investors will note that the natural gas market spent time in both backwardation and contango. Investors will further note that the markets display a seasonal pattern that corresponds to the seasonal demand patterns for natural gas above. That is, in many, but not all, cases the price of the second month is higher than the front month during the approach to the winter months as the price of natural gas for delivery in those winter months rises on expectations of demand. At the same time, the price of a second month contract whose delivery falls during the winter season.

PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS

Historically, the natural gas futures markets have experienced periods of contango and backwardation. Because natural gas demand is seasonal, it is possible for the price of Futures Contracts for delivery within one or two months to rapidly move from backwardation into contango and back again within a relatively short period of time of less than one year. While the investment objective of USNG is not to have the market price of its units match, dollar for dollar, changes in the spot price of natural gas, contango has impacted the total return on an investment in USNG units during the year ended December 31, 2008 relative to a hypothetical direct investment in natural gas. For example, an investment in USNG units made on December 31, 2007 and held to December 31, 2008 decreased, based upon the changes in the NAV for USNG units on those days, by approximately 41%, while the spot price of natural gas for immediate delivery during the same period decreased by approximately 25% (note: this comparison ignores the potential costs associated with physically owning and storing natural gas, which could be substantial). By comparison, during the period from April 18, 2007 to December 31, 2007, contango has impacted the total return on an investment in USNG units relative to a hypothetical direct investment in natural gas. For example, an investment in USNG units made on April 18, 2007 and held to December 31, 2007 decreased, based upon the changes in the NAV for USNG units on those days, by approximately 28%, while the spot price of natural gas for immediate delivery during the same period decreased by approximately 1% (note: this comparison ignores the potential costs associated with physically owning and storing natural gas, which could be substantial).

Periods of contango or backwardation do not materially impact USNG s investment objective of having percentage changes in its per unit NAV track percentage changes in the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract since the impact of backwardation and contango tended to equally impact the percentage changes in price of both USNG s units and the Benchmark Futures Contract. It is impossible to predict with any degree of certainty whether backwardation or contango will occur in the future. It is likely that both conditions will occur during different periods and, because of the seasonal nature of natural gas demand, both may occur within a single year s time.

Marking-to-Market Futures Positions. Futures Contracts are marked to market at the end of each trading day and the margin required with respect to such contracts is adjusted accordingly. This process of marking-to-market is designed to prevent losses from accumulating in any futures account. Therefore, if USNG s futures positions have declined in value, USNG may be required to post additional variation margin to cover this decline. Alternatively, if USNG futures positions have increased in value, this increase will be credited to USNG s account.

What is the Natural Gas Market and the Petroleum-Based Fuel Market?

Natural Gas. Natural gas accounts for almost a quarter of U.S. energy consumption. The price of natural gas is established by the supply and demand conditions in the North American market, and more particularly, in the main refining center of the U.S. Gulf Coast. The natural gas market essentially constitutes an auction, where the highest bidder wins the supply. When markets are strong (i.e., when demand is high and/or supply is low), the bidder must be willing to pay a higher premium to capture the supply. When markets are weak (i.e., when demand is low and/or supply is high), a bidder may choose not to outbid competitors, waiting instead for later, possibly lower priced, supplies. Demand for natural gas by consumers, as well as agricultural, manufacturing and transportation industries, determines overall demand for natural gas. Since the precursors of product demand are linked to economic activity, natural gas demand will tend to reflect economic conditions. However, other factors such as weather significantly influence natural gas demand.

The NYMEX is the world s largest physical commodity futures exchange and the dominant market for the trading of energy and precious metals. The Benchmark Futures Contract trades in units of 10,000 mmBtu and is based on delivery at the Henry Hub in Louisiana, the nexus of 16 intra- and interstate natural gas pipeline systems that draw supplies from the region s prolific gas deposits. The pipelines serve markets throughout the U.S. East Coast, the Gulf Coast, the Midwest, and up to the Canadian border. Because of the volatility of natural gas prices, a vigorous basis market has developed in the pricing relationships between the Henry Hub and other important natural gas market centers in the continental United States and Canada. The NYMEX makes available for trading a series of basis swap futures contracts that are quoted as price differentials between approximately 30 natural gas pricing points and the Henry Hub. The basis contracts trade in units of 2,500 mmBtu on the NYMEX ClearPort® trading platform. The NYMEX ClearPort® is an electronic trading platform through which a slate of energy futures contracts are available for competitive trading. Transactions can also be consummated off-NYMEX and submitted to the NYMEX for clearing via the NYMEX ClearPort® clearing website as an exchange of futures for physicals or an exchange of futures for swaps transactions.

Light, Sweet Crude Oil. Crude oil is the world s most actively traded commodity. The futures contracts for light, sweet crude oil that are traded on the NYMEX are the world s most liquid forum for crude oil trading, as well as the world s largest volume futures contract trading on a physical commodity. Due to the liquidity and price transparency of oil futures contracts, they are used as a principal international pricing benchmark. The oil Futures Contracts for light, sweet crude oil trade on the NYMEX in units of 1,000 U.S. barrels (42,000 gallons) and, if not closed out before maturity, will result in delivery of oil to Cushing, Oklahoma, which is also accessible to the international spot markets by two major interstate petroleum pipeline systems.

Demand for petroleum products by consumers, as well as agricultural, manufacturing and transportation industries, determines demand for crude oil by refiners. Since the precursors of product demand are linked to economic activity, crude oil demand will tend to reflect economic conditions. However, other factors such as weather also influence product and crude oil demand.

Crude oil supply is determined by both economic and political factors. Oil prices (along with drilling costs, availability of attractive prospects for drilling, taxes and technology, among other factors) determine exploration and development spending, which influence output capacity with a lag. In the short run, production decisions by OPEC also affect supply and prices. Oil export embargoes and the current conflict in Iraq represent other routes through which political developments move the market. It is not possible to predict the aggregate effect of all or any combination of these factors.

In Europe, Brent crude oil is the standard for futures contracts traded on the ICE Futures, an electronic marketplace for energy trading and price discovery. Brent crude oil is the price reference for two-thirds of the world s traded oil.

Heating Oil. Heating oil, also known as No. 2 fuel oil, accounts for 25% of the yield of a barrel of crude oil, the second largest cut from oil after gasoline. The heating oil futures contract, listed and traded on the NYMEX, trades in units of 42,000 gallons (1,000 barrels) and is based on delivery in the New York harbor, the principal cash market center. The price of heating oil has historically been volatile.

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Gasoline. Gasoline is the largest single volume refined product sold in the U.S. and accounts for almost half of national oil consumption. The gasoline futures contract, listed and traded on the NYMEX, trades in units of 42,000 gallons (1,000 barrels) and is based on delivery at petroleum products terminals in the New York harbor, the major East Coast trading center for imports and domestic shipments from refineries in the New York harbor area or from the Gulf Coast refining centers. The price of gasoline is volatile.

The chart below illustrates the historical correlation between the Benchmark Futures Contracts and certain other fuel-based commodity futures contracts in which USNG may invest. These correlations are relevant because the General Partner endeavors to invest USNG s assets in Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas Interests so that daily changes in USNG s NAV correlate as closely as possible with daily changes in the price of the Benchmark Futures Contracts. If certain other fuel-based commodity futures contracts do not closely correlate with the Futures Contracts then their use could lead to greater tracking error. As noted, the General Partner also believes that the changes in the price of the Benchmark Futures Contracts will closely correlate with changes in the spot price of natural gas. Assuming that the units value tracks the Benchmark Futures Contracts as intended, the stated objective of USNG for the units NAV to reflect the performance of the spot price of natural gas would be met if the trend reflected over the past ten years were to continue. However, there is no guarantee that such trend will continue. The degree of correlation varies both among the different commodities and also varies over time. As such, the use of any energy related commodity to hedge a different energy commodity can only produce, at best, an imperfect hedge. The following price graph is scaled so all contracts start at the same level at year end 1995, except for the current gasoline futures contract, whose price series began in 2005. To obtain the monthly average prices presented below, USNG added the closing prices for every day in each month then divided that number by the total number of days in that month.

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Why Does USNG Purchase and Sell Futures Contracts?

USNG s investment objective is to have the changes in percentage terms of its units NAV reflect the changes in percentage terms of the Benchmark Futures Contract, less USNG s expenses. USNG invests primarily in Futures Contracts. USNG seeks to have its aggregate NAV approximate at all times the aggregate market value of the Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments it holds.

Other than investing in Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, USNG only invests in assets to support these investments in Natural Gas Interests. At any given time, most of USNG s investments are in Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents that serve as segregated assets supporting USNG s positions in Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments. For example, the purchase of a Futures Contract with a stated value of \$10 million would not require USNG to pay \$10 million upon entering into the contract; rather, only a margin deposit, generally of 5% to 10% of the stated value of the Futures Contract, would be required. To secure its Futures Contract obligations, USNG would deposit the required margin with the futures commission merchant and would separately hold, through its Custodian, Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents in an amount equal to the balance of the current market value of the contract, which at the contract s inception would be \$10 million minus the amount of the margin deposit, or \$9.5 million (assuming a 5% margin).

As a result of the foregoing, typically between 5% and 10% of USNG s assets are held as margin in segregated accounts with a futures commission merchant. In addition to the Treasuries and cash it posts with the futures commission merchant for the Futures Contracts it owns, USNG holds, through the Custodian, Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents that can be posted as additional margin or as collateral to support its over-the-counter contracts. USNG earns interest income from the Treasuries and/or cash equivalents that it purchases, and on the cash it holds through the Custodian. USNG anticipates that the earned interest income will increase the NAV and limited partners capital contribution accounts. USNG reinvests the earned interest income, holds it in cash, or uses it to pay its expenses. If USNG reinvests the earned interest income, it makes investments that are consistent with its investment objectives.

What is the Flow of Units?

What are the Trading Policies of USNG?

Liquidity

USNG invests only in Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments that are traded in sufficient volume to permit, in the opinion of the General Partner, ease of taking and liquidating positions in these financial interests.

Spot Commodities

While the natural gas futures contracts traded on the NYMEX can be physically settled, USNG does not intend to take or make physical delivery. USNG may from time to time trade in Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, including contracts based on the spot price of natural gas.

Leverage

The General Partner endeavors to have the value of USNG s Treasuries, cash and cash equivalents, whether held by USNG or posted as margin or collateral, at all times approximate the aggregate market value of USNG s obligations under its Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments.

Borrowings

Borrowings are not used by USNG, unless USNG is required to borrow money in the event of physical delivery, if USNG trades in cash commodities, or for short-term needs created by unexpected redemptions. USNG expects to have the value of its Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents whether held by USNG or posted as margin or collateral, at all times approximate the aggregate market value of its obligations under its Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments. USNG has not established and does not plan to establish credit lines.

Over-the-Counter Derivatives (Including Spreads and Straddles)

In addition to Futures Contracts, there are also a number of listed options on the Futures Contracts on the principal futures exchanges. These contracts offer investors and hedgers another set of financial vehicles to use in managing exposure to the natural gas market. Consequently, USNG may purchase options on natural gas Futures Contracts on these exchanges in pursuing its investment objective.

In addition to the Futures Contracts and options on the Futures Contracts, there also exists an active non-exchange-traded market in derivatives tied to natural gas. These derivatives transactions (also known as over-the-counter contracts) are usually entered into between two parties. Unlike most of the exchange-traded Futures Contracts or exchange-traded options on the Futures Contracts, each party to such contract bears the credit risk that the other party may not be able to perform its obligations under its contract.

Some natural gas-based derivatives transactions contain fairly generic terms and conditions and are available from a wide range of participants. Other natural gas-based derivatives have highly customized terms and conditions and are not as widely available. Many of these over-the-counter contracts are cash-settled forwards for the future delivery of natural gas- or petroleum-based fuels that have terms similar to the Futures Contracts. Others take the form of swaps in which the two parties exchange cash flows based on pre-determined formulas tied to the natural gas spot price,

forward natural gas price, the Benchmark Futures Contract price, or other natural gas futures contract price. For example, USNG may enter into over-the-counter derivative contracts whose value will be tied to changes in the difference between the natural gas spot price, the Benchmark Futures Contract price, or some other futures contract price traded on the NYMEX or the ICE Futures and the price of other Futures Contracts that may be invested in by USNG.

To protect itself from the credit risk that arises in connection with such contracts, USNG may enter into agreements with each counterparty that provide for the netting of its overall exposure to its counterparty, such as the agreements published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. USNG also may require that the counterparty be highly rated and/or provide collateral or other credit support to address USNG s exposure to the counterparty.

The creditworthiness of each potential counterparty is assessed by the General Partner. The General Partner assesses or reviews, as appropriate, the creditworthiness of each potential or existing counterparty to

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an over-the-counter contract pursuant to guidelines approved by the General Partner s Board of Directors. Furthermore, the General Partner on behalf of USNG only enters into over-the-counter contracts with counterparties who are, or affiliates of, (a) banks regulated by a United States federal bank regulator, (b) broker-dealers regulated by the SEC, (c) insurance companies domiciled in the United States, and (d) producers, users or traders of energy, whether or not regulated by the CFTC. Any entity acting as a counterparty shall be regulated in either the United States or the United Kingdom unless otherwise approved by the General Partner s Board of Directors after consultation with its legal counsel. Existing counterparties are also reviewed periodically by the General Partner.

The use of Other Natural Gas-Related Investments together with its investments in Futures Contracts produce price and total return results that closely track the investment goals of USNG.

USNG may employ spreads or straddles in its trading to mitigate the differences in its investment portfolio and its goal of tracking the price of the Benchmark Futures Contract. USNG would use a spread when it chooses to take simultaneous long and short positions in futures written on the same underlying asset, but with different delivery months. The effect of holding such combined positions is to adjust the sensitivity of USNG to changes in the price relationship between futures contracts which will expire sooner and those that will expire later. USNG would use such a spread if the General Partner feels that taking such long and short positions, when combined with the rest of its holdings, would more closely track the investment goals of USNG, or if the General Partner felt it would lead to an overall lower cost of trading to achieve a given level of economic exposure to movements in natural gas prices. USNG would enter into a straddle when it chooses to take an option position consisting of a long (or short) position in both a call option and put option. The economic effect of holding certain combinations of put options and call options can be very similar to that of owning the underlying futures contracts. USNG would make use of such a straddle approach if, in the opinion of the General Partner, the resulting combination would more closely track the investment goals of using to achieve a given level of economic exposure to movement goals of using the underlying futures contracts. USNG would make use of such a straddle approach if, in the opinion of the General Partner, the resulting combination would more closely track the investment goals of using to achieve a given level of economic exposure to movements in natural gas prices.

USNG has not employed any hedging methods since all of its investments have been made over an exchange. Therefore, USNG has not been exposed to counterparty risk.

Pyramiding

USNG does not and will not employ the technique, commonly known as pyramiding, in which the speculator uses unrealized profits on existing positions as variation margin for the purchase or sale of additional positions in the same or another commodity interest.

Who are the Service Providers?

Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. is the registrar and transfer agent for the units. Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. is also the Custodian for USNG. In this capacity, Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. holds USNG s Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents pursuant to a custodial agreement. In addition, in its capacity as Administrator for USNG, Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. performs certain administrative and accounting services for USNG and prepares certain SEC and CFTC reports on behalf of USNG. The General Partner pays Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. s fees for these services. Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. s principal business address is 50 Milk Street, Boston, MA 02109-3661.
Brown Brothers Harriman & Co., a private bank founded in 1818, is not a publicly held company nor is it insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. is authorized to conduct a commercial banking business in accordance with the provisions of Article IV of the New York State Banking Law, New York Banking Law §160 181, and is subject to regulation, supervision, and examination by the New York State Banking

Department. Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. is also licensed to conduct a commercial banking business by the Commonwealths of Massachusetts and Pennsylvania and is subject to supervision and examination by the banking supervisors of those states.

USNG also employs ALPS Distributors, Inc. as a Marketing Agent, which is further discussed under What is the Plan of Distribution? The General Partner pays ALPS Distributors, Inc. s fees. In no event may the aggregate compensation paid to the Marketing Agent and any affiliate of the General Partner for distribution-related services in connection with the offering of units exceed ten percent (10%) of the gross proceeds of the offering.

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ALPS s principal business address is 1290 Broadway, Suite 1100, Denver, CO 80203. ALPS is the marketing agent for USNG. ALPS is a registered broker-dealer with FINRA and a member of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation.

USNG and the futures commission merchant, UBS Securities LLC (UBS Securities) have entered into an Institutional Futures Client Account Agreement. This Agreement requires UBS Securities to provide services to USNG in connection with the purchase and sale of natural gas interests that may be purchased or sold by or through UBS Securities for USNG s account. USNG pays UBS Securities commissions for executing and clearing trades on behalf of USNG.

UBS Securities is not affiliated with USNG or the General Partner. Therefore, USNG does not believe that USNG has any conflicts of interest with them or their trading principals arising from their acting as USNG s futures commission merchant.

UBS Securities principal business address is 677 Washington Blvd, Stamford, CT 06901. UBS Securities is a futures clearing broker for the USNG. UBS Securities is registered in the US with FINRA as a Broker- Dealer and with the CFTC as a Futures Commission Merchant. UBS Securities is a member of various US futures and securities exchanges.

UBS Securities is the defendant in two purported securities class actions pending in District Court of the Northern District of Alabama, brought by holders of stocks and bonds of HealthSouth, captioned <u>In re HealthSouth Corporation</u> <u>Stockholder</u>, No. CV-03-BE-1501-S and <u>In re HealthSouth Corporation Bondholder Litigation</u>, No. CV-03-BE-1502-S. Both complaints assert liability under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

UBS Securities has been responding to investigations by the SEC and the United States Attorney s Office for the Eastern District of New York regarding UBS s valuation of U.S. mortgage-backed securities and derivatives, and compliance with public disclosure rules. These investigations are ongoing.

On June 27, 2007, the Securities Division of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (Massachusetts Securities Division) filed an administrative complaint (the Complaint) and notice of adjudicatory proceeding against UBS Securities LLC, captioned In The Matter of UBS Securities, LLC, Docket No. E-2007-0049, which alleges, in sum and substance, that UBS Securities has been violating the Massachusetts Uniform Securities Act (the Act) and related regulations by providing the advisers for certain hedge funds with gifts and gratuities in the form of below market office rents, personal loans with below market interest rates, event tickets, and other perks, in order to induce those hedge fund advisers to increase or retain their level of prime brokerage fees paid to UBS Securities. The Complaint seeks a cease and desist order from conduct that violates the Act and regulations, to censure UBS Securities, to require UBS Securities to pay an administrative fine of an unspecified amount, and to find as fact the allegations of the Complaint.

On June 26, 2008, the Massachusetts Securities Division filed an administrative complaint and notice of adjudicatory proceeding against UBS Securities and UBS Financial Services, Inc. (UBS Financial), captioned In the Matter of UBS Securities, LLC and UBS Financial Services, Inc., Docket No. 2008-0045, which alleged that UBS Securities and UBS Financial violated the Act in connection with the marketing and sale of auction rate securities.

On July 22, 2008, the Texas State Securities board filed an administrative proceeding against UBS Securities and UBS Financial captioned the Matter of the Dealer Registrations of UBS Financial Services, Inc. and UBS Securities LLC, SOAH Docket No. 312-08-3918, SSB Docket No. 08-IC04, alleging violations of the anti-fraud provision of the Texas Securities Act in connection with the marketing and sale of auction rate securities.

On July 24, 2008 the New York Attorney General (NYAG) filed a complaint in Supreme Court of the State of New York against UBS Securities and UBS Financial captioned State of New York v. UBS Securities LLC and UBS Financial Services, Inc., No. 650262/2008, in connection with UBS s marketing and sale of auction rate securities. The complaint alleges violations of the anti-fraud provisions of New York state statutes and seeks a judgment ordering that the firm buy back auction rate securities from investors at par, disgorgement, restitution and other remedies.

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On August 8, 2008, UBS Securities and UBS Financial reached agreements in principle with the SEC, the NYAG, the Massachusetts Securities Division and other state regulatory agencies represented by the North American Securities Administrators Association (NASAA) to restore liquidity to all remaining client s holdings of auction rate securities by June 30, 2012. On August 20, 2008, the Texas proceeding was dismissed and withdrawn. On October 2, 2008, UBS Securities and UBS Financial entered into a final consent agreement with the Massachusetts Securities Division settling all allegations in the Massachusetts Securities Division s administrative proceeding against UBS Securities and UBS Financial with regards to the auction rate securities matter. On December 11, 2008, UBS Securities and UBS Financial executed an Assurance of Discontinuance in the auction rate securities settlement with the NYAG. On the same day, UBS Securities and UBS Financial finalized settlements with the SEC.

On August 14, 2008 the New Hampshire Bureau of Securities Regulation filed an administrative action against UBS Securities relating to a student loan issuer, the New Hampshire Higher Education Loan Corp. (NHHELCO). The complaint alleges fraudulent and unethical conduct in violation of New Hampshire state statues. The complaint seeks an administrative fine, a cease and desist order, and restitution to NHHELCO. The claim does not impact the global settlement with the SEC, NYAG and NASAA relating to the marketing and sale of ARS to investors.

Further, UBS Securities, like most full service investment banks and broker-dealers, receives inquiries and is sometimes involved in investigations by the SEC, FINRA, NYSE and various other regulatory organizations, exchanges and government agencies. UBS Securities fully cooperates with the authorities in all such requests. UBS Securities regularly discloses to the FINRA arbitration awards, disciplinary action and regulatory events. These disclosures are publicly available on the FINRA s website at *www.finra.org*. Actions with respect to UBS Securities futures commission merchant business are publicly available on the website of the National Futures Association (*http://www.nfa.futures.org/*).

UBS Securities will act only as clearing broker for USNG and as such will be paid commissions for executing and clearing trades on behalf of USNG. UBS Securities has not passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. UBS Securities neither will act in any supervisory capacity with respect to the General Partner nor participate in the management of USNG.

Currently, the General Partner does not employ commodity trading advisors. If, in the future, the General Partner does employ commodity trading advisors, it will choose each advisor based on arms-length negotiations and will consider the advisor s experience, fees, and reputation.

Fees of USNG

Fees and Compensation Arrangements with the General Partner and Non-Affiliated Service Providers

Service Provider Brown Brothers Harriman & Co., Custodian and Administrator Compensation Paid by the General Partner

Minimum amount of \$75,000 annually* for its custody, fund accounting and fund administration services rendered to all funds, as well as a \$20,000 annual fee for its transfer agency services. In addition, an asset-based charge of (a) 0.06% for the first \$500 million of USNG and the Related Public Funds combined net assets, (b) 0.0465% for USNG and the Related Public Funds combined net assets greater than \$500 million but less than \$1 billion, and (c) 0.035% once

	USNG and the Related Public Funds combined net assets exceed \$1 billion.**
ALPS Distributors, Inc., Marketing Agent	0.06% on assets up to \$3 billion; 0.04% on assets in excess of \$3 billion.**
The annual minimum amount will	not apply if the asset-based charge for all accounts in the aggregate exceeds

The annual minimum amount will not apply if the asset-based charge for all accounts in the aggregate exceeds *\$125,000. The General Partner also will pay transaction charge fees to Brown Brothers, ranging from \$7.00 to \$15.00 per transaction for the funds.

** The General Partner pays this compensation.

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Compensation to the General Partner

Assets Management Fee First \$1,000,000,000 0.60% of NAV After the first \$1,000,000,000 0.50% of NAV Fees and Compensation Arrangement with USNG and Non-Affiliated Service Providers**

Service Provider	Compensation Paid by USNG
Non-Affiliated Brokers	Approximately 0.14% of assets (including futures commission merchant fees of approximately \$3.50 per buy or sell)

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USNG pays this compensation.

New York Mercantile Exchange Licensing Fee

AssetsManagement FeeFirst \$1,000,000,0000.04% of NAVAfter the first \$1,000,000,0000.02% of NAVAssets of USNG are aggregated with those of the Related Public Funds. USNG pays its pro rata share of this fee.

Fees are calculated on a daily basis (accrued at 1/365 of the applicable percentage of NAV on that day) and paid on a monthly basis.

USNG:

Expenses Paid by USNG through December 31, 2008 in dollar terms:

Expenses:	Amount in Dollar Terms
Amount Paid to General Partner:	\$ 5,613,585
Amount Paid in Portfolio Brokerage Commissions:	\$ 1,218,485
Other Amounts Paid or Accrued:	\$ 2,242,063
Total Expenses Paid or Accrued:	\$ 9,074,133
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Expenses Paid by USNG through December 31, 2008 as a Percentage of Average Daily Net Assets:

Expenses:
General Partner: Portfolio Brokerage Commissions: Other Amounts Paid or Accrued: Total Expense Ratio:

Amount as a Percentage of Average Daily Net Assets 0.60% annualized 0.14% annualized 0.23% annualized 0.97% annualized

Compensation to the General Partner

Other Fees

USNG also pays the fees and expenses associated with its tax accounting and reporting requirements with the exception of certain initial implementation services fees and base services fees which were paid by the General Partner. These fees were approximately \$1,150,000 in 2008. In addition, USNG is responsible for the fees and expenses, which may include directors and officers liability insurance, of the independent directors of the General Partner in connection with their activities with respect to USNG. These director fees and expenses may be shared with other funds managed by the General Partner. These fees and expenses for 2008 were \$282,000, and USNG s portion of such fees was \$130,371.

Form of Units

Registered Form. Units are issued in registered form in accordance with the LP Agreement. The Administrator has been appointed registrar and transfer agent for the purpose of transferring units in certificated form. The Administrator keeps a record of all limited partners and holders of the units in certificated form in the registry (Register). The General Partner recognizes transfers of units in certificated form

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only if done in accordance with the LP Agreement. The beneficial interests in such units are held in book-entry form through participants and/or accountholders in DTC.

Book-Entry. Individual certificates are not issued for the units. Instead, units are represented by one or more global certificates, which are deposited by the Administrator with DTC and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC. The global certificates evidence all of the units outstanding at any time. Unitholders are limited to (1) participants in DTC such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies (DTC Participants), (2) those who maintain, either directly or indirectly, a custodial relationship with a DTC Participant (Indirect Participants), and (3) those banks, brokers, dealers, trust companies and others who hold interests in the units through DTC Participants or Indirect Participants, in each case who satisfy the requirements for transfers of units. DTC Participants acting on behalf of investors holding units through such Participants accounts in DTC will follow the delivery practice applicable to securities eligible for DTC s Same-Day Funds Settlement System. Units are credited to DTC Participants securities accounts following confirmation of receipt of payment.

DTC. DTC is a limited purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York and is a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a clearing agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds securities for DTC Participants and facilitates the clearance and settlement of transactions between DTC Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of DTC Participants.

Transfer of Units

Transfers of Units Only Through DTC. The units are only transferable through the book-entry system of DTC. Limited partners who are not DTC Participants may transfer their units through DTC by instructing the DTC Participant holding their units (or by instructing the Indirect Participant or other entity through which their units are held) to transfer the units. Transfers are made in accordance with standard securities industry practice.

Transfers of interests in units with DTC are made in accordance with the usual rules and operating procedures of DTC and the nature of the transfer. DTC has established procedures to facilitate transfers among the participants and/or accountholders of DTC. Because DTC can only act on behalf of DTC Participants, who in turn act on behalf of Indirect Participants, the ability of a person or entity having an interest in a global certificate to pledge such interest to persons or entities that do not participate in DTC, or otherwise take actions in respect of such interest, may be affected by the lack of a definitive security in respect of such interest.

DTC has advised us that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a unitholder (including, without limitation, the presentation of a global certificate for exchange) only at the direction of one or more DTC Participants in whose account with DTC interests in global certificates are credited and only in respect of such portion of the aggregate principal amount of the global certificate as to which such DTC Participants or Participants has or have given such direction.

Transfer/Application Requirements. All purchasers of USNG s units, and potentially any purchasers of units in the future, who wish to become limited partners or other record holders and receive cash distributions, if any, or have certain other rights, must deliver an executed transfer application in which the purchaser or transferee must certify that, among other things, he, she or it agrees to be bound by USNG s LP Agreement and is eligible to purchase USNG s securities. Each purchaser of units offered by this prospectus must execute a transfer application and certification. The obligation to provide the form of transfer application is imposed on the seller of units or, if a purchase of units is made

through an exchange, the form may be obtained directly through USNG. Further, the General Partner may request

each record holder to furnish certain information, including that record holder s nationality, citizenship or other related status. A record holder is a unitholder that is, or has applied to be, a limited partner. An investor who is not a U.S. resident may not be eligible to become a record holder or one of USNG s limited partners if that investor s ownership would subject USNG to the risk of cancellation or forfeiture of any of USNG s assets under any federal, state or local law or regulation. If the record holder fails to furnish the information or if the General Partner determines, on the basis of the information furnished by the holder in response to the request, that such holder is

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not qualified to become one of USNG s limited partners, the General Partner may be substituted as a holder for the record holder, who will then be treated as a non-citizen assignee, and USNG will have the right to redeem those securities held by the record holder.

A transferee s broker, agent or nominee may complete, execute and deliver a transfer application and certification. USNG may, at its discretion, treat the nominee holder of a unit as the absolute owner. In that case, the beneficial holder s rights are limited solely to those that it has against the nominee holder as a result of any agreement between the beneficial owner and the nominee holder.

A person purchasing USNG s existing units, who does not execute a transfer application and certify that the purchaser is eligible to purchase those securities acquires no rights in those securities other than the right to resell those securities. Whether or not a transfer application is received or the consent of the General Partner obtained, our units are securities and are transferable according to the laws governing transfers of securities.

Any transfer of units will not be recorded by the transfer agent or recognized by the General Partner unless a completed transfer application is delivered to the General Partner or the Administrator. When acquiring units, the transferee of such units that completes a transfer application will:

be an assignee until admitted as a substituted limited partner upon the consent and sole discretion of the General Partner and the recording of the assignment on the books and records of the partnership;

automatically request admission as a substituted limited partner;

agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of, and execute, our LP Agreement;

represent that such transferee has the capacity and authority to enter into our LP Agreement;

grant powers of attorney to our General Partner and any liquidator of us; and

make the consents and waivers contained in our LP Agreement.

An assignee will become a limited partner in respect of the transferred units upon the consent of our General Partner and the recordation of the name of the assignee on our books and records. Such consent may be withheld in the sole discretion of our General Partner.

If consent of the General Partner is withheld such transferee shall be an assignee. An assignee shall have an interest in the partnership equivalent to that of a limited partner with respect to allocations and distributions, including, without limitation, liquidating distributions, of the partnership. With respect to voting rights attributable to units that are held by assignees, the General Partner shall be deemed to be the limited partner with respect thereto and shall, in exercising the voting rights in respect of such units on any matter, vote such units at the written direction of the assignee who is the recordholder of such units. If no such written direction is received, such units will not be voted. An assignee shall have no other rights of a limited partner.

Until a unit has been transferred on our books, we and the transfer agent may treat the record holder of the unit as the absolute owner for all purposes, except as otherwise required by law or stock exchange regulations.

Withdrawal of Limited Partners

As discussed in the LP Agreement, if the General Partner gives at least fifteen (15) days written notice to a limited partner, then the General Partner may for any reason, in its sole discretion, require any such limited partner to withdraw entirely from the partnership or to withdraw a portion of its partner capital account. If the General Partner does not give at least fifteen (15) days written notice to a limited partner, then it may only require withdrawal of all or any portion of the capital account of any limited partner in the following circumstances: (i) the unitholder made a

misrepresentation to the General Partner in connection with its purchase of units; or (ii) the limited partner s ownership of units would result in the violation of any law or regulations applicable to the partnership or a partner. In these circumstances, the General Partner without notice may require the withdrawal at any time, or retroactively. The limited partner thus designated shall withdraw from the partnership or withdraw that portion of its partner capital account specified, as the case may be, as of the close of business on such date as determined by the General Partner. The limited partner

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thus designated shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the partnership or to have made a partial withdrawal from its partner capital account, as the case may be, without further action on the part of the limited partner and the provisions of the LP Agreement shall apply.

What is the Plan of Distribution?

Buying and Selling Units

Most investors buy and sell units of USNG in secondary market transactions through brokers. Units trade on the NYSE Area under the ticker symbol UNG. Units are bought and sold throughout the trading day like other publicly traded securities. When buying or selling units through a broker, most investors incur customary brokerage commissions and charges. Investors are encouraged to review the terms of their brokerage account for details on applicable charges.

Marketing Agent and Authorized Purchasers

The offering of USNG s units is a best efforts offering. USNG is continuously offering Creation Baskets consisting of 100,000 units through the Marketing Agent, to Authorized Purchasers. Merrill Lynch Professional Clearing Corp. was the initial Authorized Purchaser. The initial Authorized Purchaser purchased the initial Creation Basket of 100,000 units at USNG s NAV on April 17, 2007. Authorized Purchasers pay a \$1,000 fee for each order to create one or more Creation Baskets. The Marketing Agent receives, for its services as marketing agent to USNG, a marketing fee of 0.06% on USNG s assets up to \$3 billion and 0.04% on USNG s assets in excess of \$3 billion; provided, however, that in no event may the aggregate compensation paid to the Marketing Agent and any affiliate of the General Partner for distribution-related services in connection with this offering of units exceed ten percent (10%) of the gross proceeds of this offering.

The offering of baskets is being made in compliance with Conduct Rule 2810 of FINRA. Accordingly, Authorized Purchasers will not make any sales to any account over which they have discretionary authority without the prior written approval of a purchaser of units.

The per unit price of units offered in Creation Baskets on any subsequent day will be the total NAV of USNG calculated shortly after the close of the NYSE Arca on that day divided by the number of issued and outstanding units. An Authorized Purchaser is not required to sell any specific number or dollar amount of units.

By executing an Authorized Purchaser Agreement, an Authorized Purchaser becomes part of the group of parties eligible to purchase baskets from, and put baskets for redemption to, USNG. An Authorized Purchaser is under no obligation to create or redeem baskets, and an Authorized Purchaser is under no obligation to offer to the public units of any baskets it does create.

A list of Authorized Purchasers is available from the Marketing Agent. Because new units can be created and issued on an ongoing basis, at any point during the life of USNG, a distribution , as such term is used in the 1933 Act, will be occurring. Authorized Purchasers, other broker-dealers and other persons are cautioned that some of their activities may result in their being deemed participants in a distribution in a manner that would render them statutory underwriters and subject them to the prospectus-delivery and liability provisions of the 1933 Act. Authorized Purchasers comply with the prospectus-delivery requirements in connection with the sale of units to customers. For example, an Authorized Purchaser, other broker-dealer firm or its client will be deemed a statutory underwriter if it purchases a basket from USNG, breaks the basket down into the constituent units and sells the units to its customers;

or if it chooses to couple the creation of a supply of new units with an active selling effort involving solicitation of secondary market demand for the units. Authorized Purchasers may also engage in secondary market transactions in units that would not be deemed underwriting. For example, an Authorized Purchaser may act in the capacity of a broker or dealer with respect to units that were previously distributed by other Authorized Purchasers. A determination of whether a particular market participant is an underwriter must take into account all the facts and circumstances pertaining to the activities of the broker-dealer or its client in the particular case, and the examples mentioned above should not be considered a complete description of all the activities that would lead to designation as an underwriter and subject them to the prospectus-delivery and liability provisions of the 1933 Act.

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Dealers who are neither Authorized Purchasers nor underwriters but are nonetheless participating in a distribution (as contrasted to ordinary secondary trading transactions), and thus dealing with units that are part of an unsold allotment within the meaning of Section 4(3)(C) of the 1933 Act, would be unable to take advantage of the prospectus-delivery exemption provided by Section 4(3) of the 1933 Act.

The General Partner may qualify the units in states selected by the General Partner and intends that sales be made through broker-dealers who are members of FINRA. Investors intending to create or redeem baskets through Authorized Purchasers in transactions not involving a broker-dealer registered in such investor s state of domicile or residence should consult their legal advisor regarding applicable broker-dealer or securities regulatory requirements under the state securities laws prior to such creation or redemption.

While the Authorized Purchasers may be indemnified by the General Partner, they are not entitled to receive a discount or commission from USNG for their purchases of Creation Baskets. The difference between the price paid by Authorized Purchasers as underwriters and the price paid to such Authorized Purchasers by investors is deemed underwriting compensation.

Calculating NAV

USNG s NAV is calculated by:

Taking the current market value of its total assets; and Subtracting any liabilities

The Administrator calculates the NAV of USNG once each trading day. The NAV for a particular trading day is released after 4:15 p.m. New York time. It calculates NAV as of the earlier of the close of trading on the NYSE Arca or 4:00 p.m. New York time. Trading on the NYSE Arca typically closes at 4:15 p.m. New York time. The Administrator uses the NYMEX closing price (determined at the earlier of the close of the NYMEX or 2:30 p.m. New York time) for the contracts traded on the NYMEX, but calculates or determines the value of all other USNG investments as of the earlier of the close of the New York Stock Exchange or 4:00 p.m. New York time in accordance with the current Administrative Agency Agreement among Brown Brothers Harriman & Co., USNG and the General Partner.

In addition, in order to provide updated information relating to USNG for use by investors and market professionals, the NYSE Area calculates and disseminates throughout the trading day an updated indicative fund value. The indicative fund value is calculated by using the prior day s closing NAV per unit of USNG as a base and updating that value throughout the trading day to reflect changes in the most recently reported trade price for the active Futures Contract on the NYMEX. The prices reported for the active Futures Contract month are adjusted based on the prior day s spread differential between settlement values for that contract and the spot month contract. In the event that the spot month contract is also the active contract, the last sale price for the active contract is not adjusted. The indicative fund value unit basis disseminated during NYSE Area trading hours should not be viewed as an actual real time update of the NAV, because the NAV is calculated only once at the end of each trading day.

The indicative fund value is disseminated on a per unit basis every 15 seconds during regular NYSE Arca trading hours of 9:30 a.m. New York time to 4:15 p.m. New York time. The normal trading hours of the NYMEX are 10:00 a.m. New York time to 2:30 p.m. New York time. This means that there is a gap in time at the beginning and the end of each day during which USNG s units are traded on the NYSE Arca, but real-time NYMEX trading prices for futures contracts traded on such Exchange are not available. As a result, during those gaps there will be no update to the indicative fund value.

The NYSE Arca disseminates the indicative fund value through the facilities of CTA/CQ High Speed Lines. In addition, the indicative fund value is published on the NYSE Arca s website and is available through on-line information services such as Bloomberg and Reuters.

Dissemination of the indicative fund value provides additional information that is not otherwise available to the public and is useful to investors and market professionals in connection with the trading of USNG units on the NYSE Arca. Investors and market professionals are able throughout the trading day to compare the market price of USNG and the indicative fund value. If the market price of USNG units diverges significantly from the indicative fund value, market professionals will have an incentive to execute arbitrage trades. For

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example, if USNG appears to be trading at a discount compared to the indicative fund value, a market professional could buy USNG units on the NYSE Arca and sell short futures contracts. Such arbitrage trades can tighten the tracking between the market price of USNG and the indicative fund value and thus can be beneficial to all market participants.

In addition, other Futures Contracts, Other Natural Gas-Related Investments and Treasuries held by USNG are valued by the Administrator, using rates and points received from client-approved third party vendors (such as Reuters and WM Company) and advisor quotes. These investments are not included in the indicative value. The indicative fund value is based on the prior day s NAV and moves up and down solely according to changes in the Benchmark Futures Contracts for natural gas traded on the NYMEX.

Creation and Redemption of Units

USNG creates and redeems units from time to time, but only in one or more Creation Baskets or Redemption Baskets. The creation and redemption of baskets are only made in exchange for delivery to USNG or the distribution by USNG of the amount of Treasuries and any cash represented by the baskets being created or redeemed, the amount of which is based on the combined NAV of the number of units included in the baskets being created or redeemed determined as of 4:00 p.m. New York time on the day the order to create or redeem baskets is properly received.

Authorized Purchasers are the only persons that may place orders to create and redeem baskets. Authorized Purchasers must be (1) registered broker-dealers or other securities market participants, such as banks and other financial institutions, that are not required to register as broker-dealers to engage in securities transactions as described below, and (2) DTC Participants. To become an Authorized Purchaser, a person must enter into an Authorized Purchaser Agreement with the General Partner. The Authorized Purchaser Agreement provides the procedures for the creation and redemption of baskets and for the delivery of the Treasuries and any cash required for such creations and redemptions. The Authorized Purchaser Agreement and the related procedures attached thereto may be amended by USNG, without the consent of any limited partner or unitholder or Authorized Purchaser. Authorized Purchasers pay a transaction fee of \$1,000 to USNG for each order they place to create or redeem one or more baskets. Authorized Purchasers who make deposits with USNG in exchange for baskets receive no fees, commissions or other form of compensation or inducement of any kind from either USNG or the General Partner, and no such person will have any obligation or responsibility to the General Partner or USNG to effect any sale or resale of units.

Certain Authorized Purchasers are expected to have the facility to participate directly in the physical natural gas market and the natural gas futures market. In some cases, an Authorized Purchaser or its affiliates may from time to time acquire natural gas or sell natural gas and may profit in these instances. The General Partner believes that the size and operation of the natural gas market make it unlikely that an Authorized Purchaser s direct activities in the natural gas or securities markets will impact the price of natural gas, Futures Contracts, or the price of the units.

Each Authorized Purchaser is required to be registered as a broker-dealer under the Exchange Act and is a member in good standing with FINRA, or exempt from being or otherwise not required to be licensed as a broker-dealer or a member of FINRA, and qualified to act as a broker or dealer in the states or other jurisdictions where the nature of its business so requires. Certain Authorized Purchasers may also be regulated under federal and state banking laws and regulations. Each Authorized Purchaser has its own set of rules and procedures, internal controls and information barriers as it determines is appropriate in light of its own regulatory regime.

Under the Authorized Purchaser Agreement, the General Partner has agreed to indemnify the Authorized Purchasers against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the 1933 Act, and to contribute to the payments the Authorized

Purchasers may be required to make in respect of those liabilities.

The following description of the procedures for the creation and redemption of baskets is only a summary and an investor should refer to the relevant provisions of the LP Agreement and the form of Authorized Purchaser Agreement for more detail, each of which is attached as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. See Where You Can Find More Information for information about where you can obtain the registration statement.

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Creation Procedures

On any business day, an Authorized Purchaser may place an order with the Marketing Agent to create one or more baskets. For purposes of processing purchase and redemption orders, a business day means any day other than a day when any of the NYSE Arca, the NYMEX, or the New York Stock Exchange is closed for regular trading. Purchase orders must be placed by 12:00 p.m. New York time or the close of regular trading on the NYSE Arca, whichever is earlier. The day on which the Marketing Agent receives a valid purchase order is the purchase order date.

By placing a purchase order, an Authorized Purchaser agrees to deposit Treasuries, cash, or a combination of Treasuries and cash, with USNG as described below. Prior to the delivery of baskets for a purchase order, the Authorized Purchaser must also have wired to the Custodian the non-refundable transaction fee due for the purchase order. Authorized Purchasers may not withdraw a creation request.

Determination of Required Deposits

The total deposit required to create each basket (Creation Basket Deposit) is the amount of Treasuries and/or cash that is in the same proportion to the total assets of USNG (net of estimated accrued but unpaid fees, expenses and other liabilities) on the date the order to purchase is accepted as the number of units to be created under the purchase order is in proportion to the total number of units outstanding on the date the order is received. The General Partner determines, directly in its sole discretion or in consultation with the Administrator, the requirements for Treasuries and the amount of cash, including the maximum permitted remaining maturity of a Treasury and proportions of Treasury and cash that may be included in deposits to create baskets. The Marketing Agent will publish such requirements at the beginning of each business day. The amount of cash deposit required is the difference between the aggregate market value of the Treasuries required to be included in a Creation Basket Deposit as of 4:00 p.m. New York time on the date the order to purchase is properly received and the total required deposit.

Delivery of Required Deposits

An Authorized Purchaser who places a purchase order is responsible for transferring to USNG s account with the Custodian the required amount of Treasuries and/or cash by the end of the third business day following the purchase order date. Upon receipt of the deposit amount, the Administrator directs DTC to credit the number of baskets ordered to the Authorized Purchaser s DTC account on the third business day following the purchase order date. The expense and risk of delivery and ownership of Treasuries until such Treasuries have been received by the Custodian on behalf of USNG is borne solely by the Authorized Purchaser.

Because orders to purchase baskets must be placed by 12:00 p.m., New York time, but the total payment required to create a basket during the continuous offering period will not be determined until 4:00 p.m., New York time, on the date the purchase order is received, Authorized Purchasers will not know the total amount of the payment required to create a basket at the time they submit an irrevocable purchase order for the basket. USNG s NAV and the total amount of the payment required to create a basket could rise or fall substantially between the time an irrevocable purchase order is submitted and the time the amount of the purchase price in respect thereof is determined.

Rejection of Purchase Orders

The General Partner acting by itself or through the Marketing Agent may reject a purchase order or a Creation Basket Deposit if:

it determines that the investment alternative available to USNG at that time will not enable it to meet its investment objective;

it determines that the purchase order or the Creation Basket Deposit is not in proper form;

it believes that the purchase order or the Creation Basket Deposit would have adverse tax consequences to USNG or its unitholders;

the acceptance or receipt of the Creation Basket Deposit would, in the opinion of counsel to the General Partner, be unlawful; or

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circumstances outside the control of the General Partner, Marketing Agent or Custodian make it, for all practical purposes, not feasible to process creations of baskets.

None of the General Partner, Marketing Agent or Custodian will be liable for the rejection of any purchase order or Creation Basket Deposit.

Redemption Procedures

The procedures by which an Authorized Purchaser can redeem one or more baskets mirror the procedures for the creation of baskets. On any business day, an Authorized Purchaser may place an order with the Marketing Agent to redeem one or more baskets. Redemption orders must be placed by 12:00 p.m. New York time or the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange, whichever is earlier. A redemption order so received will be effective on the date it is received in satisfactory form by the Marketing Agent. The redemption procedures allow Authorized Purchasers to redeem baskets and do not entitle an individual unitholder to redeem any units in an amount less than a Redemption Basket, or to redeem baskets other than through an Authorized Purchaser. By placing a redemption order, an Authorized Purchaser agrees to deliver the baskets to be redeemed through DTC s book-entry system to USNG not later than 3:00 p.m. New York time on the third business day following the effective date of the redemption order. Prior to the delivery of the redemption distribution for a redemption order, the Authorized Purchaser must also have wired to USNG s account at the Custodian the non-refundable transaction fee due for the redemption order. Authorized

Purchasers may not withdraw a redemption request.

Determination of Redemption Distribution

The redemption distribution from USNG consists of a transfer to the redeeming Authorized Purchaser of an amount of Treasuries and cash that is in the same proportion to the total assets of USNG (net of estimated accrued but unpaid fees, expenses and other liabilities) on the date the order to redeem is properly received as the number of units to be redeemed under the redemption order is in proportion to the total number of units outstanding on the date the order is received. The General Partner, directly or in consultation with the Administrator, determines the requirements for Treasuries and the amounts of cash, including the maximum permitted remaining maturity of a Treasury, and the proportions of Treasuries and cash that may be included in distributions to redeem baskets. The Marketing Agent will publish such requirements as of 4:00 p.m. New York time on the redemption order date.

Delivery of Redemption Distribution

The redemption distribution due from USNG will be delivered to the Authorized Purchaser by 3:00 p.m. New York time on the third business day following the redemption order date if, by 3:00 p.m. New York time on such third business day, USNG s DTC account has been credited with the baskets to be redeemed. If USNG s DTC account has not been credited with all of the baskets to be redeemed by such time, the redemption distribution will be delivered to the extent of whole baskets received. Any remainder of the redemption distribution will be delivered on the next business day to the extent of remaining whole baskets received if USNG receives the fee applicable to the extension of the redemption distribution date which the General Partner may, from time to time, determine and the remaining baskets to be redeemed are credited to USNG s DTC account by 3:00 p.m. New York time on such next business day. Any further outstanding amount of the redemption order shall be cancelled. Pursuant to information from the General Partner, the Custodian will also be authorized to deliver the redemption distribution notwithstanding that the baskets to be redeemed are not credited to USNG s DTC account by 3:00 p.m. New York time on the third business day following the redemption order date if the Authorized Purchaser has collateralized its obligation to deliver the baskets through DTC s book entry-system on such terms as the General Partner may from time to time determine.

Suspension or Rejection of Redemption Orders

The General Partner may, in its discretion, suspend the right of redemption, or postpone the redemption settlement date, (1) for any period during which the NYSE Arca or the NYMEX is closed other than customary weekend or holiday closings, or trading on the NYSE Arca or the NYMEX is suspended or restricted, (2) for any period during which an emergency exists as a result of which delivery, disposal or evaluation of Treasuries is not reasonably practicable, or (3) for such other period as the General Partner determines to be

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necessary for the protection of the limited partners. For example, the General Partner may determine that it is necessary to suspend redemptions to allow for the orderly liquidation of USNG s assets at an appropriate value to fund a redemption. If the General Partner has difficulty liquidating its positions, *e.g.*, because of a market disruption event in the futures markets, a suspension of trading by the exchange where the futures contracts are listed or an unanticipated delay in the liquidation of a position in an over the counter contract, it may be appropriate to suspend redemptions until such time as such circumstances are rectified. None of the General Partner, the Marketing Agent, the Administrator, or the Custodian will be liable to any person or in any way for any loss or damages that may result from any such suspension or postponement.

Redemption orders must be made in whole baskets. The General Partner will reject a redemption order if the order is not in proper form as described in the Authorized Purchaser Agreement or if the fulfillment of the order, in the opinion of its counsel, might be unlawful. The General Partner may also reject a redemption order if the number of units being redeemed would reduce the remaining outstanding units to 100,000 units (*i.e.*, one basket) or less, unless the General Partner has reason to believe that the placer of the redemption order does in fact possess all the outstanding units and can deliver them.

Creation and Redemption Transaction Fee

To compensate USNG for its expenses in connection with the creation and redemption of baskets, an Authorized Purchaser is required to pay a transaction fee to USNG of \$1,000 per order to create or redeem baskets. An order may include multiple baskets. The transaction fee may be reduced, increased or otherwise changed by the General Partner. The General Partner shall notify DTC of any change in the transaction fee and will not implement any increase in the fee for the redemption of baskets until 30 days after the date of the notice.

Tax Responsibility

Authorized Purchasers are responsible for any transfer tax, sales or use tax, stamp tax, recording tax, value added tax or similar tax or governmental charge applicable to the creation or redemption of baskets, regardless of whether or not such tax or charge is imposed directly on the Authorized Purchaser, and agree to indemnify the General Partner and USNG if they are required by law to pay any such tax, together with any applicable penalties, additions to tax or interest thereon.

Secondary Market Transactions

As noted, USNG creates and redeems units from time to time, but only in one or more Creation Baskets or Redemption Baskets. The creation and redemption of baskets are only made in exchange for delivery to USNG or the distribution by USNG of the amount of Treasuries and cash represented by the baskets being created or redeemed, the amount of which will be based on the aggregate NAV of the number of units included in the baskets being created or redeemed determined on the day the order to create or redeem baskets is properly received.

As discussed above, Authorized Purchasers are the only persons that may place orders to create and redeem baskets. Authorized Purchasers must be registered broker-dealers or other securities market participants, such as banks and other financial institutions that are not required to register as broker-dealers to engage in securities transactions. An Authorized Purchaser is under no obligation to create or redeem baskets, and an Authorized Purchaser is under no obligation to offer to the public units of any baskets it does create. Authorized Purchasers that do offer to the public units from the baskets they create will do so at per-unit offering prices that are expected to reflect, among other factors, the trading price of the units on the NYSE Arca, the NAV of USNG at the time the Authorized Purchaser

purchased the Creation Baskets and the NAV of the units at the time of the offer of the units to the public, the supply of and demand for units at the time of sale, and the liquidity of the Futures Contract market and the market for Other Natural Gas-Related Investments. The prices of units offered by Authorized Purchasers are expected to fall between USNG s NAV and the trading price of the units on the NYSE Arca at the time of sale. Units initially comprising the same basket but offered by Authorized Purchasers to the public at different times may have different offering prices. An order for one or more baskets may be placed by an Authorized Purchaser on behalf of multiple clients. Authorized Purchasers who make deposits with USNG in exchange for baskets receive no fees, commissions or other form of compensation or inducement of any kind from either USNG or the General Partner, and no such

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person has any obligation or responsibility to the General Partner or USNG to effect any sale or resale of units. Units trade in the secondary market on the NYSE Arca. Units may trade in the secondary market at prices that are lower or higher relative to their NAV per unit. The amount of the discount or premium in the trading price relative to the NAV per unit may be influenced by various factors, including the number of investors who seek to purchase or sell units in the secondary market and the liquidity of the Futures Contracts market and the market for Other Natural Gas-Related Investments. While the units trade on the NYSE Arca until 4:15 p.m. New York time, liquidity in the market for Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments may be reduced after the close of the NYMEX at 2:30

p.m. New York time. As a result, during this time, trading spreads, and the resulting premium or discount, on the units may widen.

Use of Proceeds

The General Partner applies substantially all of USNG s assets toward trading in Futures Contracts and other Natural Gas-Related Investments and investing in Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents. The General Partner has sole authority to determine the percentage of assets that are:

held on deposit with the futures commission merchant or other custodian, used for other investments, and

held in bank accounts to pay current obligations and as reserves.

The General Partner deposits substantially all of USNG s net assets with the Custodian or other custodian. When USNG purchases a Futures Contract and certain exchange traded Other Natural Gas-Related Investments, USNG is also required to deposit with the futures commission merchant on behalf of the exchange a portion of the value of the contract or other interest as security to ensure payment for the obligation under natural gas interests at maturity. This deposit is known as margin. USNG invests the remainder of its assets equal to the difference between the margin deposited and the market value of the futures contract in Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents.

USNG s assets are held in segregated accounts pursuant to the CEA and CFTC regulations. The General Partner believes that all entities that hold or trade USNG s assets are based in the United States and are subject to United States regulations.

Approximately 5% to 10% of USNG s assets are normally committed as margin for commodity futures contracts. However, from time to time, the percentage of assets committed as margin may be substantially more, or less, than such range. The General Partner invests the balance of USNG s assets not invested in natural gas interests or held in margin as reserves to be available for changes in margin. All interest income is used for USNG s benefit.

The futures commission merchant, a government agency or a commodity exchange could increase margins applicable to USNG to hold trading positions at any time. Moreover, margin is merely a security deposit and has no bearing on the profit or loss potential for any positions taken.

USNG s assets are held in segregated accounts pursuant to the Commodity Exchange Act and CFTC regulations.

Limited Partnership Agreement

The following paragraphs are a summary of certain provisions of our LP Agreement. The following discussion is qualified in its entirety by reference to our LP Agreement.

Authority of the General Partner

Our General Partner is generally authorized to perform all acts deemed necessary to carry out the purposes of the limited partnership and to conduct our business. Our partnership existence will continue into perpetuity, until terminated in accordance with our LP Agreement. Our General Partner has a power of attorney to take certain actions, including the execution and filing of documents, on our behalf and with respect to our LP Agreement. However, our partnership agreement limits the authority of our General Partner as follows:

Other than in connection with the issuance or redemption of units, or upon termination of the partnership as contemplated by the LP Agreement, the General Partner may not sell, exchange or 68

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otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of the partnership s assets in a single transaction or a series of related transactions (including by way of merger, consolidation or other combination with any other person) or approve on behalf of the partnership, the sale, exchange or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of all of the partnership, taken as a whole, without the approval of at least a majority of the limited partners; provided, however, that this provision shall not preclude or limit the General Partner s ability to mortgage, pledge, hypothecate or grant a security interest in all or substantially all of the partnership s assets and shall not apply to any forced sale of any or all of the partnership s assets pursuant to the foreclosure of, or other realization upon, any such encumbrance. The General Partner is not authorized to institute or initiate on behalf of, or otherwise cause, the partnership to (a) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; (b) file a voluntary bankruptcy petition; or (c) file a petition seeking for the partnership a reorganization, arrangement, composition, readjustment liquidation, dissolution or similar relief under any law.

The General Partner may not, without written approval of the specific act by all of the limited partners or by other written instrument executed and delivered by all of the limited partners subsequent to the date of the LP Agreement, take any action in contravention of the LP Agreement, including, without limitation, (i) any act that would make it impossible to carry on the ordinary business of the partnership, except as otherwise provided in the LP Agreement; (ii) possess partnership property, or assign any rights in specific partnership property, for other than a partnership purpose; (iii) admit a person as a partner, except as otherwise provided in the LP Agreement; (iv) amend the LP Agreement in any manner, except as otherwise provided in the LP Agreement or applicable law; or (v) transfer its interest as General Partner of the partnership, except as otherwise provided in the LP Agreement.

In general, unless approved by a majority of the limited partners, our General Partner shall not take any action, or refuse to take any reasonable action, the effect of which would be to cause us, to the extent it would materially and adversely affect limited partners, to be taxable as a corporation or to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation for federal income tax purposes.

Withdrawal or Removal of Our General Partner

The General Partner shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the partnership upon the occurrence of any one of the following events:

the General Partner voluntarily withdraws from the partnership by giving written notice to the other partners; the General Partner transfers all of its rights as General Partner;

the General Partner is removed;

the General Partner (A) makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; (B) files a voluntary bankruptcy petition; (C) files a petition or answer seeking for itself a reorganization, arrangement, composition, readjustment liquidation, dissolution or similar relief under any law; (D) files an answer or other pleading admitting or failing to contest the material allegations of a petition filed against the General Partner in a proceeding of the type described in clauses (A) (C) of this sentence; or (E) seeks, consents to or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee, receiver or liquidator of the General Partner or of all or any substantial part of its properties;

a final and non-appealable judgment is entered by a court with appropriate jurisdiction ruling that the General Partner is bankrupt or insolvent or a final and non-appealable order for relief is entered by a court with appropriate jurisdiction against the General Partner, in each case under any federal or state bankruptcy or insolvency laws as now or hereafter in effect; or

a certificate of dissolution or its equivalent is filed for the General Partner, or 90 days expire after the date of notice to the General Partner of revocation of its charter without a reinstatement of its charter, under the laws of its state of incorporation.

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The General Partner may be removed with or without cause if such removal is approved by the holders of at least 66 2/3% of the outstanding units (excluding for this purpose units held by the General Partner and its affiliates).

Meetings

All acts of the limited partners should be done in accordance with the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act (DRULPA). Upon the written request of 20% or more in interest of the limited partners, the General Partner may, but is not required to, call a meeting of the limited partners. Notice of such meeting shall be given within 30 days after, and the meeting shall be held within 60 days after, receipt of such request. The General Partner may also call a meeting not less than 20 and not more than 60 days prior to the meeting. Any such notice shall state briefly the purpose of the meeting, which shall be held at a reasonable time and place. Any limited partner may obtain a list of names, addresses, and interests of the limited partners upon written request to the General Partner.

Limited Liability

Assuming that a limited partner does not take part in the control of our business, and that he otherwise acts in conformity with the provisions of our LP Agreement, his liability under Delaware law will be limited, subject to certain possible exceptions, generally to the amount of capital he is obligated to contribute to us in respect of his units or other limited partner interests plus his share of any of our undistributed profits and assets. In light of the fact that a limited partner s liability may extend beyond his capital contributions, a limited partner may lose more money than he contributed.

Under Delaware law, a limited partner might be held liable for USNG s obligations as if it were a General Partner if the limited partner participates in the control of the partnership s business and the persons who transact business with the partnership think the limited partner is the General Partner.

Under the LP Agreement, a limited partner is not liable for assessments in addition to its initial capital investment in any of USNG s capital securities representing limited partnership interests. However, a limited partner still may be required to repay to USNG any amounts wrongfully returned or distributed to it under some circumstances. Under Delaware law, USNG may not make a distribution to limited partners if the distribution causes USNG s liabilities (other than liabilities to partners on account of their partnership interests and nonrecourse liabilities) to exceed the fair value of USNG s assets. Delaware law provides that a limited partner who receives such a distribution and knew at the time of the distribution that the distribution violated the law will be liable to the limited partnership for the amount of the distribution for three years from the date of the distribution.

The General Partner Has Conflicts of Interest

There are present and potential future conflicts of interest in USNG s structure and operation you should consider before you purchase units. The General Partner will use this notice of conflicts as a defense against any claim or other proceeding made.

The General Partner s officers, directors and employees, do not devote their time exclusively to USNG. These persons are directors, officers or employees of other entities which may compete with USNG for their services. They could have a conflict between their responsibilities to USNG and to those other entities. The General Partner believes that it has sufficient personnel, time, and working capital to discharge its responsibilities in a fair manner and that these persons conflicts should not impair their ability to provide services to USNG.

The General Partner s principals, officers, directors and employees may trade futures and related contracts for their own account. Limited partners and other unitholders are not permitted to inspect the trading records of the principals. A conflict of interest may exist if their trades are in the same markets and at the same time as USNG trades using the clearing broker to be used by USNG. A potential conflict also may occur when the General Partner s principals trade their accounts more aggressively or take positions in their accounts which are opposite, or ahead of, the positions taken by USNG. The General Partner has adopted a Code of Ethics to ensure that the officers, directors, and employees of the General Partner and its affiliates do not engage in trades that will harm the fund or the unitholders. The Code of Ethics may be found on USNG s website at *www.unitedstatesnaturalgasfund.com*

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The General Partner has sole current authority to manage the investments and operations of USNG, and this may allow it to act in a way that furthers its own interests which may create a conflict with your best interests. Limited partners have limited voting control, which limits their ability to influence matters such as amendment of the LP Agreement, change in USNG s basic investment policy, dissolution of this fund, or the sale or distribution of USNG s assets.

The General Partner serves as the general partner to each of USNG and the Related Public Funds. In addition, the General Partner will serve as the general partner for USSO and US12NG, if such funds offer their securities to the public or begin operations. The General Partner may have a conflict to the extent that its trading decisions for USNG may be influenced by the effect they would have on the other funds it manages. For example, if, as a result of reaching position limits imposed by the NYMEX, USNG purchased gasoline futures contracts, this decision could impact UGA s ability to purchase additional gasoline futures contracts if the number of contracts held by funds managed by the General Partner reached the maximum allowed by NYMEX. Similar situations could adversely affect the ability of any fund to track its Benchmark Futures Contract. In addition, the General Partner is required to indemnify the officers and directors of the other funds, if the need for indemnification arises. This potential indemnification will cause the General Partner s assets to decrease. If the General Partner s other sources of income are not sufficient to compensate for the indemnification, then the General Partner may terminate and you could lose your investment.

No Resolution of Conflicts Procedures

Whenever a conflict of interest exists or arises between the General Partner on the one hand, and the partnership or any limited partner, on the other hand, any resolution or course of action by the General Partner in respect of such conflict of interest shall be permitted and deemed approved by all partners and shall not constitute a breach of the LP Agreement or of any agreement contemplated hereby or of a duty stated or implied by law or equity, if the resolution or course of action is, or by operation of the LP Agreement is deemed to be, fair and reasonable to the partnership. If a dispute arises, under the LP Agreement it will be resolved either through negotiations with the General Partner or by courts located in the State of Delaware.

Under the LP Agreement, any resolution is deemed to be fair and reasonable to the partnership if the resolution is:

approved by the audit committee, although no party is obligated to seek approval and the General Partner may adopt a resolution or course of action that has not received approval;

on terms no less favorable to the limited partners than those generally being provided to or available from unrelated third parties; or

fair to the limited partners, taking into account the totality of the relationships of the parties involved including other transactions that may be particularly favorable or advantageous to the limited partners.

The previous risk factors and conflicts of interest are complete as of the date of this prospectus; however, additional risks and conflicts may occur which are not presently foreseen by the General Partner. You may not construe this prospectus as legal or tax advice. Before making an investment in this fund, you should read this entire prospectus, including the LP Agreement. You should also consult with your personal legal, tax, and other professional advisors.

Interests of Named Experts and Counsel

The General Partner has employed Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP to prepare this prospectus. Neither the law firm nor any other expert hired by USNG to give advice on the preparation of this offering document have been hired on a contingent fee basis. Nor do any of them have any present or future expectation of interest in the General Partner, Marketing Agent, Authorized Purchasers, Custodian, Administrator or other service providers to USNG.

The General Partner s Responsibility and Remedies

Pursuant to the DRULPA, parties may contractually modify or even eliminate fiduciary duties in a partnership agreement to the limited partnership itself, or to another partner or person otherwise bound by the

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partnership agreement. Parties may not, however, eliminate the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing. Where parties unambiguously provide for fiduciary duties in a partnership agreement, those expressed duties become the standard courts will use to determine whether such duties were breached. For this reason, USNG s limited partnership agreement does not explicitly provide for any fiduciary duties so that common law fiduciary duty principles will apply to measure the General Partner s conduct.

A prospective investor should be aware that the General Partner has a responsibility to limited partners of USNG to exercise good faith and fairness in all dealings. The fiduciary responsibility of a general partner to limited partners is a developing and changing area of the law and limited partners who have questions concerning the duties of the General Partner should consult with their counsel. In the event that a limited partner of USNG believes that the General Partner has violated its fiduciary duty to the limited partners, he may seek legal relief individually or on behalf of USNG under applicable laws, including under DRULPA and under commodities laws, to recover damages from or require an accounting by the General Partner. Limited partners may also have the right, subject to applicable procedural and jurisdictional requirements, to bring class actions in federal court to enforce their rights under the federal securities laws and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder by the SEC. Limited partners who have suffered losses in connection with the purchase or sale of the units may be able to recover such losses from the General Partner where the losses result from a violation by the General Partner of the federal securities laws. State securities laws may also provide certain remedies to limited partners. Limited partners should be aware that performance by the General Partner of its fiduciary duty is measured by the terms of the LP Agreement as well as applicable law. Limited partners are afforded certain rights to institute reparations proceedings under the Commodity Exchange Act for violations of the Commodity Exchange Act or of any rule, regulation or order of the CFTC by the General Partner.

Liability and Indemnification

Under the LP Agreement, neither a General Partner nor any employee or other agent of USNG nor any officer, director, stockholder, partner, employee or agent of a General Partner (a Protected Person) shall be liable to any partner or USNG for any mistake of judgment or for any action or inaction taken, nor for any losses due to any mistake of judgment or to any action or to the negligence, dishonesty or bad faith of any officer, director, stockholder, partner, employee, agent of USNG or any officer, director, stockholder, partner, employee, agent of USNG or any officer, director, stockholder, partner, employee or agent of such General Partner, provided that such officer, director, stockholder, partner, employee or agent of such General Partner with reasonable care, except with respect to any matter as to which such General Partner shall have been finally adjudicated in any action, suit or other proceeding not to have acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that such Protected Person s action was in the best interests of USNG and except that no Protected Person shall be relieved of any liability to which such Protected Person would otherwise be subject by reason of willful misfeasance, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of the Protected Person so office.

USNG shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, but only out of USNG assets, indemnify and hold harmless a General Partner and each officer, director, stockholder, partner, employee or agent thereof (including persons who serve at USNG s request as directors, officers or trustees of another organization in which USNG has an interest as a unitholder, creditor or otherwise) and their respective Legal Representatives and successors (hereinafter referred to as a *Covered Person* against all liabilities and expenses, including but not limited to amounts paid in satisfaction of judgments, in compromise or as fines and penalties, and counsel fees reasonably incurred by any Covered Person in connection with the defense or disposition of any action, suit or other proceedings, whether civil or criminal, before any court or administrative or legislative body, in which such Covered Person may be or may have been involved as a

party or otherwise or with which such person may be or may have been threatened, while in office or thereafter, by reason of an alleged act or omission as a General Partner or director or officer thereof, or by reason of its being or having been such a General Partner, director or officer, except with respect to any matter as to which such Covered Person shall have been finally adjudicated in any such action, suit or other proceeding not to have acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that such Covered Person s action was in the best interest of USNG, and except that no Covered Person shall be indemnified against any liability to USNG or limited partners to which such Covered Person would otherwise be subject by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of such Covered Person s office. Expenses, including counsel fees so

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incurred by any such Covered Person, may be paid from time to time by USNG in advance of the final disposition of any such action, suit or proceeding on the condition that the amounts so paid shall be repaid to USNG if it is ultimately determined that the indemnification of such expenses is not authorized hereunder.

Provisions of Law

According to applicable law, indemnification of the General Partner is payable only if the General Partner determined, in good faith, that the act, omission or conduct that gave rise to the claim for indemnification was in the best interest of USNG and the act, omission or activity that was the basis for such loss, liability, damage, cost or expense was not the result of negligence or misconduct and such liability or loss was not the result of negligence or misconduct by the General Partner, and such indemnification or agreement to hold harmless is recoverable only out of the assets of USNG and not from the members, individually.

Provisions of Federal and State Securities Laws

This offering is made pursuant to federal and state securities laws. If any indemnification of the General Partner arises out of an alleged violation of such laws, it is subject to certain legal conditions.

Those conditions require that no indemnification may be made in respect of any losses, liabilities or expenses arising from or out of an alleged violation of federal or state securities laws unless: there has been a successful adjudication on the merits of each count involving alleged securities law violations as to the General Partner or other particular indemnitee, or such claim has been dismissed with prejudice on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction as to the General Partner or other particular indemnitee, or a court of competent jurisdiction approves a settlement of the claims against the General Partner or other agent of USNG and finds that indemnification of the settlement and related costs should be made, provided, before seeking such approval, the General Partner or other indemnitee must apprise the court of the position held by regulatory agencies against such indemnification. These agencies are the SEC and the securities administrator of the State or States in which the plaintiffs claim they were offered or sold membership interests.

Provisions of the Securities Act of 1933 and NASAA Guidelines

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the 1933 Act may be permitted to the General Partner or its directors, officers, or persons controlling USNG, USNG has been informed that SEC and the various State administrators believe that such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the 1933 Act and the North American Securities Administrators Association, Inc. (NASAA) commodity pool guidelines and is therefore unenforceable.

Books and Records

USNG keeps its books of record and account at its office located at 1320 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 145, Alameda, California 94502 or at the offices of the Administrator at its office located at 40 Water Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02109, or such office, including of an administrative agent, as it may subsequently designate upon notice. These books and records are open to inspection by any person who establishes to USNG s satisfaction that such person is a limited partner upon reasonable advance notice at all reasonable times during the usual business hours of USNG.

USNG keeps a copy of USNG s LP Agreement on file in its office which will be available for inspection on reasonable advance notice at all reasonable times during its usual business hours by any limited partner.

Analysis of Critical Accounting Policies

USNG s critical accounting policies are set forth in the financial statements which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which require the use of certain accounting policies that affect the amounts reported in these financial statements, including the following: USNG trades are accounted for on a trade-date basis and marked to market on a daily basis. The difference between their cost and market value is recorded as change in unrealized profit/loss for open (unrealized) contracts, and recorded as realized profit/loss when open positions are closed out; the sum of these amounts constitutes USNG is trading revenues. Earned interest income revenue, as well as management fee, and brokerage fee expenses of USNG are recorded on an accrual basis. The General Partner believes that all relevant accounting assumptions and policies have been considered.

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Statements, Filings, and Reports

At the end of each fiscal year, USNG will furnish to DTC Participants for distribution to each person who is a unitholder at the end of the fiscal year an annual report containing USNG s audited financial statements and other information about USNG. The General Partner is responsible for the registration and qualification of the units under the federal securities laws and federal commodities laws and any other securities and blue sky laws of the United States or any other jurisdiction as the General Partner may select. The General Partner is responsible for preparing all reports required by the SEC and the CFTC, but has entered into an agreement with the Administrator to prepare these reports as required by the SEC, CFTC and the NYSE Arca on USNG s behalf.

The financial statements of USNG are audited, as required by law and as may be directed by the General Partner, by an independent registered public accounting firm designated from time to time by the General Partner. The accountants report will be furnished by USNG to unitholders upon request. USNG makes such elections, file such tax returns, and prepare, disseminate and file such tax reports, as it is advised by its counsel or accountants are from time to time required by any applicable statute, rule or regulation.

Reports to Limited Partners

In addition to periodic reports filed with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K, all of which can be accessed on the SEC s website at *www.sec.gov* or on USNG s website at *www.unitedstatesnaturalgasfund.com*, USNG, pursuant to the LP Agreement, will provide the following reports to limited partners in the manner prescribed below:

Annual Reports. Within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year, the General Partner shall cause to be delivered to each limited partner who was a limited partner at any time during the fiscal year, an annual report containing the following:

financial statements of the partnership, including, without limitation, a balance sheet as of the end of the partnership s fiscal year and statements of income, partners equity and changes in financial position, for such fiscal (i) year, which shall be prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America consistently applied and shall be audited by a firm of independent certified public accountants registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board,

(ii) a general description of the activities of the partnership during the period covered by the report, and a report of any material transactions between the partnership and the General Partner or any of its affiliates,

(iii) including fees or compensation paid by the partnership and the services performed by the General Partner or any such affiliate for such fees or compensation.

Quarterly Reports. Within 45 days after the end of each quarter of each fiscal year, the General Partner shall cause to be delivered to each limited partner who was a limited partner at any time during the quarter then ended, a quarterly report containing a balance sheet and statement of income for the period covered by the report, each of which may be unaudited but shall be certified by the General Partner as fairly presenting the financial position and results of

operations of the partnership during the period covered by the report. The report shall also contain a description of any material event regarding the business of the partnership during the period covered by the report.

Monthly Reports. Within 30 days after the after the end of each month, the General Partner shall cause to be posted on its website and upon request, to be delivered to each limited partner who was a limited partner at any time during the month then ended, a monthly report containing an account statement, which will include a statement of income (loss) and a statement of changes in NAV, for the prescribed period. In addition, the account statement will disclose

any material business dealings between the partnership, General Partner, commodity trading advisor (if any), futures commission merchant, or the principals thereof that previously have not been disclosed in the prospectus or any amendment thereto, other account statements or annual reports.

USNG provides information to its unitholders to the extent required by applicable SEC, CFTC, and NYSE Arca requirements. An issuer, such as USNG, of exchange-traded securities may not always readily

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know the identities of the investors who own those securities. USNG posts the same information that would otherwise be provided in USNG s reports to limited partners described above including its monthly account statements, which include, without limitation, USNG s NAV, on USNG s website *www.unitedstatesnaturalgasfund.com*.

Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of USNG is the calendar year. The General Partner may select an alternate fiscal year at a later date.

Governing Law; Consent to Delaware Jurisdiction

The rights of the General Partner, USNG, DTC (as registered owner of USNG s global certificate for units) and the unitholders, are governed by the laws of the State of Delaware. The General Partner, USNG and DTC and, by accepting units, each DTC Participant and each unitholder, consent to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Delaware and any federal courts located in Delaware. Such consent is not required for any person to assert a claim of Delaware jurisdiction over the General Partner or USNG.

Legal Matters

Litigation and Claims

Within the past 5 years of the date of this prospectus, there have been no material administrative, civil or criminal actions against the General Partner, underwriter, or any principal or affiliate of either of them. This includes any actions pending, on appeal, concluded, threatened, or otherwise known to them.

Legal Opinion

Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP is counsel to advise USNG and the General Partner with respect to the units being offered hereby and has passed upon the validity of the units being issued hereunder. Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP has also provided the General Partner with its opinion with respect to federal income tax matters addressed herein.

Experts

Spicer Jeffries LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, has audited the financial statements of United States Natural Gas Fund, LP, at December 31, 2006, December 31, 2007, and December 31, 2008 that appear in the annual report on Form 10-K that is incorporated by reference. The financial statements in the 10-K were included in reliance upon the report of Spicer Jeffries LLP, given on its authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

Privacy Policy

USNG and the General Partner collect certain nonpublic personal information about investors from the information provided by them in certain documents, as well as in the course of processing transaction requests. None of this information is disclosed except as necessary in the course of processing creations and redemptions and otherwise administering USNG and then only subject to customary undertakings of confidentiality. USNG and the General Partner do not disclose nonpublic personal information about investors to anyone, except as required by law or as

described in its Privacy Policy. In general, USNG and the General Partner restrict access to the nonpublic personal information they collect from investors to those of its and its affiliates employees and service providers who need access to this information to provide products and services to investors. USNG and the General Partner each maintain physical, electronic and procedural controls to safeguard this information. These standards are reasonably designed to (1) ensure the security and confidentiality of investors records and information, (2) protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of investors records and information, and (3) protect against unauthorized access to or use of investors records or information that could result in substantial harm or inconvenience to any investor. A copy of the current Privacy Policy can be provided on request and is provided to investors annually.

U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations

The following discussion summarizes the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of units in USNG, and the U.S. federal income tax treatment of USNG, as of the

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date hereof. This discussion is applicable to a beneficial owner of units who purchases units in the offering to which this prospectus relates, including a beneficial owner who purchases units from an Authorized Purchaser. Except where noted otherwise, it deals only with units held as capital assets and does not deal with special situations, such as those of dealers in securities or currencies, financial institutions, tax-exempt entities, insurance companies, persons holding units as a part of a position in a straddle or as part of a hedging, conversion or other integrated transaction for federal income tax purposes, traders in securities or commodities that elect to use a mark-to-market method of accounting, or holders of units whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar. Furthermore, the discussion below is based upon the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), and regulations (Treasury Regulations), rulings and judicial decisions thereunder as of the date hereof, and such authorities may be repealed, revoked or modified so as to result in U.S. federal income tax consequences different from those discussed below.

Persons considering the purchase, ownership or disposition of units should consult their own tax advisors concerning the United States federal income tax consequences in light of their particular situations as well as any consequences arising under the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction. As used herein, a U.S. unitholder of a unit means a beneficial owner of a unit that is, for United States federal income tax purposes, (i) a citizen or resident of the United States, (ii) a corporation or partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof, (iii) an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source or (iv) a trust (X) that is subject to the supervision of a court within the United States and the control of one or more United States persons as described in section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or (Y) that has a valid election in effect under applicable Treasury Regulations to be treated as a United States person. A Non-U.S. unitholder is a holder that is not a U.S. unitholder. If a partnership holds our units, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. If you are a partner of a partnership holding our units, you should consult your own tax advisor regarding the tax consequences.

The General Partner of USNG has received the opinion of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, counsel to USNG, that the material U.S. federal income tax consequences to USNG and to U.S. unitholders and Non-U.S. unitholders will be as described below. In rendering its opinion, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP has relied on the facts described in this prospectus as well as certain factual representations made by USNG and the General Partner. The opinion of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and as a result, the IRS may not agree with the tax positions taken by USNG. If challenged by the IRS, USNG s tax positions might not be sustained by the courts. No ruling has been requested from the IRS with respect to any matter affecting USNG or prospective investors.

EACH PROSPECTIVE INVESTOR IS ADVISED TO CONSULT ITS OWN TAX ADVISOR AS TO HOW THE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES OF AN INVESTMENT IN USNG APPLY TO YOU AND AS TO HOW THE APPLICABLE STATE, LOCAL OR FOREIGN TAXES APPLY TO YOU.

Tax Status of USNG

USNG is organized and operated as a limited partnership in accordance with the provisions of the LP Agreement and applicable state law. Under the Code, an entity classified as a partnership that is deemed to be a publicly traded partnership is generally taxable as a corporation for federal income tax purposes. The Code provides an exception to this general rule for a publicly traded partnership whose gross income for each taxable year of its existence consists of

at least 90% qualifying income (qualifying income exception). For this purpose, section 7704 defines qualifying income as including, in pertinent part, interest (other than from a financial business), dividends and gains from the sale or disposition of capital assets held for the production of interest or dividends. In addition, in the case of a partnership a principal activity of which is the buying and selling of commodities (other than as inventory) or of futures, forwards

and options with respect to commodities, qualifying income includes income and gains from such commodities and futures, forwards and options with respect to commodities. USNG and the General Partner have represented the following to Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP:

At least 90% of USNG s gross income for each taxable year will constitute qualifying income within the meaning of Code section 7704 (as described above);

USNG is organized and operated in accordance with its governing agreements and applicable law;

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USNG has not elected, and will not elect, to be classified as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Based in part on these representations, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP is of the opinion that USNG classifies as a partnership for federal income tax purposes and that it is not taxable as a corporation for such purposes.

If USNG failed to satisfy the qualifying income exception in any year, other than a failure that is determined by the IRS to be inadvertent and that is cured within a reasonable time after discovery, USNG would be taxable as a corporation for federal income tax purposes and would pay federal income tax on its income at regular corporate rates. In that event, unitholders would not report their share of USNG s income or loss on their returns. In addition, distributions to unitholders would be treated as dividends to the extent of USNG s current and accumulated earnings and profits. To the extent a distribution exceeded USNG s earnings and profits, the distribution would be treated as a return of capital to the extent of a unitholder s basis in its units, and thereafter as gain from the sale of units. Accordingly, if USNG were to be taxable as a corporation, it would likely have a material adverse effect on the economic return from an investment in USNG and on the value of the units.

The remainder of this summary assumes that USNG is classified as a partnership for federal income tax purposes and that it is not taxable as a corporation.

U.S. Unitholders

Tax Consequences of Ownership of Units

Taxation of USNG s Income. No U.S. federal income tax is paid by USNG on its income. Instead, USNG files annual information returns, and each U.S. unitholder is required to report on its U.S. federal income tax return its allocable share of the income, gain, loss and deduction of USNG. For example, unitholders must take into account their share of ordinary income realized by USNG from accruals of interest on Treasuries and other investments, and their share of gain from Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments. These items must be reported without regard to the amount (if any) of cash or property the unitholder receives as a distribution from USNG during the taxable year. Consequently, a unitholder may be allocated income or gain by USNG but receive no cash distribution with which to pay its tax liability resulting from the allocation, or may receive a distribution that is insufficient to pay such liability. Because the General Partner currently does not intend to make distributions, it is likely that in any year USNG realizes net income and/or gain that a U.S. unitholder will be required to pay taxes on its allocable share of such income or gain from sources other than USNG distributions.

Allocations of USNG s Profit and Loss. Under Code section 704, the determination of a partner s distributive share of any item of income, gain, loss, deduction or credit is governed by the applicable organizational document unless the allocation provided by such document lacks substantial economic effect. An allocation that lacks substantial economic effect nonetheless will be respected if it is in accordance with the partners interests in the partnership, determined by taking into account all facts and circumstances relating to the economic arrangements among the partners.

In general, USNG applies a monthly closing-of-the-books convention in determining allocations of economic profit or loss to unitholders. Income, gain, loss and deduction are determined on a monthly mark-to-market basis, taking into account our accrued income and deductions and realized and unrealized gains and losses for the month. These items are allocated among the holders of units in proportion to the number of units owned by them as of the close of business on the last business day of the month. Items of taxable income, deduction, gain, loss and credit recognized by USNG for federal income tax purposes for any taxable year are allocated among holders in a manner that equitably reflects the allocation of economic profit or loss. USNG has made the election permitted by section 754 of the Code, which election is irrevocable without the consent of the Service. The effect of this election is that when a secondary

market sale of our units occur, we adjust the purchaser s proportionate share of the tax basis of our assets to fair market value, as reflected in the price paid for the units, as if the purchaser had directly acquired an interest in our assets. The section 754 election is intended to eliminate disparities between a partner s basis in its partnership interest and its share of the tax bases of the partnership s assets, so that the partner s allocable share of taxable gain or loss on a disposition of an asset will correspond to its share of the appreciation or depreciation in the value of

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the asset since it acquired its interest. Depending on the price paid for units and the tax bases of USNG s assets at the time of the purchase, the effect of the section 754 election on a purchaser of units may be favorable or unfavorable.

USNG applies certain assumptions and conventions in determining and allocating items for tax purposes in order to reduce the complexity and costs of administration. The General Partner believes that application of these assumptions and conventions is consistent with the intent of the partnership provisions of the Code, and that the resulting allocations have substantial economic effect or otherwise are respected as being in accordance with unitholders interests in USNG for federal income tax purposes. However, the Code and Treasury Regulations do not expressly permit adoption of these assumptions and conventions, and Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP is therefore unable to opine on the validity of our allocation method. It is possible that the IRS could successfully challenge this method and require a unitholder to report a greater or lesser share of items of income, gain, loss, deduction, or credit than if our method were respected. The General Partner is authorized to revise our allocation method to conform to any method permitted under future Treasury Regulations.

The assumptions and conventions used in making tax allocations may cause a unitholder to be allocated more or less income or loss for federal income tax purposes than its proportionate share of the economic income or loss realized by USNG during the period it held its units. This mismatch between taxable and economic income or loss in some cases may be temporary, reversing itself in a later year when the units are sold, but could be permanent. For example, a unitholder could be allocated income accruing before it purchased its units, resulting in an increase in the basis of the units (see Tax Basis of Units , below). On a subsequent disposition of the units, the additional basis might produce a capital loss the deduction of which may be limited (see Limitations on Deductibility of Losses and Certain Expenses , below).

Mark to Market of Certain Exchange-Traded Contracts. For federal income tax purposes, USNG generally is required to use a mark-to-market method of accounting under which unrealized gains and losses on instruments constituting section 1256 contracts are recognized currently. A section 1256 contract is defined as: (1) a futures contract that is traded on or subject to the rules of a national securities exchange which is registered with the SEC, a domestic board of trade designated as a contract market by the CFTC, or any other board of trade or exchange designated by the Secretary of the Treasury, and with respect to which the amount required to be deposited and the amount that may be withdrawn depends on a system of marking to market ; (2) a forward contract on exchange-traded foreign currencies, where the contracts are traded in the interbank market; (3) a non-equity option traded on or subject to the rules of a qualified board or exchange; (4) a dealer equity option; or (5) a dealer securities futures contract.

Under these rules, section 1256 contracts held by USNG at the end of each taxable year, including for example Futures Contracts and options on Futures Contracts traded on a U.S. exchange or board of trade or certain foreign exchanges, are treated as if they were sold by USNG for their fair market value on the last business day of the taxable year. A unitholder s distributive share of USNG s net gain or loss with respect to each section 1256 contract generally is treated as long-term capital gain or loss to the extent of 60 percent thereof, and as short-term capital gain or loss to the extent of 40 percent thereof, without regard to the actual holding period.

Limitations on Deductibility of Losses and Certain Expenses. A number of different provisions of the Code may defer or disallow the deduction of losses or expenses allocated to you by USNG, including but not limited to those described below.

A unitholder s deduction of its allocable share of any loss of USNG will be limited to the lesser of (1) the tax basis in its units or (2) in the case of a unitholder that is an individual or a closely held corporation, the amount which the unitholder is considered to have at risk with respect to our activities. In general, the amount at risk will be your invested capital plus your share of any recourse debt of USNG for which you are liable. Losses in excess of the

amount at risk must be deferred until years in which USNG generates additional taxable income against which to offset such carryover losses or until additional capital is placed at risk.

Noncorporate taxpayers are permitted to deduct capital losses only to the extent of their capital gains for the taxable year plus \$3,000 of other income. Unused capital losses can be carried forward and used to offset

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capital gains in future years. In addition, a noncorporate taxpayer may elect to carry back net losses on section 1256 contracts to each of the three preceding years and use them to offset section 1256 contract gains in those years, subject to certain limitations. Corporate taxpayers generally may deduct capital losses only to the extent of capital gains, subject to special carryback and carryforward rules.

Otherwise deductible expenses incurred by noncorporate taxpayers constituting miscellaneous itemized deductions, generally including investment-related expenses (other than interest and certain other specified expenses), are deductible only to the extent they exceed 2 percent of the taxpayer s adjusted gross income for the year. Although the matter is not free from doubt, we believe management fees we pay to the General Partner and other expenses we incur constitute investment-related expenses subject to the miscellaneous itemized deduction limitation, rather than expenses incurred in connection with a trade or business.

Noncorporate unitholders generally may deduct investment interest expense only to the extent of their net investment income. Investment interest expense of a unitholder will generally include any interest accrued by USNG and any interest paid or accrued on direct borrowings by a unitholder to purchase or carry its units, such as interest with respect to a margin account. Net investment income generally includes gross income from property held for investment (including portfolio income under the passive loss rules but not, absent an election, long-term capital gains or certain qualifying dividend income) less deductible expenses other than interest directly connected with the production of investment income.

To the extent that we allocate losses or expenses to you that must be deferred or disallowed as a result of these or other limitations in the Code, you may be taxed on income in excess of your economic income or distributions (if any) on your units. As one example, you could be allocated and required to pay tax on your share of interest income accrued by USNG for a particular taxable year, and in the same year allocated a share of a capital loss that you cannot deduct currently because you have insufficient capital gains against which to offset the loss. As another example, you could be allocated and required to pay tax on your share of management fees and/or margin account interest incurred by you with respect to your units. Unitholders are urged to consult their own professional tax advisors regarding the effect of limitations under the Code on your ability to deduct your allocable share of USNG s losses and expenses.

Tax Basis of Units

A unitholder s tax basis in its units is important in determining (1) the amount of taxable gain it will realize on the sale or other disposition of its units, (2) the amount of non-taxable distributions that it may receive from USNG and (3) its ability to utilize its distributive share of any losses of USNG on its tax return. A unitholder s initial tax basis of its units will equal its cost for the units plus its share of USNG s liabilities (if any) at the time of purchase. In general, a unitholder s share of those liabilities will equal the sum of (i) the entire amount of any otherwise nonrecourse liability of USNG as to which the unitholder or an affiliate is the creditor (a partner nonrecourse liability) and (ii) a *pro rata* share of any nonrecourse liabilities of USNG that are not partner nonrecourse liabilities as to any unitholder.

A unitholder s tax basis in its units generally will be (1) increased by (a) its allocable share of USNG s taxable income and gain and (b) any additional contributions by the unitholder to USNG and (2) decreased (but not below zero) by (a) its allocable share of USNG s tax deductions and losses and (b) any distributions by USNG to the unitholder. For this purpose, an increase in a unitholder s share of USNG s liabilities will be treated as a contribution of cash by the unitholder to USNG and a decrease in that share will be treated as a distribution of cash by USNG to the unitholder. Pursuant to certain IRS rulings, a unitholder will be required to maintain a single, unified basis in all units that it owns. As a result, when a unitholder that acquired its units at different prices sells less than all of its units, such unitholder will not be entitled to specify particular units (e.g., those with a higher basis) as having been sold. Rather, it

must determine its gain or loss on the sale by using an equitable apportionment method to allocate a portion of its unified basis in its units to the units sold.

Treatment of Fund Distributions. If USNG makes non-liquidating distributions to unitholders, such distributions generally will not be taxable to the unitholders for federal income tax purposes except to the extent that the sum of (i) the amount of cash and (ii) the fair market value of marketable securities distributed

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exceeds the unitholder s adjusted basis of its interest in USNG immediately before the distribution. Any cash distributions in excess of a unitholder s tax basis generally will be treated as gain from the sale or exchange of units.

Constructive Termination of the Partnership. We will be considered to have been terminated for tax purposes if there is a sale or exchange of 50 percent or more of the total interests in our units within a 12-month period. A termination would result in the closing of our taxable year for all unitholders. In the case of a unitholder reporting on a taxable year other than a fiscal year ending December 31, the closing of our taxable year may result in more than 12 months of our taxable income or loss being includable in its taxable income for the year of termination. We would be required to make new tax elections after a termination. A termination could result in tax penalties if we were unable to determine that the termination had occurred. Moreover, a termination might either accelerate the application of, or subject us to, any tax legislation enacted before the termination.

Tax Consequences of Disposition of Units

If a unitholder sells its units, it will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized and its adjusted tax basis for the units sold. A unitholder s amount realized will be the sum of the cash or the fair market value of other property received plus its share of any USNG debt outstanding.

Gain or loss recognized by a unitholder on the sale or exchange of units held for more than one year will generally be taxable as long-term capital gain or loss; otherwise, such gain or loss will generally be taxable as short-term capital gain or loss. A special election is available under the Treasury Regulations that will allow unitholders to identify and use the actual holding periods for the units sold for purposes of determining whether the gain or loss recognized on a sale of units will give rise long-term or short-term capital gain or loss. It is expected that most unitholders will be eligible to elect, and generally will elect, to identify and use the actual holding period for units sold. If a unitholder fails to make the election or is not able to identify the holding periods of the units sold, the unitholder will have a split holding period in the units sold. Under such circumstances, a unitholder will be required to determine its holding period in the units sold by first determining the portion of its entire interest in USNG that would give rise to long-term capital gain or loss if its entire interest were sold and the portion that would give rise to short-term capital gain or loss if the entire interest were sold and the portion sa if it had sold its entire interest in USNG.

Under Section 751 of the Code, a portion of a unitholder s gain or loss from the sale of units (regardless of the holding period for such units), will be separately computed and taxed as ordinary income or loss to the extent attributable to unrealized receivables or inventory owned by USNG. The term unrealized receivables includes, among other things, market discount bonds and short-term debt instruments to the extent such items would give rise to ordinary income if sold by USNG.

If some or all of your units are lent by your broker or other agent to a third party for example, for use by the third party in covering a short sale you may be considered as having made a taxable disposition of the loaned units, in which case

you may recognize taxable gain or loss to the same extent as if you had sold the units for cash; any of USNG s income, gain, loss or deduction allocable to those units during the period of the loan will not be reportable by you for tax purposes; and

any distributions you receive with respect to the units will be fully taxable, most likely as ordinary income. Unitholders desiring to avoid these and other possible consequences of a deemed disposition of their units should consider modifying any applicable brokerage account agreements to prohibit the lending of their units.

Other Tax Matters

Information Reporting. We report tax information to the beneficial owners of units. Unitholders who have become additional limited partners are treated as partners for federal income tax purposes. The IRS has ruled that assignees of partnership interests who have not been admitted to a partnership as partners but who

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have the capacity to exercise substantial dominion and control over the assigned partnership interests will be considered partners for federal income tax purposes. On the basis of such ruling, except as otherwise provided herein, we treat the following persons as partners for federal income tax purposes: (1) assignees of units who are pending admission as limited partners, and (2) unitholders whose units are held in street name or by another nominee and who have the right to direct the nominee in the exercise of all substantive rights attendant to the ownership of their units. USNG will furnish unitholders each year with tax information on IRS Schedule K-1 (Form 1065), which will be used by the unitholders in completing their tax returns.

Persons who hold an interest in USNG as a nominee for another person are required to furnish to us the following information: (1) the name, address and taxpayer identification number of the beneficial owner and the nominee; (2) whether the beneficial owner is (a) a person that is not a U.S. person, (b) a foreign government, an international organization or any wholly-owned agency or instrumentality of either of the foregoing, or (c) a tax-exempt entity; (3) the amount and description of units acquired or transferred for the beneficial owner; and (4) certain information including the dates of acquisitions and transfers, means of acquisitions and transfers, and acquisition cost for purchases, as well as the amount of net proceeds from sales. Brokers and financial institutions are required to furnish additional information, including whether they are U.S. persons and certain information on units they acquire, hold or transfer for their own account. A penalty of \$50 per failure, up to a maximum of \$100,000 per calendar year, is imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended for failure to report such information to us. The nominee is required to supply the beneficial owner of the units with the information furnished to us.

Partnership Audit Procedures. The IRS may audit the federal income tax returns filed by USNG. Adjustments resulting from any such audit may require each unitholder to adjust a prior year s tax liability and could result in an audit of the unitholder s own return. Any audit of a unitholder s return could result in adjustments of non-partnership items as well as USNG items. Partnerships are generally treated as separate entities for purposes of federal tax audits, judicial review of administrative adjustments by the IRS, and tax settlement proceedings. The tax treatment of partnership items of income, gain, loss and deduction are determined at the partnership level in a unified partnership proceeding rather than in separate proceedings with the unitholders. The Code provides for one unitholder to be designated as the tax matters partner and represent the partnership purposes of these proceedings. The LP Agreement appoints the General Partner as the tax matters partner of USNG.

Tax Shelter Disclosure Rules. In certain circumstances the Code and Treasury Regulations require that the IRS be notified of taxable transactions through a disclosure statement attached to a taxpayer s United States federal income tax return. In addition, certain material advisers must maintain a list of persons participating in such transactions and furnish the list to the IRS upon written request. These disclosure rules may apply to transactions irrespective of whether they are structured to achieve particular tax benefits. They could require disclosure by USNG or unitholders (1) if a unitholder incurs a loss in excess a specified threshold from a sale or redemption of its units, (2) if USNG engages in transactions producing differences between its taxable income and its income for financial reporting purposes, or (3) possibly in other circumstances. While these rules generally do not require disclosure of a loss recognized on the disposition of an asset in which the taxpayer has a qualifying basis (generally a basis equal to the amount of cash paid by the taxpayer for such asset), they apply to a loss recognized with respect to interests in a passthrough entity, such as the units, even if the taxpayer s basis in such interests is equal to the amount of cash it paid. In addition, under recently enacted legislation, significant penalties may be imposed in connection with a failure to comply with these reporting requirements. *Investors should consult their own tax advisors concerning the application of these reporting requirements to their specific situation.*

Tax-Exempt Organizations. Subject to numerous exceptions, qualified retirement plans and individual retirement accounts, charitable organizations and certain other organizations that otherwise are exempt from federal income tax (collectively exempt organizations) nonetheless are subject to the tax on unrelated business taxable income (UBTI).

Generally, UBTI means the gross income derived by an exempt organization from a trade or business that it regularly carries on, the conduct of which is not substantially related to the exercise or performance of its exempt purpose or function, less allowable deductions directly connected with that trade or business. If USNG were to regularly carry on (directly or indirectly) a trade or business that is unrelated with respect to an exempt organization unitholder, then in computing its UBTI, the unitholder

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must include its share of (1) USNG s gross income from the unrelated trade or business, whether or not distributed, and (2) USNG s allowable deductions directly connected with that gross income.

UBTI generally does not include dividends, interest, or payments with respect to securities loans and gains from the sale of property (other than property held for sale to customers in the ordinary course of a trade or business). Nonetheless, income on, and gain from the disposition of, debt-financed property is UBTI. Debt-financed property generally is income-producing property (including securities), the use of which is not substantially related to the exempt organization s tax-exempt purposes, and with respect to which there is acquisition indebtedness at any time during the taxable year (or, if the property was disposed of during the taxable year, the 12-month period ending with the disposition). Acquisition indebtedness includes debt incurred to acquire property, debt incurred before the acquisition of property if the debt would not have been incurred but for the acquisition and at the time of acquisition the incurrence of debt was foreseeable. The portion of the income from debt-financed property attributable to acquisition indebtedness is equal to the ratio of the average outstanding principal amount of acquisition indebtedness is of the property for the year. USNG currently does not anticipate that it will borrow money to acquire investments; however, USNG cannot be certain that it will not borrow for such purpose in the future. In addition, an exempt organization unitholder that incurs acquisition indebtedness to purchase its units in USNG may have UBTI.

The federal tax rate applicable to an exempt organization unitholder on its UBTI generally will be either the corporate or trust tax rate, depending upon the unitholder s form of organization. USNG may report to each such unitholder information as to the portion, if any, of the unitholder s income and gains from USNG for any year that will be treated as UBTI; the calculation of that amount is complex, and there can be no assurance that USNG s calculation of UBTI will be accepted by the Service. An exempt organization unitholder will be required to make payments of estimated federal income tax with respect to its UBTI.

Regulated Investment Companies. Under recently enacted legislation, interests in and income from qualified publicly traded partnerships satisfying certain gross income tests are treated as qualifying assets and income, respectively, for purposes of determining eligibility for regulated investment company (RIC) status. A RIC may invest up to 25% of its assets in interests in a qualified publicly traded partnership. The determination of whether a publicly traded partnership such as USNG is a qualified publicly traded partnership is made on an annual basis. USNG expects to be a qualified publicly traded partnership in each of its taxable years. However, such qualification is not assured.

Non-U.S. Unitholders

Generally, non-U.S. persons who derive U.S. source income or gain from investing or engaging in a U.S. business are taxable on two categories of income. The first category consists of amounts that are fixed, determinable, annual and periodic income, such as interest, dividends and rent that are not connected with the operation of a U.S. trade or business (FDAP). The second category is income that is effectively connected with the conduct of a U.S. trade or business (ECI). FDAP income (other than interest that is considered portfolio interest) is generally subject to a 30 percent withholding tax, which may be reduced for certain categories of income by a treaty between the U.S. and the recipient s country of residence. In contrast, ECI is generally subject to U.S. tax on a net basis at graduated rates upon the filing of a U.S. tax return. Where a non-U.S. person has ECI as a result of an investment in a partnership, the ECI is subject to a withholding tax at a rate of 35 percent for both individual and corporate unitholders.

Withholding on Allocations and Distributions. The Code provides that a non-U.S. person who is a partner in a partnership that is engaged in a U.S. trade or business during a taxable year will also be considered to be engaged in a

U.S. trade or business during that year. Classifying an activity by a partnership as an investment or an operating business is a factual determination. Under certain safe harbors in the Code, an investment fund whose activities consist of trading in stocks, securities, or commodities for its own account generally will not be considered to be engaged in a U.S. trade or business unless it is a dealer is such stocks, securities, or commodities. This safe harbor applies to investments in commodities only if the commodities are of a kind customarily dealt in on an organized commodity exchange and if the transaction is of a kind customarily consummated at such place. Although the matter is not free from doubt, USNG believes that the

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activities directly conducted by USNG do not result in USNG being engaged in a trade or business within in the United States. However, there can be no assurance that the IRS would not successfully assert that USNG s activities constitute a U.S. trade or business.

In the event that USNG s activities were considered to constitute a U.S. trade or business, USNG would be required to withhold at the highest rate specified in Code section 1 (currently 35 percent) on allocations of our income to non-U.S. unitholders. A non-U.S. unitholder with ECI will generally be required to file a U.S. federal income tax return, and the return will provide the non-U.S. unitholder with the mechanism to seek a refund of any withholding in excess of such unitholder s actual U.S. federal income tax liability. Any amount withheld by USNG will be treated as a distribution to the non-U.S. unitholder.

If USNG is not treated as engaged in a U.S. trade or business, a non-U.S. unitholder may nevertheless be treated as having FDAP income, which would be subject to a 30 percent withholding tax (possibly subject to reduction by treaty), with respect to some or all of its distributions from USNG or its allocable share of USNG income. Amounts withheld on behalf of a non-U.S. unitholder will be treated as being distributed to such unitholder.

To the extent any interest income allocated to a non-U.S. unitholder that otherwise constitutes FDAP is considered portfolio interest, neither the allocation of such interest income to the non-U.S. unitholder nor a subsequent distribution of such interest income to the non-U.S. unitholder will be subject to withholding, provided that the non-U.S. unitholder is not otherwise engaged in a trade or business in the U.S. and provides USNG with a timely and properly completed and executed IRS Form W-8BEN or other applicable form. In general, portfolio interest is interest paid on debt obligations issued in registered form, unless the recipient owns 10 percent or more of the voting power of the issuer.

Most of USNG s interest income qualifies as portfolio interest. In order for USNG to avoid withholding on any interest income allocable to non-U.S. unitholders that would qualify as portfolio interest, it will be necessary for all non-U.S. unitholders to provide USNG with a timely and properly completed and executed Form W-8BEN (or other applicable form). If a non-U.S. unitholder fails to provide a properly completed Form W-8BEN, the General Partner may request that the non-U.S. unitholder provide, within 15 days after the request by the General Partner, a properly completed Form W-8BEN. If a non-U.S. unitholder fails to comply with this request, the units owned by such non-U.S. unitholder will be subject to redemption.

Gain from Sale of Units. Gain from the sale or exchange of the units may be taxable to a non-U.S. unitholder if the non-U.S. unitholder is a nonresident alien individual who is present in the U.S. for 183 days or more during the taxable year. In such case, the nonresident alien individual will be subject to a 30 percent withholding tax on the amount of such individual s gain.

Branch Profits Tax on Corporate Non-U.S. Unitholders. In addition to the taxes noted above, any non-U.S. unitholders that are corporations may also be subject to an additional tax, the branch profits tax, at a rate of 30 percent. The branch profits tax is imposed on a non-U.S. corporation s dividend equivalent amount, which generally consists of the corporation s after-tax earnings and profits that are effectively connected with the corporation s U.S. trade or business but are not reinvested in a U.S. business. This tax may be reduced or eliminated by an income tax treaty between the United States and the country in which the non-U.S. unitholder is a qualified resident.

Prospective non-U.S. unitholders should consult their tax advisor with regard to these and other issues unique to non-U.S. unitholders.

Backup Withholding

USNG may be required to withhold U.S. federal income tax (backup withholding) at a rate of 28 percent from all taxable distributions payable to: (1) any unitholder who fails to furnish USNG with his, her or its correct taxpayer identification number or a certificate that the unitholder is exempt from backup withholding, and (2) any unitholder with respect to whom the IRS notifies USNG that the unitholder has failed to properly report certain interest and dividend income to the IRS and to respond to notices to that effect. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be returned or credited against a taxpayer s regular federal income tax liability if appropriate information is provided to the IRS.

Other Tax Considerations

In addition to federal income taxes, unitholders may be subject to other taxes, such as state and local income taxes, unincorporated business taxes, business franchise taxes, and estate, inheritance or intangible taxes that may be imposed by the various jurisdictions in which USNG does business or owns property or where the unitholders reside. Although an analysis of those various taxes is not presented here, each prospective unitholder should consider their potential impact on its investment in USNG. It is each unitholder s responsibility to file the appropriate U.S. federal, state, local, and foreign tax returns. Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP has not provided an opinion concerning any aspects of state, local or foreign tax or U.S. federal tax other than those U.S. federal income tax issues discussed herein.

Investment By ERISA Accounts

General

Most employee benefit plans and individual retirement accounts (IRAs) are subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA) or the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), or both. This section discusses certain considerations that arise under ERISA and the Code that a fiduciary of an employee benefit plan as defined in ERISA or a plan as defined in Section 4975 of the Code who has investment discretion should take into account before deciding to invest the plan s assets in USNG. Employee benefit plans and plans are collectively referred to below as plans, and fiduciaries with investment discretion are referred to below as plan fiduciaries.

This summary is based on the provisions of ERISA and the Code as of the date hereof. This summary is not intended to be complete, but only to address certain questions under ERISA and the Code likely to be raised by your advisors. The summary does not include state or local law.

Potential plan investors are urged to consult with their own professional advisors concerning the appropriateness of an investment in USNG and the manner in which units should be purchased.

Special Investment Considerations

Each plan fiduciary must consider the facts and circumstances that are relevant to an investment in USNG, including the role that an investment in USNG would play in the plan s overall investment portfolio. Each plan fiduciary, before deciding to invest in USNG, must be satisfied that the investment is prudent for the plan, that the investments of the plan are diversified so as to minimize the risk of large losses and that an investment in USNG complies with the terms of the plan.

USNG and Plan Assets

A regulation issued under ERISA contains rules for determining when an investment by a plan in an equity interest of a limited partnership will result in the underlying assets of the partnership being deemed plan assets for purposes of

ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code. Those rules provide that assets of a limited partnership will not be plan assets of a plan that purchases an equity interest in the partnership if the equity interest purchased is a publicly-offered security. If the underlying assets of a partnership are considered to be assets of any plan for purposes of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, the operations of that partnership would be subject to and, in some cases, limited by, the provisions of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code.

The publicly-offered security exception described above applies if the equity interest is a security that is:

freely transferable (determined based on the relevant facts and circumstances); (1)

(2) part of a class of securities that is widely held (meaning that the class of securities is owned by 100 or more investors independent of the issuer and of each other); and

either (a) part of a class of securities registered under Section 12(b) or 12(g) of the Exchange Act or (b) sold to the plan as part of a public offering pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933 and

(3) the class of which such security is a part is registered under the Exchange Act within 120 days (or such later time as may be allowed by the SEC) after the end of the fiscal year of the issuer in which the offering of such security occurred.

The plan asset regulations under ERISA state that the determination of whether a security is freely transferable is to be made based on all the relevant facts and circumstances. In the case of a security that is part of

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an offering in which the minimum investment is \$10,000 or less, the following requirements, alone or in combination, ordinarily will not affect a finding that the security is freely transferable: (1) a requirement that no transfer or assignment of the security or rights relating to the security be made that would violate any federal or state law, (2) a requirement that no transfer or assignment be made without advance written notice given to the entity that issued the security, and (3) any restriction on the substitution of assignee as a limited partner of a partnership, including a general partner consent requirement, provided that the economic benefits of ownership of the assignor may be transferred or assigned without regard to such restriction or consent (other than compliance with any of the foregoing restrictions).

The General Partner believes that the conditions described above are satisfied with respect to the units. The General Partner believes that the units therefore constitute publicly-offered securities, and the underlying assets of USNG are not considered to constitute plan assets of any plan that purchases units.

Prohibited Transactions

ERISA and the Code generally prohibit certain transactions involving the plan and persons who have certain specified relationships to the plan.

In general, units may not be purchased with the assets of a plan if the General Partner, the clearing brokers, the trading advisors (if any), or any of their affiliates, agents or employees either:

exercise any discretionary authority or discretionary control with respect to management of the plan; exercise any authority or control with respect to management or disposition of the assets of the plan; render investment advice for a fee or other compensation, direct or indirect, with respect to any moneys or other property of the plan;

have any authority or responsibility to render investment advice with respect to any monies or other property of the plan; or

have any discretionary authority or discretionary responsibility in the administration of the plan.

Also, a prohibited transaction may occur under ERISA or the Code when circumstances indicate that (1) the investment in a unit is made or retained for the purpose of avoiding application of the fiduciary standards of ERISA, (2) the investment in a unit constitutes an arrangement under which USNG is expected to engage in transactions that would otherwise be prohibited if entered into directly by the plan purchasing the unit, (3) the investing plan, by itself, has the authority or influence to cause USNG to engage in such transactions, or (4) a person who is prohibited from transacting with the investing plan may, but only with the aid of certain of its affiliates and the investing plan, cause USNG to engage in such transactions with such person.

Special IRA Rules

IRAs are not subject to ERISA s fiduciary standards, but are subject to their own rules, including the prohibited transaction rules of Section 4975 of the Code, which generally mirror ERISA s prohibited transaction rules. For example, IRAs are subject to special custody rules and must maintain a qualifying IRA custodial arrangement separate and distinct from USNG and its custodial arrangement. Otherwise, if a separate qualifying custodial arrangement is not maintained, an investment in the units will be treated as a distribution from the IRA. Second, IRAs are prohibited from investing in certain commingled investments, and the General Partner makes no representation regarding whether an investment in units is an inappropriate commingled investment for an IRA. Third, in applying the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, in addition to the rules summarized above, the individual for whose benefit the IRA is maintained is also treated as the creator of the IRA. For example, if the owner or beneficiary of an IRA enters into any transaction, arrangement, or agreement involving the assets of his or her IRA

to benefit the IRA owner or beneficiary (or his or her relatives or business affiliates) personally, or with the understanding that such benefit will occur, directly or indirectly, such transaction could give rise to a prohibited transaction that is not exempted by any available exemption. Moreover, in the case of an IRA, the consequences of a non-exempt prohibited transaction are that the IRA s assets will be treated as if they were distributed, causing immediate taxation of the assets (including any early distribution penalty tax applicable under Section 72 of the Code), in addition to any other fines or penalties that may apply.

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Exempt Plans

Certain employee benefit plans may be governmental plans or church plans. Governmental plans and church plans are generally not subject to ERISA, nor do the above-described prohibited transaction provisions described above apply to them. These plans are, however, subject to prohibitions against certain related-party transactions under Section 503 of the Code, which operate similar to the prohibited transaction rules described above. In addition, the fiduciary of any governmental or church plan must consider any applicable state or local laws and any restrictions and duties of common law imposed upon the plan.

No view is expressed as to whether an investment in USNG (and any continued investment in USNG), or the operation and administration of USNG, is appropriate or permissible for any governmental plan or church plan under Code Section 503, or under any state, county, local or other law relating to that type of plan.

Allowing an investment in USNG is not to be construed as a representation by USNG, its General Partner, any trading advisor, any clearing broker, the Marketing Agent or legal counsel or other advisors to such parties or any other party that this investment meets some or all of the relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by any particular plan or that this investment is appropriate for any such particular plan. The person with investment discretion should consult with the plan s attorney and financial advisors as to the propriety of an investment in USNG in light of the circumstances of the particular plan, current tax law and ERISA.

INFORMATION YOU SHOULD KNOW

This prospectus contains information you should consider when making an investment decision about the units. You may rely on the information contained in this prospectus or any information incorporated by reference to this prospectus. Neither USNG nor its General Partner has authorized any person to provide you with different information and, if anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. This prospectus is not an offer to sell the units in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale of the units is not permitted.

The information contained in this prospectus was obtained from us and other sources believed by us to be reliable.

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement or any information incorporated by reference to this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with any information that is different. If you receive any unauthorized information, you must not rely on it. You should disregard anything we said in an earlier document that is inconsistent with what is included in this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement or any information incorporated by reference to this prospectus. Where the context requires, when we refer to this prospectus, we are referring to this prospectus and (if applicable) the relevant prospectus supplement.

You should not assume that the information in this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement is current as of any date other than the date on the front page of this prospectus or the date on the front page of any applicable prospectus supplement.

We include cross references in this prospectus to captions in these materials where you can find further related discussions. The table of contents tells you where to find these captions.

SUMMARY OF PROMOTIONAL AND SALES MATERIAL

USNG uses the following sales material it has prepared:

USNG s website, *www.unitedstatesnaturalgasfund.com*; and USNG fact sheet available on USNG s website.

The materials described above are not a part of this prospectus or the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part and have been submitted to the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission for their review pursuant to Industry Guide 5.

PATENT APPLICATION PENDING

A patent application by the General Partner directed to the creation and operation of the United States Natural Gas Fund, LP is pending and the General Partner s registration of USNG s trademarks is in process at the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

The General Partner has filed on behalf of USNG a post-effective amendment to its registration statement on Form S-3 (amending its original registration statement on Form S-1) with the SEC under the 1933 Act. This prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement (including the exhibits to the registration statement), parts of which have been omitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC. For further information about USNG or the units, please refer to the registration statement, which you may inspect, without charge, at the public reference facilities of the SEC at the below address or online at *www.sec.gov*, or obtain at prescribed rates from the public reference facilities of the SEC at the below address. Information about USNG and the units can also be obtained from USNG s website, which is www.unitedstatesnaturalgasfund.com. USNG s website address is only provided here as a convenience to you and the information contained on or connected to the website is not part of this prospectus or the registration statement of which this prospectus is part. USNG is subject to the informational requirements of the Exchange Act and the General Partner and USNG will each, on behalf of USNG, file certain reports and other information with the SEC. The General Partner will file an updated prospectus annually for USNG pursuant to the Securities Act. The reports and other information can be inspected at the public reference facilities of the SEC located at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20549 and online at www.sec.gov. You may also obtain copies of such material from the public reference facilities of the SEC at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20549, at prescribed rates. You may obtain more information concerning the operation of the public reference facilities of the SEC by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 or visiting online at www.sec.gov.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF CERTAIN INFORMATION

We are a reporting company and file annual, quarterly and current reports and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission allow us to incorporate by reference information that we file with them, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is an important part of this prospectus, and information that we file later with the Securities and Exchange Commission will automatically update and

supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any future filings we will make with the Securities and Exchange Commission under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 from the date of this Registration Statement on Form S-3 until our offering is completed:

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 filed March 2, 2009; Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2009 filed May 11, 2009. Current Reports on Form 8-K filed January 30, 2009, February 27, 2009, March 30, 2009; March 31, 2009; March 31, 2009; April 30, 2009; May 1, 2009; May 6, 2009 and May 29, 2009.

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The description of our units contained in the registration statement on Form 8-A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 24, 2008 pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, together with all amendments or reports filed for the purpose of updating such description. We will provide to each person to whom a prospectus is delivered, including any beneficial owner, a copy of these filings at no cost, upon written or oral request at the following address or telephone number:

> United States Natural Gas Fund, LP Attention: Nicholas D. Gerber 1320 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 145 Alameda, CA 94502 (510) 522-3336

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APPENDIX A Glossary of Defined Terms

In this prospectus, each of the following terms have the meanings set forth after such term:

Administrator: Brown Brothers Harriman & Co.

Authorized Purchaser: One that purchases or redeems Creation Baskets or Redemption Baskets, respectively, from or to USNG.

Benchmark Futures Contract: The near month futures contract for natural gas traded on the NYMEX unless the near month futures contract will expire within two weeks of the valuation day, in which case the Benchmark Futures Contract is the next month futures contract for natural gas traded on the NYMEX.

Business Day: Any day other than a day when any of the NYSE Arca, the NYMEX or the New York Stock Exchange is closed for regular trading.

CFTC: Commodity Futures Trading Commission, an independent agency with the mandate to regulate commodity futures and options in the United States.

Code: Internal Revenue Code.

Commodity Pool: An enterprise in which several individuals contribute funds in order to trade futures or future options collectively.

Commodity Pool Operator or CPO: Any person engaged in a business which is of the nature of an investment trust, syndicate, or similar enterprise, and who, in connection therewith, solicits, accepts, or receives from others, funds, securities, or property, either directly or through capital contributions, the sale of stock or other forms of securities, or otherwise, for the purpose of trading in any commodity for future delivery or commodity option on or subject to the rules of any contract market.

Creation Basket: A block of 100,000 units used by USNG to issue units.

Custodian: Brown Brothers Harriman & Co.

DTC: The Depository Trust Company. DTC will act as the securities depository for the units.

DTC Participant: An entity that has an account with DTC.

DTEF: A derivatives transaction execution facility.

Exchange Act: The Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Exchange for Physical (EFP): An off market transaction which involves the swapping (or exchanging) of an over-the-counter (OTC) position for a futures position. The OTC transaction must be for the same or similar quantity

or amount of a specified commodity, or a substantially similar commodity or instrument. The OTC side of the EFP can include swaps, swap options, or other instruments traded in the OTC market. In order that an EFP transaction can take place, the OTC side and futures components must be substantially similar in terms of either value and or quantity. The net result is that the OTC position (and the inherent counterparty credit exposure) is transferred from the OTC market to the futures market. EFPs can also work in reverse, where a futures position can be reversed and transferred to the OTC market.

Exchange for Swap: A technique, analogous to an EFP transaction used by financial institutions to avoid taking physical delivery of commodities. A dealer takes the financial institution s futures positions into its own account and swaps the commodity return for a funding rate.

FINRA: Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, formerly the National Association of Securities Dealers.

- **Futures Contracts:** Futures contracts for natural gas, crude oil, heating oil, gasoline, and other petroleum-based fuels that are traded on the NYMEX, ICE Futures or other U.S. and foreign exchanges.
 - **General Partner:** United States Commodity Funds LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, which is registered as a Commodity Pool Operator, who controls the investments and other decisions of USNG.

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ICE Futures: The leading electronic regulated futures and options exchange for global energy markets. Its trading platform offers participants access to a wide spectrum of energy futures products.

Indirect Participants: Banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a DTC Participant, either directly or indirectly.

Investor: Beneficial owner of the units.

Limited Liability Company (LLC): A type of business ownership combining several features of corporation and partnership structures.

LP Agreement: The Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership dated as of December 4, 2007.

Margin: The amount of equity required for an investment in futures contracts.

mmBtu: 10,000 million British thermal units.

NASAA: North American Securities Administration Association, Inc.

NAV: Net Asset Value of USNG.

NFA: National Futures Association.

NSCC: National Securities Clearing Corporation.

New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX): The primary exchange on which futures contracts are traded in the U.S. USNG expects to invest primarily in futures contracts, and particularly in futures contracts traded on the New York Mercantile Exchange. USNG expressly disclaims any association with the Exchange or endorsement of USNG by the Exchange and acknowledges that NYMEX and New York Mercantile Exchange are registered trademarks of such Exchange.

Natural Gas Interests: Natural gas Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas Interests.

1933 Act: The Securities Act of 1933.

Option: The right, but not the obligation, to buy or sell a futures contract or forward contract at a specified price on or before a specified date.

Other Natural Gas Interests: Other natural gas related investments such as cash-settled options on natural gas Futures Contracts, forward contracts for crude oil, and over-the-counter transactions that are based on the price of crude oil, other petroleum-based fuels, natural gas Futures Contracts and indices based on the foregoing.

Over-the-Counter Derivative: A financial contract, whose value is designed to track the return on stocks, bonds, currencies, commodities, or some other benchmark, that is traded over-the-counter or off organized exchanges.

Redemption Basket: A block of 100,000 units used by USNG to redeem units.

Related Public Funds: USOF, US12OF, UGA and USHO.

SEC: Securities and Exchange Commission.

Secondary Market: The stock exchanges and the over-the-counter market. Securities are first issued as a primary offering to the public. When the securities are traded from that first holder to another, the issues trade in these secondary markets.

Spot Contract: A cash market transaction in which the buyer and seller agree to the immediate purchase and sale of a commodity, usually with a two-day settlement.

Swap Contract: An over-the-counter derivative that generally involves an exchange of a stream of payments between the contracting parties based on a notional amount and a specified index.

Tracking Error: Possibility that the daily NAV of USNG will not track the price of natural gas.

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Treasuries: Obligations of the U.S. government with remaining maturities of 2 years or less.

UGA: United States Gasoline Fund, LP.

USHO: United States Heating Oil Fund, LP.

USNG: United States Natural Gas Fund, LP.

USOF: United States Oil Fund, LP.

USSO: United States Short Oil Fund, LP.

US12NG: United States 12 Month Natural Gas Fund, LP.

US12OF: United States 12 Month Oil Fund, LP.

Valuation Day: Any trading day as of which USNG calculates its NAV.

You: The owner of units.

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STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

Before you decide whether to invest, you should read this entire prospectus carefully and consider the risk factors beginning on page <u>12</u>.

This prospectus is in two parts: a disclosure document and a statement of additional information. These parts are bound together, and both parts contain important information.

This statement of additional information and accompanying disclosure document are both dated [], 2009.

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The Commodity Interest Markets

General

The Commodity Exchange Act or CEA governs the regulation of commodity interest transactions, markets and intermediaries. In December 2000, the CEA was amended by the Commodity Futures Modernization Act of 2000, or CFMA, which substantially revised the regulatory framework governing certain commodity interest transactions and the markets on which they trade. The CEA, as amended by the CFMA, now provides for varying degrees of regulation of commodity interest transactions depending upon the variables of the transaction. In general, these variables include (1) the type of instrument being traded (e.g., contracts for future delivery, options, swaps or spot contracts), (2) the type of commodity underlying the instrument (distinctions are made between instruments based on agricultural commodities, energy and metals commodities and financial commodities), (3) the nature of the parties to the transaction (retail, eligible contract participant, or eligible commercial entity), (4) whether the transaction occurs, and (6) whether the transaction is subject to clearing through a clearing organization. Information regarding commodity interest transactions, markets and intermediaries, and their associated regulatory environment, is provided below.

Futures Contracts

A futures contract such as a Futures Contract is a standardized contract traded on, or subject to the rules of, an exchange that calls for the future delivery of a specified quantity and type of a commodity at a specified time and place. Futures contracts are traded on a wide variety of commodities, including agricultural products, bonds, stock indices, interest rates, currencies, energy and metals. The size and terms of futures contracts on a particular commodity are identical and are not subject to any negotiation, other than with respect to price and the number of contracts traded between the buyer and seller.

The contractual obligations of a buyer or seller may generally be satisfied by taking or making physical delivery of the underlying of commodity or by making an offsetting sale or purchase of an identical futures contract on the same or linked exchange before the designated date of delivery. The difference between the price at which the futures contract is purchased or sold and the price paid for the offsetting sale or purchase, after allowance for brokerage commissions, constitutes the profit or loss to the trader. Some futures contracts, such as stock index contracts, settle in cash (reflecting the difference between the contract purchase/sale price and the contract settlement price) rather than by delivery of the underlying commodity.

In market terminology, a trader who purchases a futures contract is long in the market and a trader who sells a futures contract is short in the market. Before a trader closes out his long or short position by an offsetting sale or purchase, his outstanding contracts are known as open trades or open positions. The aggregate amount of open positions held by traders in a particular contract is referred to as the open interest in such contract.

Forward Contracts

A forward contract is a contractual obligation to purchase or sell a specified quantity of a commodity at or before a specified date in the future at a specified price and, therefore, is economically similar to a futures contract. Unlike futures contracts, however, forward contracts are typically traded in the over-the-counter markets and are not standardized contracts. Forward contracts for a given commodity are generally available for various amounts and maturities and are subject to individual negotiation between the parties involved. Moreover, generally there is no

direct means of offsetting or closing out a forward contract by taking an offsetting position as one would a futures contract on a U.S. exchange. If a trader desires to close out a forward contract position, he generally will establish an opposite position in the contract but will settle and recognize the profit or loss on both positions simultaneously on the delivery date. Thus, unlike in the futures contract market where a trader who has offset positions will recognize profit or loss immediately, in the forward market a trader with a position that has been offset at a profit will generally not receive such profit until the delivery date. In recent years, however, the terms of forward contracts have become more standardized, and in some instances such contracts now provide a right of offset or cash settlement as an alternative to making or taking delivery of the underlying commodity.

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The forward markets provide what has typically been a highly liquid market for foreign exchange trading, and in certain cases the prices quoted for foreign exchange forward contracts may be more favorable than the prices for foreign exchange futures contracts traded on U.S. exchanges. The forward markets are largely unregulated. Forward contracts are, in general, not cleared or guaranteed by a third party. Commercial banks participating in trading foreign exchange forward contracts often do not require margin deposits, but rely upon internal credit limitations and their judgments regarding the creditworthiness of their counterparties. In recent years, however, many over-the-counter market participants in foreign exchange trading have begun to require that their counterparties post margin.

Further, as the result of the CFMA, over-the-counter derivative instruments such as forward contracts and swap agreements (and options on forwards and physical commodities) may begin to be traded on lightly-regulated exchanges or electronic trading platforms that may, but are not required to, provide for clearing facilities. Exchanges and electronic trading platforms on which over-the-counter instruments may be traded and the regulation and criteria for that trading are more fully described below under Futures Exchanges and Clearing Organizations. Nonetheless, absent a clearing facility, USNG s trading in foreign exchange and other forward contracts is exposed to the creditworthiness of the counterparties on the other side of the trade.

Options on Futures Contracts

Options on futures contracts are standardized contracts traded on an exchange. An option on a futures contract gives the buyer of the option the right, but not the obligation, to take a position at a specified price (the striking, strike, or exercise price) in the underlying futures contract or underlying interest. The buyer of a call option acquires the right, but not the obligation, to sell or take a short position in the underlying interest.

The seller, or writer, of an option is obligated to take a position in the underlying interest at a specified price opposite to the option buyer if the option is exercised. Thus, the seller of a call option must stand ready to take a short position in the underlying interest at the strike price if the buyer should exercise the option. The seller of a put option, on the other hand, must stand ready to take a long position in the underlying interest at the strike price.

A call option is said to be in-the-money if the strike price is below current market levels and out-of-the-money if the strike price is above current market levels. Conversely, a put option is said to be in-the-money if the strike price is above the current market levels and out-of-the-money if the strike price is below current market levels.

Options have limited life spans, usually tied to the delivery or settlement date of the underlying interest. Some options, however, expire significantly in advance of such date. The purchase price of an option is referred to as its premium, which consists of its intrinsic value (which is related to the underlying market value) plus its time value. As an option nears its expiration date, the time value shrinks and the market and intrinsic values move into parity. An option that is out-of-the-money and not offset by the time it expires becomes worthless. On certain exchanges, in-the-money options are automatically exercised on their expiration date, but on others unexercised options simply become worthless after their expiration date.

Regardless of how much the market swings, the most an option buyer can lose is the option premium. The option buyer deposits his premium with his broker, and the money goes to the option seller. Option sellers, on the other hand, face risks similar to participants in the futures markets. For example, since the seller of a call option is assigned a short futures position if the option is exercised, his risk is the same as someone who initially sold a futures contract. Because no one can predict exactly how the market will move, the option seller posts margin to demonstrate his ability to meet any potential contractual obligations.

Options on Forward Contracts or Commodities

Options on forward contracts or commodities operate in a manner similar to options on futures contracts. An option on a forward contract or commodity gives the buyer of the option the right, but not the obligation, to take a position at a specified price in the underlying forward contract or commodity. However, similar to forward contracts, options on forward contracts or on commodities are individually negotiated contracts between counterparties and are typically traded in the over-the-counter market. Therefore, options on forward

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contracts and physical commodities possess many of the same characteristics of forward contracts with respect to offsetting positions and credit risk that are described above.

Swap Contracts

Swap transactions generally involve contracts between two parties to exchange a stream of payments computed by reference to a notional amount and the price of the asset that is the subject of the swap. Swap contracts are principally traded off-exchange, although recently, as a result of regulatory changes enacted as part of the CFMA, certain swap contracts are now being traded in electronic trading facilities and cleared through clearing organizations.

Swaps are usually entered into on a net basis, that is, the two payment streams are netted out in a cash settlement on the payment date or dates specified in the agreement, with the parties receiving or paying, as the case may be, only the net amount of the two payments. Swaps do not generally involve the delivery of underlying assets or principal. Accordingly, the risk of loss with respect to swaps is generally limited to the net amount of payments that the party is contractually obligated to make. In some swap transactions one or both parties may require collateral deposits from the counterparty to support that counterparty s obligation under the swap agreement. If the counterparty to such a swap defaults, the risk of loss consists of the net amount of payments that the party is contractually entitled to receive less to any collateral deposits it is holding.

Participants

The two broad classes of persons who trade commodities are hedgers and speculators. Hedgers include financial institutions that manage or deal in interest rate-sensitive instruments, foreign currencies or stock portfolios, and commercial market participants, such as farmers and manufacturers, that market or process commodities. Hedging is a protective procedure designed to lock in prices that would otherwise change due to an adverse movement in the price of the underlying commodity, for example, the adverse price movement between the time a merchandiser or processor enters into a contract to buy or sell a raw or processed commodity at a certain price and the time he must perform the contract. In such a case, at the time the hedger contracts to physically sell the commodity at a future date he will simultaneously buy a futures or forward contract for the necessary equivalent quantity of the commodity. At the time for performance of the contract, the hedger may accept delivery under his futures contract and sell the commodity quantity as required by his physical contract or he may buy the actual commodity, sell it under the physical contract and close out his position by making an offsetting sale of a futures contract.

The commodity interest markets enable the hedger to shift the risk of price fluctuations. The usual objective of the hedger is to protect the profit that he expects to earn from farming, merchandising, or processing operations rather than to profit from his trading. However, at times the impetus for a hedge transaction may result in part from speculative objectives and hedgers can end up paying higher prices than they would have, for example, if current market prices are lower than the locked in price.

Unlike the hedger, the speculator generally expects neither to make nor take delivery of the underlying commodity. Instead, the speculator risks his capital with the hope of making profits from price fluctuations in the commodities. The speculator is, in effect, the risk bearer who assumes the risks that the hedger seeks to avoid. Speculators rarely make or take delivery of the underlying commodity; rather they attempt to close out their positions prior to the delivery date. Because the speculator may take either a long or short position in commodities, it is possible for him to make profits or incur losses regardless of whether prices go up or down.

Futures Exchanges and Clearing Organizations

Futures exchanges provide centralized market facilities in which multiple persons have the ability to execute or trade contracts by accepting bids and offers from multiple participants. Futures exchanges may provide for execution of trades at a physical location utilizing trading pits and/or may provide for trading to be done electronically through computerized matching of bids and offers pursuant to various algorithms. Members of a particular exchange and the trades executed on such exchange are subject to the rules of that exchange. Futures exchanges and clearing organizations are given reasonable latitude in promulgating rules and regulations to control and regulate their members. Examples of regulations by exchanges and clearing organizations include the establishment of initial margin levels, rules regarding trading practices, contract specifications, speculative position limits, daily price fluctuation limits, and execution and clearing fees.

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Clearing organizations provide services designed to mutualize or transfer the credit risk arising from the trading of contracts on an exchange or other electronic trading facility. Once trades made between members of an exchange or electronic trading facility have been confirmed, the clearing organization becomes substituted for the clearing member acting on behalf of each buyer and each seller of contracts traded on the exchange or trading platform and in effect becomes the other party to the trade. Thereafter, each clearing member party to the trade looks only to the clearing organization for performance. The clearing organization generally establishes some sort of security or guarantee fund to which all clearing members of the exchange must contribute; this fund acts as an emergency buffer that is intended to enable the clearing organization to meet its obligations with regard to the other side of an insolvent clearing member s contracts. Furthermore, the clearing organization requires margin deposits and continuously marks positions to market to provide some assurance that its members will be able to fulfill their contractual obligations. Thus, a central function of the clearing organization is to ensure the integrity of trades, and members effecting transactions on an exchange need not concern themselves with the solvency of the party on the opposite side of the trade; their only remaining concerns are the respective solvencies of their own customers, their clearing broker and the clearing organizations do not deal with customers, but only with their member firms and the guarantee of performance for open positions provided by the clearing organization does not run to customers.

U.S. Futures Exchanges

Futures exchanges in the United States are subject to varying degrees of regulation by the CFTC based on their designation as one of the following: a designated contract market, a derivatives transaction execution facility, an exempt board of trade or an electronic trading facility.

A designated contract market is the most highly regulated level of futures exchange. Designated contract markets may offer products to retail customers on an unrestricted basis. To be designated as a contract market, the exchange must demonstrate that it satisfies specified general criteria for designation, such as having the ability to prevent market manipulation, rules and procedures to ensure fair and equitable trading, position limits, dispute resolution procedures, minimization of conflicts of interest and protection of market participants. Among the principal designated contract markets in the United States are the Chicago Board of Trade, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange and the New York Mercantile Exchange. Each of the designated contract markets in the United States must provide for the clearance and settlement of transactions with a CFTC-registered derivatives clearing organization.

A derivatives transaction execution facility, or DTEF, is a new type of exchange that is subject to fewer regulatory requirements than a designated contract market but is subject to both commodity interest and participant limitations. DTEFs limit access to eligible traders that qualify as either eligible contract participants or eligible commercial entities for futures and option contracts on commodities that have a nearly inexhaustible deliverable supply, are highly unlikely to be susceptible to the threat of manipulation, or have no cash market, security futures products, and futures and option contracts on commodities that the CFTC may determine, on a case-by-case basis, are highly unlikely to be susceptible to the threat of manipulation. In addition, certain commodity interests excluded or exempt from the CEA, such as swaps, etc. may be traded on a DTEF. There is no requirement that a DTEF use a clearing organization, except with respect to trading in security futures contracts, in which case the clearing organization must be a securities clearing agency. However, if futures contracts and options on futures contracts on a DTEF are cleared, then it must be through a CFTC-registered derivatives clearing organization, except that some excluded or exempt commodities traded on a DTEF may be cleared through a clearing organization other than one registered with the CFTC.

An exempt board of trade is also a newly designated form of exchange. An exempt board of trade is substantially unregulated, subject only to CFTC anti-fraud and anti-manipulation authority. An exempt board of trade is permitted to trade futures contracts and options on futures contracts provided that the underlying commodity is not a security or

securities index and has an inexhaustible deliverable supply or no cash market. All traders on an exempt board of trade must qualify as eligible contract participants. Contracts deemed eligible to be traded on an exempt board of trade include contracts on interest rates, exchange rates, currencies, credit risks or measures, debt instruments, measures of inflation, or other macroeconomic indices or measures. There is no requirement that an exempt board of trade use a clearing organization. However, if

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contracts on an exempt board of trade are cleared, then it must be through a CFTC-registered derivatives clearing organization. A board of trade electing to operate as an exempt board of trade must file a written notification with the CFTC.

An electronic trading facility is a new form of trading platform that operates by means of an electronic or telecommunications network and maintains an automated audit trail of bids, offers, and the matching of orders or the execution of transactions on the electronic trading facility. The CEA does not apply to, and the CFTC has no jurisdiction over, transactions on an electronic trading facility in certain excluded commodities that are entered into between principals that qualify as eligible contract participants, subject only to CFTC anti-fraud and anti-manipulation authority. In general, excluded commodities include interest rates, currencies, securities, securities indices or other financial, economic or commercial indices or measures.

The General Partner intends to monitor the development of and opportunities and risks presented by the new less-regulated exchanges and exempt boards as well as other trading platforms currently in place or that are being considered by regulators and may, in the future, allocate a percentage of USNG s assets to trading in products on these exchanges. Provided USNG maintains assets exceeding \$5 million, USNG would qualify as an eligible contract participant and thus would be able to trade on such exchanges.

Non-U.S. Futures Exchanges

Non-U.S. futures exchanges differ in certain respects from their U.S. counterparts. Importantly, non-U.S. futures exchanges are not subject to regulation by the CFTC, but rather are regulated by their home country regulator. In contrast to U.S. designated contract markets, some non-U.S. exchanges are principals markets, where trades remain the liability of the traders involved, and the exchange or an affiliated clearing organization, if any, does not become substituted for any party. Due to the absence of a clearing system, such exchanges are significantly more susceptible to disruptions. Further, participants in such markets must often satisfy themselves as to the individual creditworthiness of each entity with which they enter into a trade. Trading on non-U.S. exchanges is often in the currency of the exchange s home jurisdiction. Consequently, USNG is subject to the additional risk of fluctuations in the exchange rate between such currencies and U.S. dollars and the possibility that exchange controls could be imposed in the future. Trading on non-U.S. exchanges in a variety of ways and, accordingly, may subject USNG to additional risks.

Accountability Levels and Position Limits

The CFTC and U.S. designated contract markets have established accountability levels and position limits on the maximum net long or net short futures contracts in commodity interests that any person or group of persons under common trading control (other than a hedger, which USNG is not) may hold, own or control. Among the purposes of accountability levels and position limits is to prevent a corner or squeeze on a market or undue influence on prices by any single trader or group of traders. The position limits currently established by the CFTC apply to certain agricultural commodity interests, such as grains (oats, barley, and flaxseed), soybeans, corn, wheat, cotton, eggs, rye, and potatoes, but not to interests in energy products. In addition, U.S. exchanges may set accountability levels and position limits for all commodity interests traded on that exchange. For example, the current accountability level for investments at any one time in natural gas Futures Contracts (including investments in the Benchmark Futures Contract) on the New York Mercantile Exchange is 12,000 contracts. The New York Mercantile Exchange also imposes position limits on contracts held in the last few days of trading in the near month contract to expire. Certain exchanges or clearing organizations also set limits on the total net positions that may be held by a clearing broker. In

general, no position limits are in effect in forward or other over-the-counter contract trading or in trading on non-U.S.

futures exchanges, although the principals with which USNG and the clearing brokers may trade in such markets may impose such limits as a matter of credit policy. For purposes of determining accountability levels and position limits, USNG s commodity interest positions will not be attributable to investors in their own commodity interest trading.

Daily Price Limits

Most U.S. futures exchanges (but generally not non-U.S. exchanges) limit the amount of fluctuation in some futures contract or options on a futures contract prices during a single trading period by regulations. These regulations specify what are referred to as daily price fluctuation limits or more commonly, daily limits.

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The daily limits establish the maximum amount that the price of a futures or options on a futures contract may vary either up or down from the previous day s settlement price. Once the daily limit has been reached in a particular futures or options on a futures contract, no trades may be made at a price beyond the limit. Positions in the futures or options contract may then be taken or liquidated, if at all, only at inordinate expense or if traders are willing to effect trades at or within the limit during the period for trading on such day. Because the daily limit rule governs price movement only for a particular trading day, it does not limit losses and may in fact substantially increase losses because it may prevent the liquidation of unfavorable positions. Futures contract prices have occasionally moved to the daily limit for several consecutive trading days, thus preventing prompt liquidation of positions and subjecting the trader to substantial losses for those days. The concept of daily price limits is not relevant to over-the-counter contracts, including forwards and swaps, and thus such limits are not imposed by banks and others who deal in those markets.

In contrast, the New York Mercantile Exchange does not impose daily limits but rather limits the amount of price fluctuation for Futures Contracts. For example, the New York Mercantile Exchange imposes a \$3.00 per mmBtu (\$30,000 per contract) price fluctuation limit for natural gas Futures Contracts. This limit is initially based off of the previous trading day s settlement price. If any natural gas Futures Contract is traded, bid, or offered at the limit for five minutes, trading is halted for five minutes. When trading resumes it begins at the point where the limit was imposed and the limit is reset to be \$3.00 per mmBtu in either direction of that point. If another halt were triggered, the market would continue to be expanded by \$3.00 per mmBtu in either direction after each successive five-minute trading halt. There is no maximum price fluctuation limit during any one trading session.

Commodity Prices

Commodity prices are volatile and, although ultimately determined by the interaction of supply and demand, are subject to many other influences, including the psychology of the marketplace and speculative assessments of future world and economic events. Political climate, interest rates, treaties, balance of payments, exchange controls and other governmental interventions as well as numerous other variables affect the commodity markets, and even with comparatively complete information it is impossible for any trader to predict reliably commodity prices.

Regulation

Futures exchanges in the United States are subject to varying degrees of regulation under the CEA depending on whether such exchange is a designated contract market, DTEF, exempt board of trade or electronic trading facility. Derivatives clearing organizations are also subject to the CEA and CFTC regulation. The CFTC is the governmental agency charged with responsibility for regulation of futures exchanges and commodity interest trading conducted on those exchanges. The CFTC s function is to implement the CEA s objectives of preventing price manipulation and excessive speculation and promoting orderly and efficient commodity interest markets. In addition, the various exchanges and clearing organizations themselves exercise regulatory and supervisory authority over their member firms.

The CFTC possesses exclusive jurisdiction to regulate the activities of Commodity Pool Operators (CPOs) and commodity trading advisors and has adopted regulations with respect to the activities of those persons and/or entities. Under the CEA, a registered CPO, such as the General Partner, is required to make annual filings with the CFTC describing its organization, capital structure, management and controlling persons. In addition, the CEA authorizes the CFTC to require and review books and records of, and documents prepared by, registered CPOs. Pursuant to this authority, the CFTC requires CPOs to keep accurate, current and orderly records for each pool that they operate. The CFTC may suspend the registration of a CPO (1) if the CFTC finds that the operator s trading practices tend to disrupt orderly market conditions, (2) if any controlling person of the operator is subject to an order of the CFTC denying

such person trading privileges on any exchange, and (3) in certain other circumstances. Suspension, restriction or termination of the General Partner s registration as a CPO would prevent it, until that registration were to be reinstated, from managing USNG, and might result in the termination of USNG. USNG itself is not required to be registered with the CFTC in any capacity.

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The CEA gives the CFTC similar authority with respect to the activities of commodity trading advisors. If a trading advisor s commodity trading advisor registration were to be terminated, restricted or suspended, the trading advisor would be unable, until the registration were to be reinstated, to render trading advice to USNG.

The CEA requires all futures commission merchants, such as USNG s clearing brokers, to meet and maintain specified fitness and financial requirements, to segregate customer funds from proprietary funds and account separately for all customers funds and positions, and to maintain specified books and records open to inspection by the staff of the CFTC. The CFTC has similar authority over introducing brokers, or persons who solicit or accept orders for commodity interest trades but who do not accept margin deposits for the execution of trades. The CEA authorizes the CFTC to regulate trading by futures commission merchants and by their officers and directors, permits the CFTC to require action by exchanges in the event of market emergencies, and establishes an administrative procedure under which customers may institute complaints for damages arising from alleged violations of the CEA. The CEA also gives the states powers to enforce its provisions and the regulations of the CFTC.

USNG s investors are afforded prescribed rights for reparations under the CEA. Investors may also be able to maintain a private right of action for violations of the CEA. The CFTC has adopted rules implementing the reparation provisions of the CEA, which provide that any person may file a complaint for a reparations award with the CFTC for violation of the CEA against a floor broker or a futures commission merchant, introducing broker, commodity trading advisor, CPO, and their respective associated persons.

Pursuant to authority in the CEA, the NFA has been formed and registered with the CFTC as a registered futures association. At the present time, the NFA is the only self-regulatory organization for commodity interest professionals, other than futures exchanges. The CFTC has delegated to the NFA responsibility for the registration of commodity trading advisors, CPOs, futures commission merchants, introducing brokers, and their respective associated persons and floor brokers. The General Partner, each trading advisor, the selling agents and the clearing brokers are members of the NFA. As such, they are subject to NFA standards relating to fair trade practices, financial condition and consumer protection. USNG itself is not required to become a member of the NFA. As the self-regulatory body of the commodity interest industry, the NFA promulgates rules governing the conduct of professionals and disciplines those professionals that do not comply with these rules. The NFA also arbitrates disputes between members and their customers and conducts registration and fitness screening of applicants for membership and audits of its existing members.

The regulations of the CFTC and the NFA prohibit any representation by a person registered with the CFTC or by any member of the NFA, that registration with the CFTC, or membership in the NFA, in any respect indicates that the CFTC or the NFA, as the case may be, has approved or endorsed that person or that person s trading program or objectives. The registrations and memberships of the parties described in this summary must not be considered as constituting any such approval or endorsement. Likewise, no futures exchange has given or will give any similar approval or endorsement.

The regulation of commodity interest trading in the United States and other countries is an evolving area of the law. The various statements made in this summary are subject to modification by legislative action and changes in the rules and regulations of the CFTC, the NFA, the futures exchanges, clearing organizations and other regulatory bodies.

The function of the CFTC is to implement the objectives of the CEA of preventing price manipulation and other disruptions to market integrity, avoiding systemic risk, preventing fraud and promoting innovation, competition and financial integrity of transactions. As mentioned above, this regulation, among other things, provides that the trading of commodity interest contracts generally must be upon exchanges designated as contract markets or DTEFs and that all trading on those exchanges must be done by or through exchange members. Under the CFMA, commodity interest

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trading in some commodities between sophisticated persons may be traded on a trading facility not regulated by the CFTC. As a general matter, trading in spot contracts, forward contracts, options on forward contracts or commodities, or swap contracts between eligible contract participants is not within the jurisdiction of the CFTC and may therefore be effectively unregulated. The trading advisors may engage in those transactions on behalf of USNG in reliance on this exclusion from regulation.

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In general, the CFTC does not regulate the interbank and forward foreign currency markets with respect to transactions in contracts between certain sophisticated counterparties such as USNG or between certain regulated institutions and retail investors. Although U.S. banks are regulated in various ways by the Federal Reserve Board, the Comptroller of the Currency and other U.S. federal and state banking officials, banking authorities do not regulate the forward markets.

While the U.S. government does not currently impose any restrictions on the movements of currencies, it could choose to do so. The imposition or relaxation of exchange controls in various jurisdictions could significantly affect the market for that and other jurisdictions currencies. Trading in the interbank market also exposes USNG to a risk of default since failure of a bank with which USNG had entered into a forward contract would likely result in a default and thus possibly substantial losses to USNG.

The CFTC is prohibited by statute from regulating trading on non-U.S. futures exchanges and markets. The CFTC, however, has adopted regulations relating to the marketing of non-U.S. futures contracts in the United States. These regulations permit certain contracts traded on non-U.S. exchanges to be offered and sold in the United States.

Commodity Margin

Original or initial margin is the minimum amount of funds that must be deposited by a commodity interest trader with the trader s broker to initiate and maintain an open position in futures contracts. Maintenance margin is the amount (generally less than the original margin) to which a trader s account may decline before he must deliver additional margin. A margin deposit is like a cash performance bond. It helps assure the trader s performance of the futures contracts that he purchases or sells. Futures contracts are customarily bought and sold on initial margin that represents a very small percentage (ranging upward from less than 2%) of the aggregate purchase or sales price of the contract. Because of such low margin requirements, price fluctuations occurring in the futures markets may create profits and losses that, in relation to the amount invested, are greater than are customary in other forms of investment or speculation. As discussed below, adverse price changes in the futures contract may result in margin requirements that greatly exceed the initial margin. In addition, the amount of margin required in connection with a particular futures contract is set from time to time by the exchange on which the contract is traded and may be modified from time to time by the exchange during the term of the contract.

Brokerage firms, such as USNG s clearing brokers, carrying accounts for traders in commodity interest contracts may not accept lower, and generally require higher, amounts of margin as a matter of policy to further protect themselves. The clearing brokers require USNG to make margin deposits equal to exchange minimum levels for all commodity interest contracts. This requirement may be altered from time to time in the clearing brokers discretion.

Trading in the over-the-counter markets where no clearing facility is provided generally does not require margin but generally does require the extension of credit between counterparties.

When a trader purchases an option, there is no margin requirement; however, the option premium must be paid in full. When a trader sells an option, on the other hand, he or she is required to deposit margin in an amount determined by the margin requirements established for the underlying interest and, in addition, an amount substantially equal to the current premium for the option. The margin requirements imposed on the selling of options, although adjusted to reflect the probability that out-of-the-money options will not be exercised, can in fact be higher than those imposed in dealing in the futures markets directly. Complicated margin requirements apply to spreads and conversions, which are complex trading strategies in which a trader acquires a mixture of options positions and positions in the underlying interest.

Margin requirements are computed each day by a trader s clearing broker. When the market value of a particular open commodity interest position changes to a point where the margin on deposit does not satisfy maintenance margin requirements, a margin call is made by the broker. If the margin call is not met within a reasonable time, the broker may close out the trader s position. With respect to USNG s trading, USNG (and not its investors personally) is subject to margin calls.

Finally, many major U.S. exchanges have passed certain cross margining arrangements involving procedures pursuant to which the futures and options positions held in an account would, in the case of some accounts, be aggregated and margin requirements would be assessed on a portfolio basis, measuring the total risk of the combined positions.

Potential Advantages of Investment

The Advantages of Non-Correlation

Given that historically, the price of natural gas and of Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments has had very little correlation to the stock and bond markets, the General Partner believes that the performance of USNG should also exhibit a substantial degree of non-correlation with the performance of traditional equity and debt portfolio components, in part because of the ease of selling commodity interests short. This feature of many commodity interest contracts being able to be long or short a commodity interest position with similar ease means that profit and loss from commodity interest trading is not dependent upon economic prosperity or stability.

However, non-correlation will not provide any diversification advantages unless the non-correlated assets are outperforming other portfolio assets, and it is entirely possible that USNG may not outperform other sectors of an investor s portfolio, or may produce losses. Additionally, although adding USNG s units to an investor s portfolio may provide diversification, USNG is not a hedging mechanism vis-à-vis traditional debt and equity portfolio components and you should not assume that USNG units will appreciate during periods of inflation or stock and bond market declines.

Non-correlated performance should not be confused with negatively correlated performance. Negative correlation occurs when the performance of two asset classes are in opposite direction to each other. Non-correlation means only that USNG s performance will likely have little relation to the performance of equity and debt instruments, reflecting the General Partner s belief that certain factors that affect equity and debt prices may affect USNG differently and that certain factors that affect equity and debt prices may not affect USNG at all. USNG s net asset value per unit may decline or increase more or less than equity and debt instruments during both rising and falling cash markets. The General Partner does not expect that USNG s performance will be negatively correlated to general debt and equity markets.

Interest Income

Unlike some alternative investment funds, USNG does not borrow money in order to obtain leverage, so USNG does not incur any interest expense. Rather, USNG s margin deposits are maintained in Treasuries and interest is earned on 100% of USNG s available assets, which include unrealized profits credited to USNG s accounts.

CFTC ANNUAL REPORT

UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUNDS LLC General Partner of the United States Natural Gas Fund, LP

March 31, 2009

Dear United States Natural Gas Fund, LP Investor,

Enclosed with this letter is your copy of the 2008 financial statements for the United States Natural Gas Fund, LP (ticker symbol UNG). We have mailed this statement to all investors in UNG who held shares as of December 31, 2008 to satisfy our annual reporting requirement under federal commodities laws. In addition, we have enclosed a copy of the current United States Natural Gas Fund LP s Privacy Policy. Additional information concerning UNG s 2008 results may be found by referring to the Annual Report on Form 10-K (the Form 10-K), which has been filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). You may obtain a copy of the Form 10-K by going to the SEC s website at *www.sec.gov*, or by going to UNG s own website at *www.unitedstatesnaturalgasfund.com*. You may also call UNG at **1-800-920-0259** to speak to a representative and request additional material, including a current UNG Prospectus.

United States Commodity Funds LLC is the general partner of the United States Natural Gas Fund, LP. United States Commodity Funds LLC is also the general partner and manager of several other commodity based exchange traded security funds that are structured like UNG. These other funds are referred to in the attached financial statements and include:

United States Oil Fund, LP	(ticker symbol: USO)
United States 12 Month Oil Fund, LP	(ticker symbol: USL)
United States Gasoline Fund, LP	(ticker symbol: UGA)
United States Heating Oil Fund, LP	(ticker symbol: UHN)

Information about these other funds is contained within the Annual Report as well as in the current UNG Prospectus. Investors in UNG who wish to receive additional information about these other funds may do so by going to their respective websites.* The websites may be found at:

> www.unitedstatesoilfund.com www.unitedstates12monthoilfund.com www.unitedstatesgasolinefund.com www.unitedstatesheatingoilfund.com

You may also call United States Commodity Funds LLC at 1-800-920-0259 to request additional information.

Thank you for your continued interest in the United States Natural Gas Fund, LP.

Regards, /s/ Nicholas Gerber

Nicholas Gerber President and CEO United States Commodity Funds LLC

*This letter is not an offer to buy or sell securities. Investment in any of these other funds is only made by prospectus. Please consult the relevant prospectus for a description of the risks and expenses involved in any such investment. SAI-12

PRIVACY POLICY UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUNDS LLC

This privacy policy explains the policies of United States Commodity Funds LLC (the General Partner), a commodity pool operator registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission that serves as general partner to a number of commodity pools, including the United States Oil Fund, LP, United States 12 Month Oil Fund, LP, United States Natural Gas Fund, LP, United States Heating Oil Fund, LP, United States Gasoline Fund, LP, United States 12 Month Natural Gas Fund, LP and United States Short Oil Fund, LP (collectively, the Funds), relating to the collection, maintenance and use of nonpublic personal information about the Funds investors, as required under Federal legislation. This privacy policy applies to the nonpublic personal information of investors who are individuals and who obtain financial products or services primarily for personal, family or household purposes.

Collection of Investor Information

Units of the Funds are registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for the Depository Trust Company. However, the General Partner may collect or have access to personal information about Fund investors for certain purposes relating to the operation of the Funds, including for the distribution of certain required tax reports to investors. This information may include information received from investors and information about investors holdings and transactions in units of the Funds.

Disclosure of Nonpublic Personal Information

The General Partner does not sell or rent investor information. The General Partner does not disclose nonpublic personal information about Fund investors, except as required by law or as described below. Specifically, the General Partner may share nonpublic personal information in the following situations:

To service providers in connection with the administration and servicing of the Funds, which may include attorneys, accountants, auditors and other professionals. The General Partner may also share information in connection with the servicing or processing of Fund transactions.

To affiliated companies, i.e., any company that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the General Partner, to introduce Fund investors to other products and services that may be of value to them; To respond to subpoenas, court orders, judicial process or regulatory authorities;

To protect against fraud, unauthorized transactions (such as money laundering), claims or other liabilities; and Upon consent of an investor to release such information, including authorization to disclose such information to persons acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity on behalf of the investor.

Fund investors have no right to opt out of the General Partner s disclosure of non-public personal information under the circumstances described above.

Protection of Investor Information

The General Partner holds Fund investor information in the strictest confidence. Accordingly, the General Partner s policy is to require that all employees, financial professionals and companies providing services on its behalf keep client information confidential.

The General Partner maintains safeguards that comply with federal standards to protect investor information. The General Partner restricts access to the personal and account information of investors to those employees who need to know that information in the course of their job responsibilities. Third parties with whom the General Partner shares investor information must agree to follow appropriate standards of security and confidentiality, which includes safeguarding such information physically, electronically and procedurally.

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The General Partner s privacy policy applies to both current and former investors. The General Partner will only disclose nonpublic personal information about a former investor to the same extent as for a current investor.

Changes to Privacy Policy

The General Partner may make changes to its privacy policy in the future. The General Partner will not make any change affecting Fund investors without first sending investors a revised privacy policy describing the change. In any case, the General Partner will send Fund investors a current privacy policy at least once a year as long as they continue to be Fund investors.

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP A Delaware Limited Partnership

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended December 31, 2008, the period from April 18, 2007 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2007 and the period from September 11, 2006 (inception) to December 31, 2006

AFFIRMATION OF THE COMMODITY POOL OPERATOR

To the Unitholders of the United States Natural Gas Fund, LP

Pursuant to Rule 4.22(h) under the Commodity Exchange Act, the undersigned represents that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the information contained in this Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2008, the period from April 18, 2007 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2007 and the period from September 11, 2006 (inception) to December 31, 2006 is accurate and complete.

By:

/s/ Nicholas Gerber

Nicholas Gerber United States Natural Gas Fund, LP President & CEO of United States Commodity Funds LLC (General Partner of the United States Natural Gas Fund, LP) SPICER JEFFRIES LLP Certified Public Accountants

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Partners of United States Natural Gas Fund, LP

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial condition of United States Natural Gas Fund, LP, (the Fund) as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, including the schedule of investments as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related statements of operations, changes in partners capital and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2008, the period from April 18, 2007 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2007 and the period from September 11, 2006 (inception) to December 31, 2006. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. 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, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of United States Natural Gas Fund, LP as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2008 and the periods from April 18, 2007 (commencement of operations) through December 31, 2007 and September 11, 2006 (inception) to December 31, 2006 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We also have audited, in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Fund s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008, based on criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 18, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion on the Fund s internal control over financial reporting.

Greenwood Village, Colorado February 18, 2009

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION At December 31, 2008 and 2007

	2008	2007
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$419,929,831	\$488,067,199
Equity in UBS Securities LLC trading accounts:		
Cash	293,619,554	85,115,889
Unrealized gain (loss) on open commodity futures contracts	(7,704,870)	20,043,880
Interest receivable	355,156	690,046
Other assets	137,786	92,955
Total assets	\$706,337,457	\$ 594,009,969
LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS CAPITAL		
General Partner management fees (Note 3)	\$370,060	\$264,556
Payable for units redeemed	9,307,208	
Tax reporting fees payable	680,773	239,954
License fees payable	61,226	51,560
Directors fees payable	27,880	36,118
Other Liabilities	175,800	22,800
Total liabilities	10,622,947	614,988
Commitments and Contingencies (Notes 3, 4 and 5)		
Partners Capital		
General Partner		
Limited Partners	695,714,510	593,394,981
Total Partners Capital	695,714,510	593,394,981
Total liabilities and partners capital	\$706,337,457	\$ 594,009,969
Limited Partners units outstanding	29,900,000	16,400,000
Net asset value per unit	\$23.27	\$ 36.18
Market value per unit	\$23.17	\$ 36.24

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS At December 31, 2008

Open Futures Contracts

	Number of Contracts	Loss on Open Commodity Contracts	% of Partner Capital	rs
United States Contracts Natural Gas Futuras contracts, avaira February 2000	12,375	\$(7,704,870)	(1.11)
Natural Gas Futures contracts, expire February 2009	12,373	\$(7,704,870)	(1.11)
	Cost	Market Value	:	
Cash Equivalents				
United States Money Market Fund				
Goldman Sachs Financial Square Funds Governmen Fund	^{it} \$298,603,37	3 \$298,603,373	42.92	
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Cash		121,326,458	17.44	
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents		419,929,831	60.36	
Cash on deposit with broker		293,619,554	42.20	
Liabilities, less receivables and other assets		(10,130,005) (1.45)
Total Partners Capital		\$695,714,510	100.00	

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS At December 31, 2007

Open Futures Contracts

	Number of Contracts	Gain on Open Commodity Contracts	% of Partners Capital
United States Contracts			
Natural Gas Futures contracts, expire February 2008	7,924	\$ 20,043,880	3.38

		Cost	Market Value	
Cash Equivalents				
United States Money Market Funds				
Goldman Sachs Financial Square Funds Fund	Government	\$25,791,412	\$25,791,412	4.34
Goldman Sachs Financial Square Funds	Treasury	150,704,628	150,704,628	25.40
Instruments Fund		130,704,028	130,704,028	23.40
		\$176,496,040	176,496,040	29.74
Cash			311,571,159	52.51
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents			488,067,199	82.25
Cash on deposit with broker			85,115,889	14.34
Other assets and receivables in excess of lia	abilities		168,013	0.03
Total Partners Capital			\$593,394,981	100.00

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS For the Year Ended December 31, 2008 and the Periods from April 18, 2007 (Commencement of Operations) to December 31, 2007 and September 11, 2006 (Inception) to December 31, 2006

Period from

	Year Ended December 31, 2008	Period from April 18, 2007 to December 31, 2007	September 11, 2006 to December 31, 2006
Income			
Gains (losses) on trading of commodity futures			
contracts:			
Realized losses on closed positions		\$(39,939,850)	\$
Change in unrealized gains (losses) on open positions	(27,748,750)		
Interest income	12,225,534	8,242,264	
Other income	202,000	107,000	
Total loss	(485,175,826)	(11,546,706)	
Expenses			
General Partner management fees (Note 3)	4,373,723	1,239,862	
Professional fees	1,072,269	272,472	
Brokerage commission fees	867,175	351,310	
Registration fees	348,874	41,980	
License fees	236,664	81,317	
Directors fees	130,107	58,380	
Total expenses	7,028,812	2,045,321	
Net loss	\$(492,204,638)	\$(13,592,027)	\$
Net loss per limited partnership unit	\$(12.91)	\$(13.82)	\$
Net loss per weighted average limited partnership unit	\$(25.50)	\$(1.78)	\$
Weighted average limited partnership units outstanding		7,644,574	

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN PARTNERS CAPITAL For the Year Ended December 31, 2008 and the Periods from April 18, 2007 (Commencement of Operations) to December 31, 2007 and September 11, 2006 (Inception) to December 31, 2006

	General Partner		Limited Partners	Total
Balances, at Inception	\$		\$	\$
Initial contribution of capital	20		980	1,000
Balances, at December 31, 2006	20		980	1,000
Addition of 37,900,000 partnership units			1,458,786,977	1,458,786,977
Redemption of 21,500,000 partnership units	(20)	(851,800,949)	(851,800,969)
Net loss			(13,592,027)	(13,592,027)
Balances, at December 31, 2007			593,394,981	593,394,981
Addition of 69,800,000 partnership units			2,691,884,826	2,691,884,826
Redemption of 56,300,000 partnership units			(2,097,360,659)	(2,097,360,659)
Net loss			(492,204,638)	(492,204,638)
Balances, at December 31, 2008	\$		\$695,714,510	\$695,714,510
Net Asset Value Per Unit				
At December 31, 2006	\$			
At April 18, 2007 (commencement of operations)	\$ 50.00			
At December 31, 2007	\$ 36.18			
At December 31, 2008	\$ 23.27			

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS For the Year Ended December 31, 2008 and the Periods from April 18, 2007 (Commencement of Operations) to December 31, 2007 and September 11, 2006 (Inception) to December 31, 2006

Period from

	Year Ended December 31, 2008	Period from April 18, 2007 to December 31, 2007	September 11, 2006 to December 31, 2006
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	<i>(</i> ())	¢ (12 502 025)	ф.
Net loss	\$(492,204,638)	\$(13,592,027)	\$
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:			
Increase in commodity futures trading account cas	h (208,503,665)	(85,115,889)	
Unrealized (gains) losses on futures contracts	27,748,750	(20,043,880)	
Decrease (increase) in interest receivable and other assets	290,059	(783,001)	
Increase in General Partner management fees payable	105,504	264,556	
Increase in tax reporting fees payable	440,819	239,954	
Increase in license fees payable	9,666	51,560	
Increase (decrease) in directors fees payable	(8,238)	36,118	
Increase in other liabilities	153,000	22,800	
Net cash used in operating activities	(671,968,743)	(118,919,809)	
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:			
Subscription of partnership units	2,691,884,826	1,458,786,977	1,000
Redemption of partnership units	(2,088,053,451)	(851,800,969)	
Net cash provided by financing activities	603,831,375	606,986,008	1,000
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(68,137,368)	488,066,199	1,000
Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of period Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of period	488,067,199 \$419,929,831	1,000 \$488,067,199	\$ 1,000
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended December 31, 2008 and the Periods Ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

Note 1 Organization and Business

The United States Natural Gas Fund, LP (USNG) was organized as a limited partnership under the laws of the state of Delaware on September 11, 2006. USNG is a commodity pool that issues units that may be purchased and sold on the NYSE Arca, Inc. (the NYSE Arca). Prior to November 25, 2008, USNG s units traded on the American Stock Exchange (the AMEX). USNG will continue in perpetuity, unless terminated sooner upon the occurrence of one or more events as described in its Second Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership dated as of December 4, 2007 (the LP Agreement). The investment objective of USNG is for the changes in percentage terms of its net asset value to reflect the changes in percentage terms of the price of natural gas delivered at the Henry Hub, Louisiana as measured by the changes in the price of the futures contract on natural gas as traded on the New York Mercantile Exchange (the NYMEX) that is the near month contract to expire, except when the near month contract is within two weeks of expiration, in which case the futures contract will be the next month contract to expire, less USNG s expenses. USNG accomplishes its objective through investments in futures contracts for natural gas, crude oil, heating oil, gasoline, natural gas and other petroleum-based fuels that are traded on the NYMEX, ICE Futures or other U.S. and foreign exchanges (collectively, Futures Contracts) and other natural gas related investments such as cash-settled options on Futures Contracts, forward contracts for natural gas and over-the-counter transactions that are based on the price of natural gas, crude oil and other petroleum-based fuels, Futures Contracts and indices based on the foregoing (collectively, Other Natural Gas-Related Investments). As of December 31, 2008, USNG held 12,375 Futures Contracts traded on the NYMEX.

USNG commenced investment operations on April 18, 2007 and has a fiscal year ending on December 31. United States Commodity Funds LLC (formerly known as Victoria Bay Asset Management, LLC) (the General Partner) is responsible for the management of USNG. The General Partner is a member of the National Futures Association (the NFA) and became a commodity pool operator with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission effective December 1, 2005. The General Partner is also the general partner of the United States Oil Fund, LP (USOF), the United States 12 Month Oil Fund, LP (US12OF), the United States Gasoline Fund, LP (UGA) and the United States Heating Oil Fund, LP (USHO), which listed their limited partnership units on the AMEX under the ticker symbols USO on April 10, 2006, USL on December 6, 2007, UGA on February 26, 2008 and UHN on April 9, 2008, respectively. As a resul of the acquisition of the AMEX by NYSE Euronext, each of USOF s, US12OF s, UGA s and USHO s units commenced trading on the NYSE Arca on November 25, 2008.

USNG issues limited partnership interests (units) to certain authorized purchasers (Authorized Purchasers) by offering baskets consisting of 100,000 units (Creation Baskets) through ALPS Distributors, Inc. (the Marketing Agent). The purchase price for a Creation Basket is based upon the net asset value of a unit determined as of the earlier of the close of the New York Stock Exchange (the NYSE) or 4:00 p.m. New York time on the day the order to create the basket is properly received.

In addition, Authorized Purchasers pay USNG a \$1,000 fee for each order to create one or more Creation Baskets. Units may be purchased or sold on a nationally recognized securities exchange in smaller increments than a Creation Basket. Units purchased or sold on a nationally recognized securities exchange are not purchased or sold at the net asset value of USNG but rather at market prices quoted on such exchange.

In April 2007, USNG initially registered 30,000,000 units on Form S-1 with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). On April 18, 2007, USNG listed its units on the AMEX under the ticker symbol UNG . On that day, USNG established its initial net asset value by setting the price at \$50.00 per unit and issued 200,000 units in exchange for \$10,001,000. USNG also commenced investment operations on April 18, 2007 by purchasing Futures Contracts traded on the NYMEX based on natural gas. As a result of the acquisition of the AMEX by NYSE Euronext, USNG s units commenced trading on the NYSE Arca on November 25, 2008. As of December 31, 2008, USNG had registered a total of 180,000,000 units.

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended December 31, 2008 and the Periods Ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Revenue Recognition

Commodity futures contracts, forward contracts, physical commodities, and related options are recorded on the trade date. All such transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis and marked to market daily. Unrealized gains or losses on open contracts are reflected in the statement of financial condition and in the difference between the original contract amount and the market value (as determined by exchange settlement prices for futures contracts and related options and cash dealer prices at a predetermined time for forward contracts, physical commodities, and their related options) as of the last business day of the year or as of the last date of the financial statements. Changes in the unrealized gains or losses between periods are reflected in the statement of operations. USNG earns interest on its assets denominated in U.S. dollars on deposit with the futures commission merchant at the overnight Federal Funds Rate less 32 basis points. In addition, USNG earns interest on funds held at the custodian at prevailing market rates earned on such investments.

Brokerage Commissions

Brokerage commissions on all open commodity futures contracts are accrued on a full-turn basis.

Income Taxes

USNG is not subject to federal income taxes; each partner reports his/her allocable share of income, gain, loss deductions or credits on his/her own income tax return.

Additions and Redemptions

Authorized Purchasers may purchase Creation Baskets or redeem units (Redemption Baskets) only in blocks of 100,000 units equal to the net asset value of the units determined as of the earlier of the close of the NYSE or 4:00 p.m. New York time on the day the order is placed.

USNG records units sold or redeemed one business day after the trade date of the purchase or redemption. The amounts due from Authorized Purchasers are reflected in USNG s statement of financial condition as receivable for units sold, and amounts payable to Authorized Purchasers upon redemption are reflected as payable for units redeemed.

Partnership Capital and Allocation of Partnership Income and Losses

Profit or loss shall be allocated among the partners of USNG in proportion to the number of units each partner holds as of the close of each month. The General Partner may revise, alter or otherwise modify this method of allocation as described in the LP Agreement.

Calculation of Net Asset Value

USNG calculates its net asset value on each trading day by taking the current market value of its total assets, subtracting any liabilities and dividing the amount by the total number of units issued and outstanding. USNG uses the closing price for the contracts on the relevant exchange on that day to determine the value of contracts held on such exchange.

Net Income (Loss) per Unit

Net income (loss) per unit is the difference between the net asset value per unit at the beginning of each period and at the end of each period. The weighted average number of units outstanding was computed for purposes of disclosing net income (loss) per weighted average unit. The weighted average units are equal to the number of units outstanding at the end of the period, adjusted proportionately for units redeemed based on the amount of time the units were outstanding during such period. There were no units held by the General Partner at December 31, 2008.

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended December 31, 2008 and the Periods Ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Offering Costs

Offering costs incurred in connection with the registration of additional units after the initial registration of units are borne by USNG. These costs include registration fees paid to regulatory agencies and all legal, accounting, printing and other expenses associated therewith. These costs will be accounted for as a deferred charge and thereafter amortized to expense over twelve months on a straight-line basis or a shorter period if warranted.

Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include money market funds and overnight deposits or time deposits with original maturity dates of three months or less.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires USNG s management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of the revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates and assumptions.

Note 3 Fees Paid by the Fund and Related Party Transactions

General Partner Management Fee

Under the LP Agreement, the General Partner is responsible for investing the assets of USNG in accordance with the objectives and policies of USNG. In addition, the General Partner has arranged for one or more third parties to provide administrative, custody, accounting, transfer agency and other necessary services to USNG. For these services, USNG is contractually obligated to pay the General Partner a fee, which is paid monthly and based on average daily net assets, that is equal to 0.60% per annum on average daily net assets of \$1,000,000,000 or less and 0.50% per annum on average daily net assets that are greater than \$1,000,000,000.

Ongoing Registration Fees and Other Offering Expenses

USNG pays all costs and expenses associated with the ongoing registration of units subsequent to the initial offering. These costs include registration or other fees paid to regulatory agencies in connection with the offer and sale of units, and all legal, accounting, printing and other expenses associated with such offer and sale. For the year ended December 31, 2008 and the period ended December 31, 2007, USNG incurred \$348,874 and \$41,980, respectively, in registration fees and other offering expenses.

Directors Fees

USNG is responsible for paying the fees and expenses, including directors and officers liability insurance, of the independent directors of the General Partner who are also audit committee members. During 2008, USNG shared these fees with USOF, US12OF, UGA and USHO based on the relative assets of each fund, computed on a daily basis. These fees for calendar year 2008 amounted to a total of \$282,000 for all five funds, and USNG s portion of such fees was \$130,371. For the periods from April 18, 2007 (inception) through December 31, 2007, these fees were \$286,000 and USNG s portion of such fees was \$59,420.

Licensing Fees

As discussed in Note 4, USNG entered into a licensing agreement with the NYMEX on May 30, 2007. The agreement has an effective date of April 10, 2006. Pursuant to the agreement, USNG and the affiliated funds managed by the General Partner pay a licensing fee that is equal to 0.04% for the first \$1,000,000,000

UNITED STATES NATURAL GAS FUND, LP

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Note 3 Fees Paid by the Fund and Related Party Transactions (continued)

of combined assets of the funds and 0.02% for combined assets above \$1,000,000,000. During the year ended December 31, 2008 and the period from April 18, 2007 through December 31, 2007, USNG incurred \$236,664 and \$81,317, respectively, under this arrangement.

Investor Tax Reporting Cost

The fees and expenses associated with USNG s audit expenses and tax accounting and reporting requirements, with the exception of certain initial implementation service fees and base service fees which were borne by the General Partner, are paid by USNG. These costs are estimated to be \$1,150,000 for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Other Expenses and Fees

In addition to the fees described above, USNG pays all brokerage fees, taxes and other expenses in connection with the operation of USNG, excluding costs and expenses paid by the General Partner as outlined in Note 4.

Note 4 Contracts and Agreements

USNG is party to a marketing agent agreement, dated as of April 17, 2007, with the Marketing Agent, whereby the Marketing Agent provides certain marketing services for USNG as outlined in the agreement. The fee of the Marketing Agent, which is borne by the General Partner, is equal to 0.06% on USNG s assets up to \$3 billion; and 0.04% on USNG s assets in excess of \$3 billion.

The above fees do not include the following expenses, which are also borne by the General Partner: the cost of placing advertisements in various periodicals; web construction and development; or the printing and production of various marketing materials.

USNG is also party to a custodian agreement, dated March 13, 2006, with Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. (BBH&Co.), whereby BBH&Co. holds investments on behalf of USNG. The General Partner pays the fees of the custodian, which are determined by the parties from time to time. In addition, USNG is party to an administrative agency agreement, dated March 13, 2006, with the General Partner and BBH&Co., whereby BBH&Co. acts as the administrative agent, transfer agent and registrar for USNG. The General Partner also pays the fees of BBH&Co. for its services under this agreement and such fees are determined by the parties from time to time.

Currently, the General Partner pays BBH&Co. for its services, in the foregoing capacities, the greater of a minimum amount of \$75,000 annually for its custody, fund accounting and fund administration services rendered to all funds, as well as a \$20,000 annual fee for its transfer agency services. In addition, an asset-based charge of (a) 0.06% for the first \$500 million of USNG s, USOF s, US12OF s, UGA s and USHO s combined net assets, (b) 0.0465% for USNG s, USOF s, US12OF s, UGA s and USHO s combined net assets greater than \$500 million but less than \$1 billion, and (c) 0.035% once USNG s, USOF s, US12OF s, UGA s and USHO s combined net assets exceed \$1 billion. The annual minimum amount will not apply if the asset-based charge for all accounts in the aggregate exceeds \$75,000. The General Partner also pays transaction fees ranging from \$7.00 to \$15.00 per transaction.

USNG has entered into a brokerage agreement with UBS Securities LLC (UBS Securities). The agreement requires UBS Securities to provide services to USNG in connection with the purchase and sale of Futures Contracts and Other Natural Gas-Related Investments that may be purchased and sold by or through UBS Securities for USNG s account. The agreement provides that UBS Securities charge USNG commissions of approximately \$7 per round-turn trade, plus applicable exchange and NFA fees for Futures Contracts and options on Futures Contracts.

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Note 4 Contracts and Agreements (continued)

USNG invests primarily in Futures Contracts traded on the NYMEX. On May 30, 2007, USNG and the NYMEX entered into a license agreement whereby USNG was granted a non-exclusive license to use certain of the NYMEX s settlement prices and service marks. The agreement has an effective date of April 10, 2006. Under the license agreement, USNG and the affiliated funds managed by the General Partner pay the NYMEX an asset-based fee for the license, the terms of which are described in Note 3.

USNG expressly disclaims any association with the NYMEX or endorsement of USNG by the NYMEX and acknowledges that NYMEX and New York Mercantile Exchange are registered trademarks of the NYMEX.

Note 5 Financial Instruments, Off-balance Sheet Risks and Contingencies

USNG engages in the speculative trading of futures contracts and options on futures contracts (collectively, derivatives). USNG is exposed to both market risk, which is the risk arising from changes in the market value of the contracts, and credit risk, which is the risk of failure by another party to perform according to the terms of a contract.

All of the contracts currently traded by USNG are exchange-traded. The risks associated with exchange-traded contracts are generally perceived to be less than those associated with over-the-counter transactions since, in over-the-counter transactions, USNG must rely solely on the credit of its respective individual counterparties. However, in the future, if USNG were to enter into non-exchange traded contracts, it would be subject to the credit risk associated with counterparty non-performance. The credit risk from counterparty non-performance associated with such instruments is the net unrealized gain, if any. USNG also has credit risk since the sole counterparty to all domestic and foreign futures contracts is the exchange on which the relevant contracts are traded. In addition, USNG bears the risk of financial failure by the clearing broker.

The purchase and sale of futures and options on futures contracts require margin deposits with a futures commission merchant. Additional deposits may be necessary for any loss on contract value. The Commodity Exchange Act requires a futures commission merchant to segregate all customer transactions and assets from the futures commission merchant s proprietary activities.

USNG s cash and other property, such as U.S. Treasuries, deposited with a futures commission merchant are considered commingled with all other customer funds subject to the futures commission merchant s segregation requirements. In the event of a futures commission merchant s insolvency, recovery may be limited to a pro rata share of segregated funds available. It is possible that the recovered amount could be less than the total of cash and other

property deposited. The insolvency of a futures commission merchant could result in the complete loss of USNG s assets posted with that futures commission merchant; however, the vast majority of USNG s assets are held in Treasuries, cash and/or cash equivalents with USNG s custodian and would not be impacted by the insolvency of a futures commission merchant. Also, the failure or insolvency of USNG s custodian could result in a substantial loss of USNG s assets.

USNG invests its cash in money market funds that seek to maintain a stable net asset value. USNG is exposed to any risk of loss associated with an investment in these money market funds. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, USNG had deposits in domestic and foreign financial institutions, including cash investments in money market funds, in the amounts of \$713,549,385 and \$573,183,088, respectively. This amount is subject to loss should these institutions cease operations.

For derivatives, risks arise from changes in the market value of the contracts. Theoretically, USNG is exposed to a market risk equal to the value of futures contracts purchased and unlimited liability on such contracts sold short. As both a buyer and a seller of options, USNG pays or receives a premium at the outset and then bears the risk of unfavorable changes in the price of the contract underlying the option.

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Note 5 Financial Instruments, Off-balance Sheet Risks and Contingencies (continued)

USNG s policy is to continuously monitor its exposure to market and counterparty risk through the use of a variety of financial, position and credit exposure reporting controls and procedures. In addition, USNG has a policy of requiring review of the credit standing of each broker or counterparty with which it conducts business.

The financial instruments held by USNG are reported in its statement of financial condition at market or fair value, or at carrying amounts that approximate fair value, because of their highly liquid nature and short-term maturity.

Note 6 Financial Highlights

The following table presents per unit performance data and other supplemental financial data for the year ended December 31, 2008 the period from April 18, 2007 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2007 and September 11, 2006 (inception) to December 31, 2006. This information has been derived from information presented in the financial statements.

	Year Ended December 31, 2008	For the Period from April 18, 2007 to December 2007		For the Period Septer 11, 2006 t Decen 31, 2006	l from nber o
Per Unit Operating Performance:	¢ 2 < 10	¢ 50.00		¢	
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$36.18	\$ 50.00		\$	
Total loss	(12.55)	(13.55)		
Total expenses	(0.36)	(0.27)		
Net decrease in net asset value	(12.91)	(13.82)		
Net asset value, end of period	\$23.27	\$36.18		\$	
Total Return	(35.68)%	(27.64)%	%	
Ratios to Average Net Assets					
Total loss	(66.25)%	(5.59)%		%
Expenses excluding management fees	0.36 %	0.39%*			%

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Management fees	0.60 %	0.60%*	%
Net loss	(67.21)%	(6.58)%*	%

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Annualized

Total returns are calculated based on the change in value during the period. An individual limited partner s total return and ratio may vary from the above total returns and ratios based on the timing of contributions to and withdrawals from USNG.

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Note 7 Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

The following summarized (unaudited) quarterly financial information presents the results of operations and other data for three-month periods ended March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31, 2008 and 2007.

	First Quarter 2008	Second Quarter 2008	Third Quarter 2008	Fourth Quarter 2008
Total Income (Loss)	\$156,689,207	\$176,316,721	\$(531,720,749)	\$(286,461,005)
Total Expenses	1,365,216	1,495,927	2,059,176	2,108,493
Net Income (Loss)	\$155,323,991	\$174,820,794	\$(533,779,925)	\$(288,569,498)
Net Income (Loss) per Unit	\$12.61	\$13.87	\$(29.59)	\$(9.80)
	First Quarter 2007	2007	er Third Quarter 2007	Fourth Quarter 2007
Total Income (Loss)	\$	\$ (7,658,968)		\$ (12,543,664)
Total Expenses		79,457	621,505	1,344,359
Net Income (Loss)	\$	\$ (7,738,425)	\$ 8,034,421	\$ (13,888,023)
Net Income (Loss) per Unit	\$	\$ (6.51)	\$ 5.28	\$ (2.03)
Note 8 Fa	air Value of	Financia	I Instrume	ents

Effective January 1, 2008, USNG adopted FAS 157 Fair Value Measurements (FAS 157 or the Statement). FAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), and expands disclosures about fair value measurement. The changes to current practice resulting from the application of the Statement relate to the definition of fair value, the methods used to measure fair value, and the expanded disclosures about fair value measurement. The Statement establishes a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between (1) market participant assumptions developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of USNG (observable inputs) and (2) USNG s own assumptions about market participant assumptions developed based on the best information available under the circumstances (unobservable inputs). The three levels defined by the FAS 157 hierarchy are as follows:

Level I Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for *identical* assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level II Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level I that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level II assets include the following: quoted prices for *similar* assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means (market-corroborated inputs).

Level III Unobservable pricing input at the measurement date for the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs shall be used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available.

In some instances, the inputs used to measure fair value might fall in different levels of the fair value hierarchy. The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls shall be determined based on the lowest input level that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

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Note 8 Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

The following table summarizes the valuation of USNG s securities at December 31, 2008 using the fair value hierarchy:

Note 9 Rece	ntly Issued	Accountin	ng Pro	nouncements
Derivative assets	(7,704,870)	(7,704,870)		
Investments	\$298,603,373	\$298,603,373	\$	\$
At December 31, 2008	Total	Level I	Level II	Level III

In March 2008, Statement of Financial Standards No. 161, Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (SFAS 161), was issued and became effective for fiscal years that began after November 15, 2008. SFAS 161 requires enhanced disclosures to provide information about the reasons USNG invests in derivative instruments, the accounting treatment of derivative instruments and the effect derivatives have on USNG s financial performance.

The General Partner is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of SFAS 161 will have on USNG s financial statement disclosures.

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PART II

Information Not Required in the Prospectus

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

Set forth below is an estimate (except as indicated) of the amount of fees and expenses (other than underwriting commissions and discounts) payable by the registrant in connection with the issuance and distribution of the units pursuant to the prospectus contained in this registration statement.

	Amount
SEC registration fee (actual)	\$ 765,576
NASD filing fees (actual)	\$ 75,500
Blue Sky expenses	N/A
Auditor s fees and expenses (estimate)	\$ 25,000
Legal fees and expenses (estimate)	\$ 20,000
Printing expenses (estimate)	\$ 5,000
Total	\$ 891,076

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Neither the General Partner nor any employee or other agent of United States Natural Gas Fund, LP (USNG) nor any officer, director, stockholder, partner, employee or agent of the General Partner (a Protected Person) shall be liable to any partner or USNG for any mistake of judgment or for any action or inaction taken, nor for any losses due to any mistake of judgment or to any action or inaction or to the negligence, dishonesty or bad faith of any officer, employee, broker or other agent of USNG or any officer, director, stockholder, partner, employee or agent of such General Partner, provided that such officer, director, stockholder, employee, broker or agent of the partner or officer, employee, partner or agent of such General Partner was selected, engaged or retained by such General Partner with reasonable care, except with respect to any matter as to which such General Partner shall have been finally adjudicated in any action, suit or other proceeding not to have acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that such Protected Person s actions was in the best interests of USNG and except that no Protected person shall be relieved of any liability to which such Protected Person would otherwise be subject by reason of willful misfeasance, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of the Protected Person s office. A General Partner and its officers, directors, employees or partners may consult with counsel and accountants (except for USNG s independent auditors) in respect of USNG affairs and be fully protected and justified in any action or inaction which is taken in accordance with the advice or opinion of such counsel or accountants (except for the Partnership s independent auditors), provided that they shall have been selected with reasonable care.

Notwithstanding any of the foregoing to the contrary, these indemnification provisions as set forth in the LP Agreement shall not be construed so as to relieve (or attempt to relieve) a General Partner (or any employee or other agent thereof or any partner, employee or agent of such General Partner) of any liability to the extent (but only to the extent) that such liability may not be waived, modified or limited under applicable law, but shall be construed so as to effectuate these indemnification provisions as set forth in the LP Agreement to the fullest extent permitted by law.

USNG shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, but only out of USNG assets, indemnify and hold harmless the General Partner and each officer, director, stockholder, partner employee or agent thereof (including persons who serve at USNG s request as directors, officers or trustees of another organization in which USNG has an interest as a unitholder, creditor or otherwise) and their respective legal representatives and successors (hereinafter referred to as a

Covered Person against all liabilities and expenses, including but not limited to amounts paid in satisfaction of judgments, in compromise or as fines and penalties, and counsel fees reasonably incurred by any Covered Person in connection with the defense or disposition of any action, suit or other proceedings, whether civil or criminal, before any court or administrative or legislative body, in which such Covered Person may be or may have been involved as a party or otherwise or with which such person may be or may have been threatened, while in office or thereafter, by reason of an alleged act or omission as a General Partner or officer thereof or by reason of its being or having been such a General Partner, director

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or officer, except with respect to any matter as to which such Covered Person shall have been finally adjudicated in any such action, suit or other proceeding not to have acted in good faith in the reasonable believe that such Covered Person s action was in the best interest of the Fund, and except that no Covered Person shall be indemnified against any liability to USNG or limited partners to which such Covered Person would otherwise be subject by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of such Covered Person s office. Expenses, including counsel fees so incurred by any such Covered Person, may be paid from time to time by USNG in advance of the final disposition of any such action, suit or proceeding on the condition that the amounts so paid shall be repaid to USNG if it is ultimately determined that the indemnification of such expenses is not authorized hereunder.

As to any matter disposed of by a compromise payment by any such Covered Person, pursuant to a consent decree or otherwise, no such indemnification either for said payment or for any other expenses shall be provided unless such compromise shall be approved as in the best interests of USNG, after notice that it involved such indemnification by any disinterested person or persons to whom the questions may be referred by the General Partner, provided that there has been obtained an opinion in writing of independent legal counsel to the effect that such Covered Person appears to have acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that his or her action was in the best interests of USNG and that such indemnification would not protect such persons against any liability to USNG or its limited partners to which such person would otherwise by subject by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of office. Approval by any disinterested person or persons shall not prevent the recovery from persons as indemnification if such Covered Person is subsequently adjudicated by a court of competent jurisdiction not to have acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that such Covered Person s action was in the best interests of USNG or to have been liable to USNG or its Limited Partners by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the code of field to use the reasonable belief that such Covered Person s action was in the best interests of USNG or to have been liable to USNG or its Limited Partners by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of such Covered Person s office.

The right of indemnification hereby provided shall not be exclusive of or affect any other rights to which any such Covered Person may be entitled. An interested Covered Person is one against whom the action, suit or other proceeding on the same or similar grounds is then or has been pending and a disinterested person is a person against whom none of such actions, suits or other proceedings or another action, suit or other proceeding on the same or similar grounds is then or has been pending. Nothing contained in this provision shall affect any rights to indemnification to which personnel of a General Partner, other than directors and officers, and other persons may be entitled by contract or otherwise under law, nor the power of USNG to purchase and maintain liability insurance on behalf of any such person.

Nothing in this provision shall be construed to subject any Covered Person to any liability to which he is not already liable under this Agreement or applicable law.

Each limited partner agrees that it will not hold any Affiliate or any officer, director, stockholder, partner, employee or agent of any Affiliate of the General Partner liable for any actions of such General Partner or any obligations arising under or in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

Item 16. Exhibits

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23.2*	Consent of Spicer Jeffries LLP.

Filed herewith.

**Incorporated by reference to Registrant s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-137871) filed on October 6, 2006.

- *** Incorporated by reference to Registrant s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-137871) filed on December 22, 2006.
- **** Incorporated by reference to Registrant s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-137871) filed on March 9, 2007.

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Item 17. Undertakings

(a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) (To include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective registration statement.

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement.

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Provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-3, Form S-8 or Form F-3, and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser:

(i) If the registrant is subject to Rule 430C (§230.430C of this chapter), each prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) as part of a registration statement relating to an offering, other than registration statements relying on Rule 430B or other than prospectuses filed in reliance on Rule 430A (§230.430A of this chapter), shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the date it is first used after effectiveness. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such first use, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use.

(5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities: The undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

(i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424 (§230.424 of this chapter);

(ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;

(iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and

(iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

(b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant s annual report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 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 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)

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or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities 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 Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

(d) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To send to each limited partner at least on an annual basis a detailed statement of any transactions with the General Partner or its affiliates, and of fees, commissions, compensation and other benefits paid, or accrued to the General Partner or its affiliates for the fiscal year completed, showing the amount paid or accrued to each recipient and the services performed.

(2) To provide to the limited partners the financial statements required by Form 10-K for the first full fiscal year of operations of the partnership.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Moraga, State of California, on June 4, 2009.

United States Natural Gas Fund, LP

 By:
 United States Commodity Funds LLC (its General Partner)

 /s/ Nicholas D. Gerber

 By:

 Nicholas D. Gerber

Chief Executive Officer of United States Commodity Funds LLC

POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned directors and officers of the General Partner of United States Natural Gas Fund, LP hereby constitute and appoint Nicholas D. Gerber and Howard Mah and each of them with full power to act without the other and with full power of substitution and resubstitution, our true and lawful attorneys-in-fact with full power to execute in our name and behalf in the capacities indicated below this Registration Statement on Form S-3 and any and all amendments thereto, including post-effective amendments to this Registration Statement and to sign any and all additional registration statements relating to the same offering of securities as this Registration Statement that are filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) of the Securities Act of 1933, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission and thereby ratify and confirm that all such attorneys-in-fact, or any of them, or their substitutes shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated. The document may be executed by signatories hereto on any number of counterparts, all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Nicholas D. Gerber Nicholas D. Gerber	Management Director	June 4, 2009
/s/ Howard Mah Howard Mah	Management Director	June 4, 2009
/s/ Andrew Ngim Andrew Ngim	Management Director	June 4, 2009
/s/ Robert Nguyen Robert Nguyen	Management Director	June 4, 2009
/s/ Peter M. Robinson Peter M. Robinson	Independent Director	June 4, 2009
/s/ Malcolm R. Fobes III Malcolm R. Fobes III	Independent Director	June 4, 2009
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