



AlphaNorth
Asset Management

FUND COMMENTARY

AlphaNorth Resource Fund

August 2013

NAV
Series A (ANF020) \$9.064
Series B (ANF040) \$9.058
Series F (ANF021) \$9.092

Fund Review The Fund performance was 15.1% in August. This compares very favourably to the TSX Venture index return of 2.4% and the TSX Small Cap index return of 1.9%. The gains in the TSX small caps were largely led by materials, industrials, and energy, while the other sectors lagged. Commodity prices rallied in August, with natural gas up 9.4% on the month, oil up 5.6%, gold up 6.2%, and silver up 21.3%. The performance of commodities facilitated the risk on trade in August as the small cap space outperformed in Canada.

Our uranium company investments have contributed positively to returns in August. Recent developments in the Athabasca Basin have led to elevated interest in the area, and the small cap names that we own in the space have benefitted greatly from this. Several of the names in the Fund have been subjected to increased market attention over the past number of weeks and we believe that these investments could be top performers in the space over the next few months. There are several near term major catalysts from a number of our portfolio holdings which have recently initiated drill campaigns.

The current sector mix of the portfolio is comprised of 43% in base metals, 4% in coal, 27% in uranium, 5% in iron ore, 9% in precious metals, 9% in agriculture, and 3% in energy.

Outlook Investor risk tolerance is beginning to return to the higher beta areas of the equity markets. The strong performance of virtually every investment product with a yield has rewarded investors in recent years. However, outperformance of specific investment products and sectors does not last indefinitely. These yield based investments are no different and are beginning to face the headwind of rising interest rates. It is notable that both non-dividend paying and growth names outperformed dividend paying and value names respectively in August. This indicates a shift in sentiment toward higher beta asset classes. Historically, growth stocks have typically outperformed value stocks in periods of rising yields. As this sentiment continues to shift, it will provide a better environment for our investment strategies.

We have observed that over the past two months, the TSX Composite has outperformed the S&P 500 index. We have previously noted in our commentaries that this was likely to begin in 2013. In addition, the small cap indices notably, the TSX Venture index, have begun to outperform the TSX Composite. Although this outperformance has been modest to date, we expect that this will accelerate over the balance of 2013. We believe that as the economy rebounds and interest rates increase, investors will reallocate funds toward growth equities and smaller cap names will outperform.

Regards,



Steven Palmer
Steven Palmer, CFA
President and CEO

Monthly Performance (Series A)*

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
AlphaNorth Resource		2.3%	(2.3%)	(14.8%)	(0.4%)	(19.7%)	15.6%	15.1%					(9.4%)
S&P/TSX Small Cap		(0.1%)	0.8%	(4.8%)	1.5%	(4.9%)	3.8%	1.9%					(2.0%)
S&P/TSX Venture		(0.7%)	(3.0%)	(12.2%)	(0.4%)	(8.4%)	4.1%	2.4%					(17.7%)

Key Reasons to Own This Fund

PROVEN LONG TERM PERFORMANCE:

- Management team has a 15 year track record of generating industry leading returns (25%+ annualized)**

CAPITALIZE ON THE GROWING GLOBAL DEMAND FOR RESOURCES:

- Diversified exposure of Canadian resource equities with attractive risk/reward characteristics.

TAX-DEFERRED SWITCHING BETWEEN FUNDS:

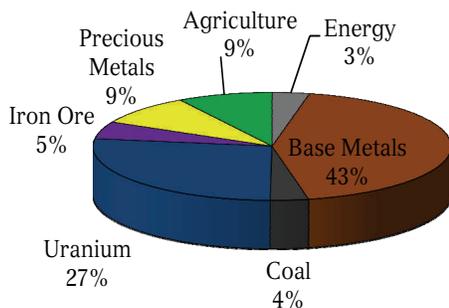
- AlphaNorth Mutual Fund Limited offers an additional fund class with tax-deferred switching:

⇒ **AlphaNorth Growth Fund (ANF010, ANF011)**
Ideal for investors who are seeking exposure to a broad range of Canadian small cap equities.

Performance Analysis

	AlphaNorth Resource Fund	S&P/TSX Small Cap
Returns *		
1 Month	15.1%	1.9%
YTD	(9.4%)	(2.0%)
1 Year	-	-
2 Year	-	-
3 Year	-	-
Since Inception (annualized)	-	-
Since Inception (cumulative)	-	-
Best Month	-	-
Worst Month	-	-
Advancing Months	-	-
Standard Deviation	-	-
Sharpe Ratio	-	-
Beta	-	-

Current Sector Allocation



Fund Information

Lead Manager:	Steven Palmer
Inception:	February 25, 2013
Fund Codes:	Series A - ANF020 Series B - ANF040 (rollover vehicle) Series F - ANF021
Fund Details:	RSP/RESP eligible \$1,000 minimum investment
Sub/Redemption:	Daily
Lock-up:	None
Early Redemption Fee:	2% in first 90 days (except Series B)
Management Fee:	2%
Performance Fee:	20% above TSX return High water mark (no reset)
Trailer:	1% (Series A and B only)
Auditor:	Deloitte & Touche LLP
Administration:	State Street Trust Company & IFDS
Legal:	Stikeman Elliott LLP
Fund Assets:	\$2 million
Account Enquiries:	1-877-506-8122
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Investment Strategy

The **AlphaNorth Resource Fund** (the "Fund") is an **open-ended mutual fund**. The investment objective of the Fund is to generate strong returns by investing in Canadian resource companies that offer attractive risk-reward characteristics. The Fund invests primarily in junior and intermediate Canadian resource companies, and will evaluate industry and company fundamentals to evaluate investment opportunities which offer the most attractive risk-reward. AlphaNorth believes that superior long term investment returns are achievable by exploiting inefficiencies in the Canadian small to medium-cap universe through careful security selection. Fundamental analysis of companies is used in combination with technical analysis techniques, which has proven to be successful, to assist in the timing of buy/sell decisions. The firm combines both a bottom-up and top-down strategy in the selection of investments offering the best risk/reward characteristics.

Company Profile

Founded in 2007, AlphaNorth Asset Management's goal is to achieve superior long term returns for investors. Our value added approach combines the successful track record and investment experience of Steven Palmer and Joey Javier who have worked together as a team since 1998 in the investment industry. Presently, AlphaNorth manages the AlphaNorth Partners Fund, a long biased small cap focused hedge fund, the AlphaNorth the AlphaNorth 2012 Flow-Through LP, the AlphaNorth Resource Fund and the AlphaNorth Growth Fund.

Key Personnel:

Steven Palmer is the President and CEO of AlphaNorth Asset Management. Mr. Palmer started his career in the investment industry in 1995 on the sell side of the business before transitioning to the buy side in 1997. Most recently, from July 1998 to August 2007 he was employed as Vice President - Canadian Equities at one of the world's largest financial institutions where he managed the Canadian equity assets of approximately \$350 million. Mr. Palmer managed a pooled fund focused on small capitalization companies from inception in 1998 to August 2007 achieving returns that were ranked #1 in performance by a major fund ranking service in their small cap pooled fund category (35.8% annualized over 9 years as compared to 10.0% for the S&P/TSX Composite and 13.0% for the BMO Weighted Small Cap Total Return Index) over the same period. Mr. Palmer also managed a large cap fund which was ranked in the first quartile for the following time periods: one year, two year, 3 year, 4 year, 5 year and 10 year. Mr. Palmer earned a BA in Economics from the University of Western Ontario and is a CFA.

Joey Javier is Vice President and Secretary of AlphaNorth Asset Management. Mr. Javier started his career in the investment industry in 1997 as an Equity Trader for one of the world's largest financial institutions where he worked together with Mr. Palmer as the equity team. Mr. Javier was responsible for all equity and money market trading as well as back-up for the fixed income portfolio manager. Mr. Javier has a BA in Economics from York University and is a CIM.

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