

August 2014

	Class A	Class D
AlphaNorth Partners Fund Inc. (AAM101/201)	\$20.436	\$16.315
AlphaNorth Partners Fund LP (AAM102/202)	\$0.534	\$0.426
<b>Consolidated NAV*</b>	<b>\$20.970</b>	<b>\$16.741</b>

**Fund Review** The Fund returned 4.3% in August. In comparison, the TSX Venture index and TSX Total Return index returned 2.2% and 2.1% respectively during the month.

We have started focusing more attention on the resource sectors as we have eliminated any sector biases in recent months. Resource stocks have begun to perform well as we anticipated. The TSX Venture index is comprised of over 2,100 companies and it is heavily weighted in junior resource companies. The modest improvement we have experienced in this index provides a much improved environment for our investment strategy. We have noted over the years that Canadian micro/small cap stocks rarely meander sideways for very long as we have seen over the past year. More typically, they either go up or down quickly. We anticipate an acceleration to the upside in the coming months which will provide a strong backdrop for our investment strategy which focuses on the market sector of sub \$100 million market cap companies.


On many occasions, we have held a stock and it is often at the time of maximum frustration that our investment thesis comes together and the share price generates substantial returns over a very short time. This has occurred on several occasions recently and we look forward to the more favourable market conditions contributing to further surprises to the upside in the months ahead.

The portfolio ended the month with a small cash position. Current sector allocations are as follows: 53% technology, 17% life sciences, 6% consumer, 11% energy, 11% metals and 2% precious metals.

**Outlook** As one would expect following an event such as the Global Financial Crisis, investor risk aversion has remained high for longer than would otherwise be the case in a normal equity market cycle. The equity market rally was initially driven by the lowest risk components of the index: anything large cap, profitable and paying a dividend. In recent quarters, leadership has transitioned to the technology and life sciences sectors which have performed strongly and offer higher returns over the long term. In recent months, we have noted that sentiment is slowly changing to include the more speculative small cap stocks. The fact that the TSXV bottomed over a year ago and has outperformed the majority of the major equity indices worldwide on a year to date basis illustrates this point. Despite this modest improvement in the Canadian small cap space, many small cap stocks have not responded favourably to positive news events. This has been frustrating for both management and investors. We expect returns to become more broad based as the number of strong performers grows. It is interesting to note that the Shanghai Stock Exchange Composite which has traded in a similar pattern to the TSXV over the past decade has recently broken out to new short term highs. The data points continue to accumulate to support our view that Canadian small cap equities are poised for a substantial move higher.



Regards,



Steven Palmer, CFA  
President and CEO

### Performance\* (as of August 31, 2014)

	August	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Inception	Cumulative
AlphaNorth Partners	4.3%	7.3%	(6.3%)	(15.1%)	15.9%	11.4%	109.7%
S&P/TSX Venture	2.2%	9.9%	9.0%	(17.3%)	(2.7%)	(13.4%)	(62.6%)
S&P/TSX Composite TRI	2.1%	16.9%	27.1%	10.2%	10.7%	5.0%	39.3%

### 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)\*\*

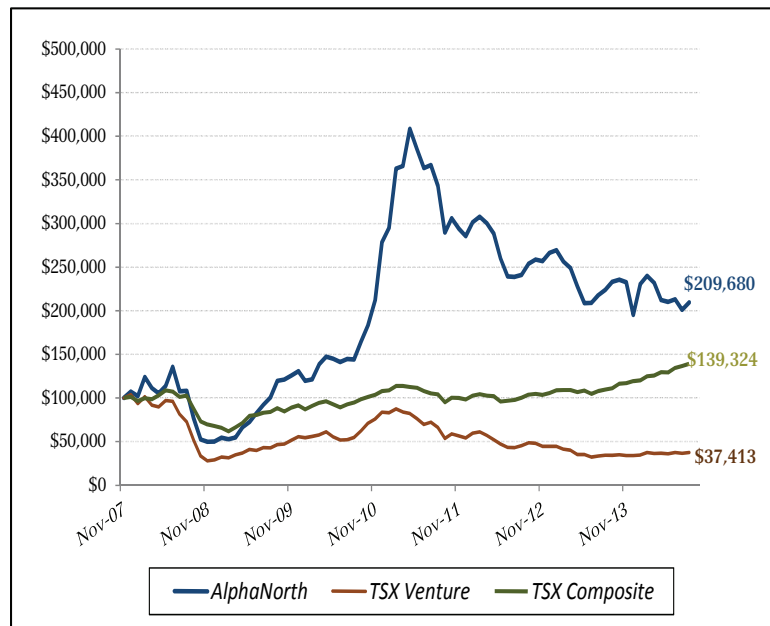
#### DIVERSIFICATION THROUGH SMALL CAP:

- AlphaNorth Partners Fund is well diversified across the resource, technology and life sciences sectors
- Small cap equities is one of the best performing asset classes over the long term. It compliments any investment portfolio, and greatly enhances wealth accumulation

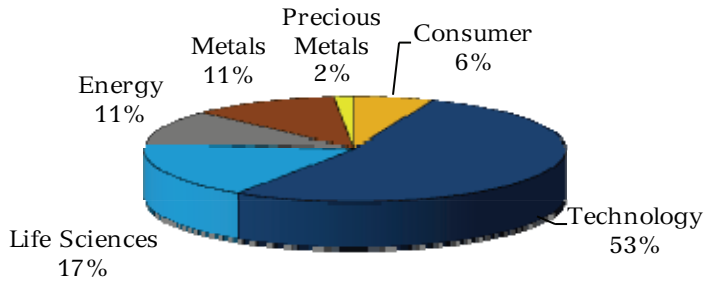
#### UNIQUE STRUCTURE:

- The efficient tax structure dramatically increases after-tax returns over the long term
- All performance fees are reinvested into the fund. Management and employees own a significant portion of fund assets

### Growth of Initial Investment \$100,000



## Current Sector Allocation



## Fund Information

Lead Manager	Steven Palmer
Inception	December 1, 2007
Fund Type	Alternative Strategies (Long biased small cap)
Fund Codes	Class A: AAM100, Class D: AAM200
Eligibility	Accredited Investors only
Fund Details (closed to new investments)	Management Fee Class A- 2%, Class D- 2.5% 20% Performance Fee High water mark (no reset) Monthly valuation
Sub/Redemption	Monthly, 90 day notice
Lock-up	LP portion redeemable upon liquidity event
Redemption Fee	Class A: none; Class D: 3% yr 1, 1.5% yr 2
Beta Compared to	S&P/TSX Venture: 0.92
Sales Contact	Tanya Ali 416-506-0776 x227

## Monthly Performance\*

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2007												7.4%	7.4%
2008	(5.0%)	21.6%	(10.1%)	(5.6%)	8.1%	19.2%	(20.7%)	0.7%	(29.1%)	(31.9%)	(4.9%)	0.7%	(53.3%)
2009	9.0%	(3.5%)	4.0%	21.2%	9.0%	14.1%	11.5%	9.0%	19.1%	1.2%	4.1%	3.7%	160.6%
2010	(8.5%)	1.7%	14.0%	6.4%	(1.6%)	(2.7%)	2.6%	(0.4%)	14.2%	11.3%	15.4%	31.9%	113.6%
2011	5.8%	23.0%	0.9%	11.7%	(5.7%)	(5.7%)	1.0%	(6.5%)	(15.6%)	5.6%	(3.8%)	(2.9%)	2.4%
2012	5.6%	2.0%	(2.4%)	(3.9%)	(9.9%)	(7.9%)	(0.1%)	0.9%	5.3%	1.8%	(0.7%)	3.6%	(6.8%)
2013	1.3%	(4.9%)	(2.9%)	(8.4%)	(8.4%)	0.2%	4.1%	2.9%	4.2%	1.0%	(1.3%)	(16.0%)	(24.8%)
2014	18.1%	4.1%	(3.3%)	(8.6%)	(0.9%)	1.4%	(5.7%)	4.3%					7.3%

## Investment Strategy

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## Company Profile

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### 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.

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**Fund Review** The Fund returned 13.6% in August. In comparison, the TSX Venture index and TSX Total Return index returned 2.2% and 2.1% respectively during the month.

The Fund participated in a couple of private placements during the month which contributed strongly to performance. We have started focusing more attention on the resource sectors as we have eliminated any sector biases in recent months. Resource stocks have begun to perform well as we anticipated. The TSX Venture index is comprised of over 2,100 companies and it is heavily weighted in junior resource companies. The modest improvement we have experienced in this index provides a much improved backdrop for our investment strategy. We have noted over the years that Canadian micro/small cap stocks rarely meander sideways for very long as we have seen over the past year. More typically, they either go up or down quickly. We anticipate an acceleration to the upside in the coming months which will provide a strong backdrop for our investment strategy which focuses on the market sector of sub \$100 million market cap companies. On many occasions, we have held a stock and it is at the time of maximum frustration that our investment thesis comes together and the share price generates substantial returns over a very short time. This has occurred on several occasions recently and we look forward to the more favourable market conditions contributing to further surprises to the upside in the months ahead.

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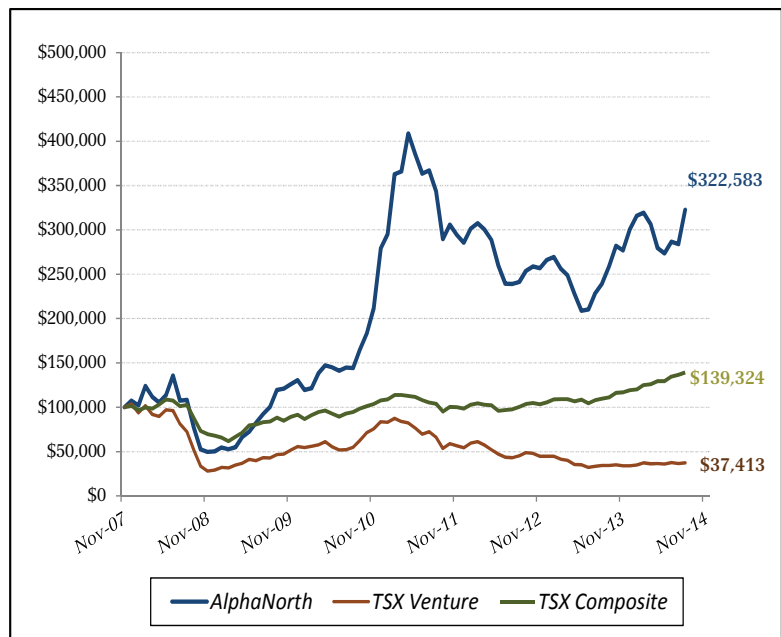
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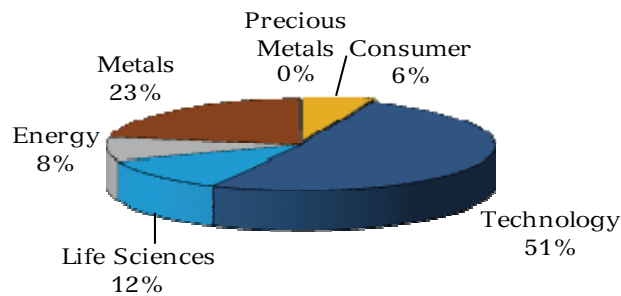
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Lead Manager	Steven Palmer
Inception	December 1, 2007 (Class F&G - June 1, 2013)
Fund Type	Alternative Strategies (Long biased small cap)
Fund Codes	Class F: AAM300, Class G: AAM400
Eligibility	Accredited Investors only
Fund Details	Management Fee Class F- 2%, Class G- 2.5% 20% Performance Fee RRSP eligible High water mark (no reset)
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