

## Ethical Investing.

### Ethical investing makes good business sense.

Ethical investing is more than just a matter of “doing the right thing.” We believe it also makes good business sense.

GrowthWorks Atlantic Venture Fund is committed to investing in companies with high ethical standards. The Fund is a member of the Social Investment Organization and applies an Ethical Screening process to all companies it invests in. Ethical Reviews of potential portfolio companies have been conducted since the Fund was founded in 2005.



### Solid investment potential with an ethical screen.

We seek to earn the best possible return for our shareholders. As a result, the ethical screening process the Fund uses is what is known as a “negative screen.” A company must first meet the Fund’s investment requirements, including return potential. The companies that meet those requirements then are subjected to an Ethical Review. Companies that do not pass the ethical screening process will not receive investment from the Fund.

Some Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) funds have “positive screens” whereby a company producing a desirable product (for example, a product made from recycled materials) would be chosen for investment because of a positive impact on the environment or other SRI criteria. Potential returns may be a secondary consideration for those funds. The Fund does not use positive screens.

### Goal of ethical review.

The goal of the Fund’s Ethical Review is to ensure that all companies being considered for investment employ ethical business practices that withstand scrutiny.

TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE FUND:

Commissions, trailing commissions, management fees and expenses all may be associated with investment fund purchases. Please read the prospectus before investing. Investment funds are not guaranteed, their values change frequently and past performance may not be repeated. In 2005, the Fund completed a merger by purchasing the assets of Workers Investment Fund Inc. in exchange for Class A shares (Balanced Series). Paid in part by the manager of GrowthWorks Atlantic Venture Fund Ltd. GrowthWorks Capital Ltd. is the principal distributor of the Fund.

## GrowthWorks Atlantic Venture Fund's Investment Process

### 1. Investment decisions are based on careful, considered review

The Investment Department selects companies based on a number of factors including the potential for return. These companies must then pass the Ethical Review.

### 2. Exclusionary screens are applied

The second step in the Fund's ethical review process is an exclusionary screen. The GrowthWorks Atlantic Venture Fund will not invest in companies that:

- 1) Derive revenue from the production of tobacco products;
- 2) Generate electricity from nuclear fuels or mine, process or enrich uranium; or
- 3) Derive revenue from the manufacture of military weapons.

### 3. Qualitative criteria are reviewed

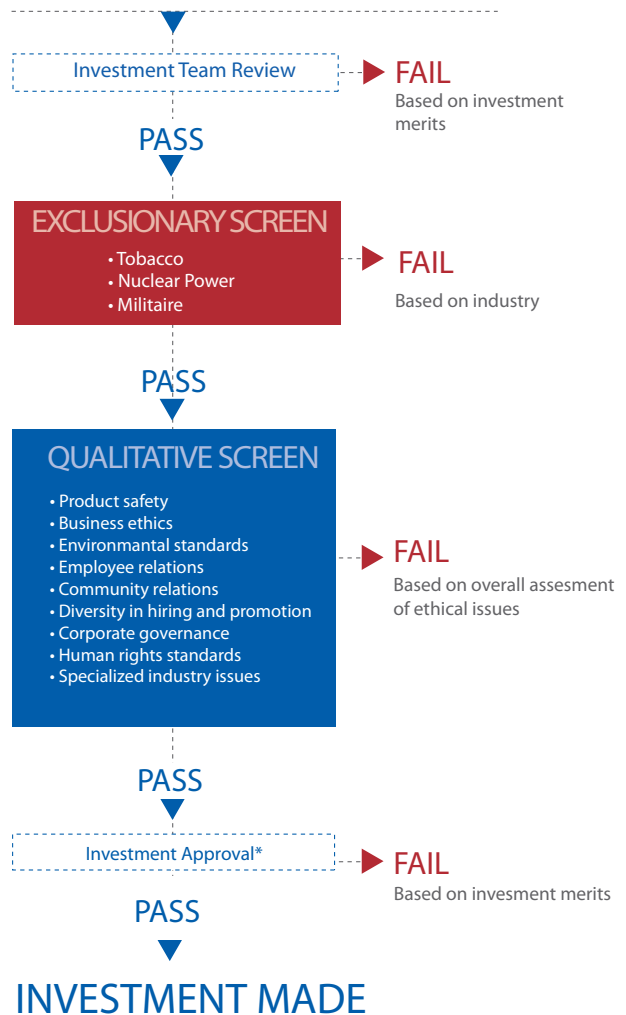
Companies are then assessed based on qualitative ethical criteria that include the following categories:

- Product safety
- Business ethics
- Environmental standards
- Employee relations
- Community relations
- Diversity in hiring and promotion
- Corporate governance
- Human rights standards
- Specialized industry issues, including treatment of animals, genetic engineering, entertainment industry issues, and gambling.

### 4. Investment approved

Companies that pass both the return and ethical screen tests are presented to the Investment Committee of the Board for review, with input from the applicable provincial Business Advisory Council, and approval prior to investment.

## POTENTIAL INVESTMENT



\*See the Fund's prospectus for details of the investment approval process.