#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Enrollees may call 1–800–LTC–FEDS (1–800–582–3337) (TTY: 1–800–843–3557) or visit http://www.ltcfeds.com. For purposes of this Federal Register notice only, the contact at OPM is John Cutler, Senior Policy Analyst, Strategic Human Resources Policy Division, at john.cutler@opm.gov or (202) 606–0735.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Long-Term Care Security Act (Pub. L. 106-265) directs OPM to provide periodic opportunities for eligible persons to apply for coverage in the FLTCIP. OPM has issued regulations (5 CFR 875.402-875.404) which set forth procedures for FLTCIP open seasons. This notice is issued under the provisions of § 875.402(b). The Special Decision Period described in this Notice is solely for current enrollees to make coverage changes. Eligible enrollees will be notified directly about the Special Decision Period by Long Term Care Partners, the program administrator.

Enrollees who have plan options subject to a rate increase beginning in January 2010 will be offered a specified "landing spot" to allow them to reduce their coverage in order to keep their premium approximately the same amount as it is today. Eligible enrollees will also be given an opportunity to change to the new FLTCIP plan design which offers some features different than those currently available. Enrollees who make coverage changes outside of this Special Decision Period may be subject to full underwriting, as specified in § 875.403, and different premium calculation rules.

Qualified enrollees under these special rules: Persons enrolled in the FLTCIP standard plan as of October 1, 2009, and those individuals whose application for the standard plan was received on or before September 30, 2009, and whose enrollment was approved are eligible to make changes during the Special Decision Period, provided they are not in benefit eligible status.

Underwriting requirements: Eligible enrollees who wish to reduce their coverage or keep their current coverage (subject to any applicable rate increases) will be able to do so without underwriting. They may also change to the specified "landing spot" without underwriting. No enrollee's coverage will change unless he or she voluntarily chooses to change it. Other coverage changes may require underwriting.

If underwriting is required, eligible enrollees who are active workforce members or spouses of active workforce members will be subject to the abbreviated underwriting standards in

effect for the FLTCIP as of October 1, 2009. In accordance with § 875.404(b)(2), active workforce members who seek to make changes that require underwriting must be actively at work in order for coverage changes to become effective. For decision period changes with a January 1, 2010, effective date, actively at work requirements are modified. For a coverage change to become effective January 1, 2010, the active workforce member must be actively at work one day during the month of December 2009. If underwriting is required for any other eligible enrollees, they will be subject to the full underwriting standards in effect for the FLTCIP as of October 1, 2009.

Billing age: For enrollees who retain their current benefits, premiums are based on the enrollee's age at purchase. For enrollees who choose to change their benefits, premiums will be determined on a blended rate basis, taking into account the enrollee's age at purchase and the enrollee's attained age as of January 1, 2010.

Prémiums: Certain current enrollees in the FLTCIP will experience a premium increase, effective January 1, 2010. The premium increase affects current enrollees who applied to the FLTCIP on or before September 30, 2009, who have the Automatic Compound Inflation Option (ACIO) and whose age at purchase was under 70. Enrollees affected by the premium increase will receive detailed written information about the specific amount of the increase from Long Term Care Partners. Long Term Care Partners will also provide information on how enrollees may reduce their benefits in order to avoid the premium increase and keep their new premium approximately the same as their current premium. All eligible enrollees will also be given an opportunity to change to the new FLTCIP plan design. Premiums for coverage changes will vary according to the enrollee's age and the coverage options selected.

Effective date: The effective date of coverage changes that do not require underwriting will be January 1, 2010, regardless of when the Special Decision Period request is received. Coverage changes requiring underwriting will be effective January 1, 2010, or the first day of the month following approval of the request, whichever is later.

Enrollees who make coverage changes under these provisions will receive a revised Benefit Booklet and Schedule of Benefits. Enrollees will have 30 days after the date these items are mailed to cancel their Special Decision Period coverage changes and revert to their original coverage or to make another

Special Decision Period choice. Enrollees will receive a refund of any difference in premiums paid for a coverage change that is cancelled within those 30 days. If enrollees cancel the coverage change after 30 days, they will not receive a refund of any difference in premiums paid for the changed coverage, unless those premiums are for a period after the effective date of the cancellation.

OPM expects to hold a FLTCIP Open Season for all individuals eligible to apply in late 2010. We will issue a separate Notice in the **Federal Register** describing the procedures for that Open Season at a later time.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 9008; 5 CFR 875.402. U.S. Office of Personnel Management. John Berry,

Director.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. IC-28930]

### Notice of Applications for Deregistration Under Section 8(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

September 25, 2009.

The following is a notice of applications for deregistration under section 8(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 for the month of September, 2009. A copy of each application may be obtained via the Commission's Web site by searching for the file number, or an applicant using the Company name box, at http://www.sec.gov/search/ search.htm or by calling (202) 551-8090. An order granting each application will be issued unless the SEC orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing on any application by writing to the SEC's Secretary at the address below and serving the relevant applicant with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on October 20, 2009, and should be accompanied by proof of service on the applicant, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the Secretary, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Diane L. Titus at (202) 551–6810, SEC, Division of Investment Management, Office of Investment Company Regulation, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–4041.

## Keystone Tax Exempt Trust [File No. 811–4334]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about March 1, 1996, applicant transferred its assets to Keystone Tax Free Fund, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

Filing Date: The application was filed on September 3, 2009.

*Applicant's Address:* 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

## Keystone Hartwell Growth Fund [File No. 811–1380]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about July 31, 1997, applicant transferred its assets Keystone Omega Fund, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

Filing Date: The application was filed

on September 3, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

## Eagle Growth Shares, Inc. [File No. 811–1935]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On June 17, 2009, applicant made a liquidating distribution to its shareholders, based on net asset value. Expenses of approximately \$82,682 incurred in connection with the liquidation were paid by applicant. Applicant has retained approximately \$36,384 in cash to pay certain remaining liabilities.

Filing Date: The application was filed

on September 10, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 1200 North Federal Hwy., Suite 424, Boca Raton, FL 33432.

# Surgeons Diversified Investment Fund [File No. 811–21868]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On April 20, 2009, applicant made a liquidating distribution to its shareholders, based on net asset value. Expenses of \$53,816 incurred in connection with the liquidation were paid by Surgeons Asset Management, LLC, applicant's investment adviser.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on August 20, 2009.

Applicant's Address: Surgeons Asset Management, LLC, 633 North St. Clair St., Chicago, IL 60611.

## Keystone Precious Metals Holdings, Inc. [File No. 811–2303]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about December 22, 1997, applicant transferred its assets to Evergreen Precious Metals Fund, a series of Evergreen International Trust, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

Filing Date: The application was filed on August 20, 2009.

*Applicant's Address:* 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

# Keystone Omega Fund [File No. 811–1600]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about December 22, 1997, applicant transferred its assets to Evergreen Omega Fund, a series of Evergreen Equity Trust, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

Filing Date: The application was filed on August 20, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

## Ralph Parks Portfolios Trust [File No. 811–21845]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On June 29, 2009, applicant made a liquidating distribution to its shareholders, based on net asset value. Expenses of \$12,764 incurred in connection with the liquidation were paid by applicant and Ralph Parks Investment Group, applicant's investment adviser.

Filing Date: The application was filed on August 18, 2009.

Applicant's Address: Meadowgate Office Park, 101 Sully's Trail, Bldg. 10, Pittsford, NY 14534.

# Pioneer Independence Plans [File No. 811–8551]

Summary: Applicant, a unit investment trust, seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On June 22, 2007, applicant made a liquidating distribution to its planholders, based on net asset value. Applicant incurred no expenses in connection with the liquidation.

Filing Date: The application was filed on September 9, 2009.

*Applicant's Address:* 60 State St., Boston, MA 02109.

## Pioneer Growth Shares [File No. 811–1604]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On December 7, 2007, applicant transferred its assets to Pioneer Independence Fund, based on net asset value. Expenses of approximately \$221,761 incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant, the acquiring fund, and Pioneer Investment Management, Inc., applicant's investment adviser.

Filing Date: The application was filed on September 9, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 60 State St., Boston, MA 02109.

## Keystone Strategic Development Fund [File No. 811–8694]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about December 22, 1997, applicant transferred its assets to Evergreen Natural Resources Fund, a series of Evergreen International Trust, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

Filing Date: The application was filed

on September 1, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

# **Keystone World Bond Fund [File No. 811–4830]**

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about July 31, 1997, applicant transferred its assets to Keystone Strategic Income Fund, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

Filing Date: The application was filed on September 1, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

## Keystone Strategic Growth Fund (K-2) [File No. 811-97]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about December 22, 1997, applicant transferred its assets to Evergreen Strategic Growth Fund, a series of Evergreen Equity Trust, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

Filing Date: The application was filed on August 31, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

## **Keystone International Fund Inc. [File No. 811–1231]**

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about December 22, 1997, applicant transferred its assets to Evergreen International Growth Fund, a series of Evergreen International Trust, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on August 17, 2009.

*Applicant's Address:* 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

### Western Asset/Claymore U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Securities Fund 3 [File No. 811–21559]

Summary: Applicant, a closed-end investment company, seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Applicant has never made a public offering of its securities and does not propose to make a public offering or engage in business of any kind.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on August 14, 2009.

*Applicant's Address:* 385 East Colorado Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91101.

# Keystone Liquid Trust [File No. 811–2521]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about July 31, 1997, applicant transferred its assets to Evergreen Money Market Fund, a series of Evergreen Money Market Trust, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

*Filing Date:* The application was filed on August 19, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

### **Keystone Strategic Income Fund [File No. 811–4947]**

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about December 22, 1997, applicant transferred its assets to Evergreen Strategic Income Fund, a series of Evergreen Fixed Income Trust, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

Filing Date: The application was filed on August 20, 2009.

*Applicant's Address:* 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

Waddell & Reed Advisors Vanguard Fund, Inc. [File No. 811–1806]

Waddell & Reed Advisors International Growth Fund, Inc. [File No. 811–2004]

Waddell & Reed Advisors Continental Income Fund, Inc. [File No. 811–2008]

Waddell & Reed Advisors Retirement Shares, Inc. [File No. 811-2263]

Waddell & Reed Advisors Funds, Inc. [File No. 811–2552]

Waddell & Reed Advisors New Concepts Fund, Inc. [File No. 811–3695]

Waddell & Reed Advisors Asset Strategy Fund, Inc. [File No. 811–7217]

Waddell & Reed Advisors Tax-Managed Equity Fund, Inc. [File No. 811–9789]

# Waddell & Reed Advisors Select Funds, Inc. [File No. 811–10135]

Summary: Each applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On January 30, 2009, each applicant transferred its assets to Waddell & Reed Advisors Funds, based on net asset value. Expenses of approximately \$120,269, \$62,712, \$29,428, \$34,751, \$584,038, \$117,640, \$192,396, \$14,266 and \$135,564, respectively, incurred in connection with the reorganizations were paid by each applicant.

Filing Date: The applications were filed on August 27, 2009.

Applicants' Address: 6300 Lamar Ave., Shawnee Mission, KS 66202– 4200.

### Kayne Anderson Canadian Energy Income Fund, Inc. [File No. 811–21945]

Summary: Applicant, a closed-end investment company, seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Applicant has never made a public offering of its securities and does not propose to make a public offering or engage in business of any kind

Filing Dates: The application was filed on July 17, 2009, and amended on September 2, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 717 Texas Ave., Suite 3100, Houston, TX 77002.

# **Keystone Emerging Markets Fund [File No. 811–7551]**

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Applicant has never made a public offering of its securities and does not propose to make a public offering or engage in business of any kind.

Filing Dates: The application was filed on July 28, 2009, and amended on September 2, 2009.

*Applicant's Address:* 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

### **Keystone Balanced Fund II [File No. 811–7679]**

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On or about July 17, 1997, applicant transferred its assets to Evergreen Foundation Trust, based on net asset value. Expenses incurred in connection with the reorganization were paid by applicant.

Filing Dates: The application was filed on July 27, 2009, and amended on

August 31, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 200 Berkeley St., Boston, MA 02116.

# AIM Core Allocation Portfolio Series [File No. 811–21792]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. Each series of applicant was liquidated at net asset value through a series of shareholder redemptions that was completed on February 26, 2009. Expenses of approximately \$422 incurred in connection with the liquidation were paid by Invesco Aim Advisors, Inc., applicant's investment adviser.

Filing Dates: The application was filed on August 14, 2009, and amended

on September 17, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 11 Greenway Plaza, Suite 100, Houston, TX 77046– 1173.

### E\*TRADE Funds [File No. 811-9093]

Summary: Applicant seeks an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. On March 30, 2009 and April 27, 2009, applicant made liquidating distributions to its shareholders, based on net asset value. Expenses of \$50,000 incurred in connection with the liquidation were paid by E\*TRADE Asset Management, Inc., applicant's investment adviser.

Filing Date: The application was filed on August 20, 2009.

Applicant's Address: 4500 Bohannon Dr., Menlo Park, CA 94025.

### Servus Life Insurance Company Separate Account One [File No. 811– 9031]

### Servus Life Insurance Company Separate Account Two [File No. 811– 9043]

Summary: Applicants seeks an order declaring that they have ceased to be investment companies. Applicants request deregistration based on abandonment of registration. Applicants have not commenced operations and are not now engaged, or intending to engage, in any business activities other than those necessary for winding up their affairs.

*Filing Date:* The applications were filed on July 23, 2009.

Applicants' Address: Seaview House, 70 Seaview Avenue, Stamford, CT 06902–6040.

For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, pursuant to delegated authority.

#### Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. IC-28931; File No. 812-13569]

# Ridgewood Capital Energy Growth Fund, LLC, et al.; Notice of Application

September 25, 2009.

**AGENCY:** Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission").

**ACTION:** Notice of application for an order under section 57(i) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act") and rule 17d–1 under the Act to permit certain joint transactions otherwise prohibited by section 57(a)(4) of the Act and under section 17(d) of the Act and rule 17d–1 under the Act authorizing certain joint transactions.

**SUMMARY OF APPLICATION:** Applicants request an order to permit a business development company ("BDC") to coinvest with certain affiliated investment funds in portfolio companies.

**APPLICANTS:** Ridgewood Capital Energy Growth Fund, LLC (the "Company"), Ridgewood Capital Fund IV, LLC, Ridgewood Capital Fund IV-B, LLC, Ridgewood Capital Fund IV-C, LLC, Ridgewood Capital QP Fund IV, LLC, Ridgewood Capital QP Fund IV-B, LLC, Ridgewood Capital QP Fund IV-C, LLC, Ridgewood QP Fund III LLC, and Ridgewood Venture Fund III LLC (each individually, a "Fund" and collectively, the "Funds"), and Ridgewood Capital Management, LLC (the "Adviser"). FILING DATES: The application was filed on August 25, 2008 and amended on February 6, 2009, June 4, 2009, and September 24, 2009.

### **HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING:**

An order granting the requested relief will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the Commission's Secretary and serving applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the Commission by 5:30 p.m. on October 20, 2009, and should be accompanied by proof of service on applicants, in the form of an

affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the Commission's Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F St., NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090. Applicants: c/o Daniel V. Gulino, Esq., Ridgewood Capital Energy Growth Fund, LLC, 947 Linwood Avenue, Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jill Ehrlich, Attorney Advisor, at (202) 551–6819, or Mary Kay Frech, Branch Chief, at (202) 551–6821 (Office of Investment Company Regulation, Division of Investment Management).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following is a summary of the application. The complete application may be obtained via the Commission's Web site by searching for the file number, or an applicant using the Company name box, at <a href="http://www.sec.gov/search/search.htm">http://www.sec.gov/search/search.htm</a> or by calling (202) 551–8090.

### **Applicants' Representations**

1. The Company is an externally managed, non-diversified, closed-end management investment company that intends to elect to be regulated as a BDC under the Act.<sup>1</sup> The Company intends to operate as a specialty investment company focused on providing customized financing to a limited number of energy or renewable energy, technology, and growth-based companies from the early stages of development to the expansion and later stages of development. The Company's investment objective is to generate longterm capital appreciation from these equity-related investments. The Company will have a five-member board of directors (the "Board") of which three members are not "interested persons" of the Company within the meaning of section 2(a)(19) of the Act (the "Independent Directors"). The Adviser is an investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 and will manage the investment activities of the Company pursuant to an investment advisory agreement.

2. Each of the Funds is a Delaware limited liability company of which the

Adviser is the managing member and is a separate and distinct legal entity. Each is excluded from the definition of investment company by either section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the Act. The Funds' investment objectives are essentially the same as those of the Company. Each Fund is operated in accordance with a limited liability company agreement (collectively, the "Agreements"). The Agreements also serve effectively as the advisory contracts between the Adviser and each Fund and provide the Adviser with full, exclusive and complete discretion in the management and control of the Funds. The Adviser may in the future advise other entities that are affiliated persons of the Company as defined in section 2(a)(3)(C) of the Act (the "Future Co-Investment Affiliates").2

3. Applicants request relief permitting the Company, the Funds and any Future Co-Investment Affiliate to co-invest in portfolio companies (the "Co-Investment Program" and each investment, a "Co-Investment Transaction").3 Each Co-Investment Transaction would be allocated among the Company, on the one hand, and the Funds, on the other hand. In selecting investments for the Company, the Adviser will consider only the investment objective, investment policies, investment position, capital available for investment, and other pertinent factors applicable to the Company. While co-investment would be the norm, each transaction and the proposed allocation of each investment opportunity would be approved prior to the actual investment by the required majority (within the meaning of section 57(o)) (the "Required Majority").4

### Applicants' Legal Analysis

1. Section 57(a)(4) of the Act prohibits certain affiliated persons of a BDC from participating in a joint transaction with the BDC in contravention of rules as prescribed by the Commission. Under section 57(b)(2) of the Act, any person who is directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under common control with a BDC is subject to section 57(a)(4).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 2(a)(48) defines a BDC to be any closedend investment company that operates for the purpose of making investments in securities described in sections 55(a)(1) through 55(a)(3) of the Act and makes available significant managerial assistance with respect to the issuers of such securities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Sections 2(a)(3)(C) defines an "affiliated person" of another person as any person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with, such other person.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> All existing entities that currently intend to rely on the order have been named as applicants and any future entities that may rely on the order in the future will comply with its terms and conditions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The term "Required Majority," when used with respect to the approval of a proposed transaction, plan, or arrangement, means both a majority of a BDC's directors or general partners who have no financial interest in such transaction, plan, or arrangement and a majority of such directors or general partners who are not interested persons of such company.