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**RBC AIM Trimark Global Balanced Deposit Notes, Series 1**

**Price: \$100 Per Note**

**Minimum Purchase: \$5,000 or 50 Notes**

**Minimum Issue Size: \$2,000,000 or 20,000 Notes**

This document describes deposit notes (each, a “Note”) proposed to be issued by Royal Bank of Canada (“**Royal Bank**”, “we”, “our” or “us”). Each Note provides for the payment on or about January 5, 2015 (the “**Maturity Date**”) of the \$100 principal amount. Return on the Notes, if any, is linked to the performance of a notional portfolio (the “**Notional Portfolio**”) of assets allocated dynamically over the term of the Notes between (i) a notional equity account (the “**Equity Account**”) and (ii) a notional bond account (the “**Bond Account**”). The Bond Account will be comprised of bonds with an implicit yield to maturity equal to the inter-bank swap rate for a term equal to the then remaining term of the Notes and that pay a quarterly coupon of 0.30% per annum at the time the bonds are purchased (the “**Bonds**”). The Equity Account will be comprised of series A units (the “**Units**”) of the Trimark Global Balanced Fund (the “**Fund**”), an open-end mutual fund managed by AIM Funds Management Inc. (the “**Fund Manager**”). For more detailed information on the Fund Manager, the Equity Account and the Fund see “*Information Regarding the Equity Account*”. For more detailed information on the Bond Account and the circumstances where assets in the Notional Portfolio would be allocated to the Bond Account, see “*Notional Portfolio and Loan*” and “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules*”.

Each Note will pay monthly coupons on the 15th day of each month and the Maturity Date (each a “**Monthly Coupon Payment Date**”) equal to 0.42% multiplied by the value of the Equity Account at the close of business on the fifth exchange business day immediately preceding Monthly Coupon Payment Date. Each Note will also pay a final variable return payable at maturity equal to the amount, if positive, by which the final net asset value per Note on the third exchange day prior to maturity, minus the value of any distributions that have not yet been paid at such time exceeds the principal amount (\$100) of the Note. The full principal amount of each Note will be paid at maturity regardless of the performance of the Notional Portfolio. The actual calculation of returns payable to Noteholders is more fully described below under “*Payments Under the Notes*”. The monthly coupon of 0.42% is equal to an annualized yield of 5.04%. If the actual yield in the Fund is less than 5.04% annually, payment of the monthly coupon will require liquidation of Units in the Equity Account in an amount equal to 5.04% minus the then current annual yield of the Fund, calculated on a monthly basis before giving effect to any liquidation required to pay the portion of the Portfolio Fee (as defined below) that is calculated on the value of the Equity

Account. The annual gross yield of the securities in the Fund as of March 31, 2007 is 3.1%.

The assets in the Equity Account may be partially funded, from time to time, through a notional revolving loan (the “**Loan**”) that will vary, and may be zero, depending upon the value of the assets and cash in the Equity Account, interest rates and fees payable. The Loan will effectively provide leverage in the Equity Account at a cost equal to the Bank of Canada overnight call loan rate plus 0.25% (which will be deducted from the value of the Notional Portfolio). Initially, 100% of the assets will be allocated to the Equity Account. The Initial Loan Amount will be \$5 and a selling fee of \$5 per \$100 principal amount of each Note will be paid to the selling agents. The initial value of the Equity Account will therefore be \$100 per Note (\$100 Principal Amount - \$5 selling fee + \$5 loan = \$100).

Amounts equal to all cash dividends and other cash distributions in respect of settled Units in the Equity Account on the record date will be credited to a notional distribution account (the “**Distribution Account**”). All other dividends or distributions in respect of the Units (e.g. non-cash distributions) will be re-invested in the Equity Account in the form of additional units of the Fund.

The Calculation Agent will be paid a portfolio fee (“**Portfolio Fee**”) equal to (i) 2.45% per annum of the daily value of the Equity Account plus (ii) 0.30% per annum of the face amount of the Bonds in the Bond Account, calculated by the Calculation Agent, in each case on a daily basis and paid quarterly in arrears. In the case of the portion of the Portfolio Fee referenced in (i) above, such portion may be notionally paid from cash in the Equity Account (which may require liquidation of assets in the Equity Account) and/or by drawdown of the Loan Amount, as the Calculation Agent may determine. In the case of the portion of the Portfolio Fee referenced in (ii) above, such portion will be effectively funded through the quarterly coupons payable on the Bonds.

The Calculation Agent will apply pre-defined rules (the “**Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules**”) to govern from time to time how much of the Loan is drawn down and the allocation of the Notional Portfolio between the Equity Account and the Bond Account. Generally, the Notional Portfolio will be “re-balanced” and the Loan re-adjusted, as necessary, so that the Exposure (as defined in accordance with the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules) would be approximately equal to the Target Exposure (as defined in accordance with the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules) if the re-balancing transactions had occurred on the date of measurement. If the value of assets in the Equity Account declines to a point where the Distance (as defined in accordance with the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules) is less than or equal to 2% (a “**Protection Event**”), then the Notional Portfolio will be re-balanced such that the value of all assets in the Equity Account is applied first to reduce any outstanding Loan amount and accrued Portfolio Fees and second to increase the value of Bonds in the Bond Account. The Notional Portfolio will thereafter consist entirely of Bonds until maturity of the Notes.

If certain extraordinary events occur, the composition of the Notional Portfolio will be changed so that it is comprised entirely of Bonds, in which case monthly coupon payments would thereafter be eliminated and any return payable under the Notes at maturity may be reduced or eliminated. A Noteholder will not receive payment of the \$100 principal amount of a Note prior to maturity. Those events which may constitute an extraordinary event are listed under “*Definitions*” and some of the potential consequences of such extraordinary events are summarized below under “*Answers to Frequently Asked Questions*” and “*Payments Under the Notes*”.

The Notes will evidence deposit liabilities of Royal Bank and will rank equally and rateably with all other deposit liabilities of Royal Bank and by their terms will be fungible.  **Holders of the Notes will not have the benefit of any insurance under the provisions of the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation Act (Canada).**

The Notes may be purchased, settled and otherwise dealt with in accordance with the clearing and settlement procedures and services operated by FundSERV Inc. (“**FundSERV**”) and certain other rules and protocols established with dealers and financial advisors in connection with such services. Some of the potential implications to Noteholders of these procedures are summarized below under “*Answers to Frequently Asked Questions*” and “*Related Matters – Resale of Notes Through FundSERV*”. Royal Bank will pay selling agents who sell the Notes a selling fee of 5% of the \$100 principal amount of each Note and an annual fee of 0.25% paid quarterly in arrears on the daily value of the Equity Account, which shall be paid out of the proceeds of the Portfolio Fee.

RBC Dominion Securities Inc. (“**RBC DS**”) intends to take steps to establish a secondary market for the Notes. Any resale of Notes will be subject to certain procedures, requirements and limitations established by FundSERV. The price paid to a Noteholder in connection with any resale through FundSERV will be determined based on the net bid price calculated at the close of business on the business day on which the Noteholder placed the order. Any resale made during the first three (3) years will reflect a pre-determined deferred sales charge. The Notes will not be listed on any stock exchange and may be dealt with through FundSERV. Despite the intention of RBC DS to take steps to establish a secondary market for the Notes, RBC DS reserves the right, without providing prior notice to Noteholders, to choose not to do so in its sole discretion. If RBC DS determines to stop facilitating a secondary market for the Notes, Noteholders may not be able to resell their Notes through the FundSERV system. There is no guarantee that any secondary market which may develop in respect of the Notes will be liquid or sustainable. Consequently, the Notes should not be viewed as trading instruments. See “*Related Matters – Plan of Distribution*” and “*Related Matters – Resale of Notes Through FundSERV*”.

**The Notes provide opportunities for investment but may pose risks. Certain of these risks result from the possibility of fluctuations in interest rates and of changes in the values of the constituent elements of the Notional Portfolio including the Fund and Bonds. The Notes are subject to certain risks that are distinct from a direct investment in the Fund and Bonds. For example, return on the Notes will be subject to reduction to reflect certain fees and expenses, and the application of the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules may exaggerate the potentially adverse effect of a decline in the value of the Fund. You should carefully consider the risks involved in purchasing Notes before reaching an investment decision and you should discuss with your advisors the suitability of purchasing Notes in light of your particular investment objectives and after reviewing all available information, including the information provided in this Information Statement. See “*Risk Factors*”.**

The Notes will be represented by a global note, which will be held by and registered in the name of CDS or its nominee. Royal Bank will, directly or indirectly through its CDS participant, hold all of the beneficial interests in the Notes and, through its agent RBC DS (which may delegate its responsibilities, without notice to Noteholders, to, and in reliance upon, third party service providers), will record the respective Noteholders’ beneficial interests in the Notes as instructed by the dealers and financial advisors representing such Noteholders through FundSERV.

# Royal Bank of Canada

## RBC AIM Trimark Global Balanced Deposit Notes, Series 1

### SUMMARY

*The following is a summary of the basic terms of the RBC AIM Trimark Global Balanced Deposit Notes, Series 1 (individually a “Note” and collectively the “Notes”). All references to the Notes and a Note contained in this Information Statement will include the Global Note. Unless otherwise indicated, references to “\$” are to Canadian dollars. Capitalized terms which are not otherwise defined herein are defined under “Definitions”.*

- Issuer:** Royal Bank of Canada (“**Royal Bank**”, “**we**”, “**our**” or “**us**”). Our head office is located at 200 Bay Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2J5.
- Issue Date:** On or about July 5, 2007.
- Maturity Date and Term:** On or about January 5, 2015 (resulting in a term to maturity of approximately 7.5 years).
- Principal Amount:** The Notes will be sold in a denomination of \$100 per Note (the “**Principal Amount**”) with a minimum subscription of 50 Notes per noteholder (each a “**Noteholder**”).
- Principal Amount Repayment:** If the Notes are held until the Maturity Date, the full Principal Amount of \$100 per Note will be paid on the Maturity Date (regardless of the performance of the Notional Portfolio and even if the NAV<sub>Final</sub> is less than \$100 for any reason).
- Notional Portfolio:** Return under the Notes will be reflected in the Monthly Coupons, if any, that are payable and the Final Variable Return, if any. The Final Variable Return is linked to the performance of the Notional Portfolio. The Notional Portfolio will consist of assets allocated dynamically over the term of the Notes between the Equity Account and, in certain circumstances, the Bond Account, which will be comprised of Bonds. Holdings in the Equity Account may be leveraged from time to time through the Loan. The Equity Account will consist of Units of the Fund. Noteholders will not have any ownership interest in Fund or the Bond Account at any time.
- Monthly Coupon Payment Date:** The 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month and the Maturity Date; provided that, if such day is not a Business Day, then such payment date will be the next Business Day without any additional amount to be payable for such delay in respect of interest or otherwise, commencing on August 15, 2007 and ending on December 15, 2014.
- Monthly Coupons:** Monthly Coupons per Note will be payable in Canadian dollars in each case in an amount (the “**Monthly Coupon Amount**”) equal to 0.42% multiplied by the value of the Equity Account at the close of business on the fifth exchange business day immediately preceding Monthly Coupon Payment Date. Monthly Coupons for each month will be funded by the Distributions in respect of the Fund in the Equity Account on the record date. The remainder of the Monthly Coupon Amount for any month will be funded by liquidation of assets in the Equity Account. See “*Payments Under the Notes – Payments Prior to Maturity - Monthly Coupons*”.

The Monthly Coupon Amount of 0.42% is equal to an annualized yield of 5.04%. If the actual yield in the Fund is less than 5.04% annually, payment of the Monthly Coupon Amount will require liquidation of Units in the Equity Account in an amount equal to 5.04% minus the then current annual yield of the Fund, calculated on a monthly basis before giving effect to any liquidation required to pay the portion of the Portfolio Fee that is calculated on the value of the Equity Account. The annual gross yield of the securities in the Fund as of March 31, 2007 is 3.1%.

**Final Variable Return:** The Final Variable Return is linked to the NAV<sub>Final</sub>. The Final Variable Return, if any, per Note will be payable on the Maturity Date in the amount, if any, by which the NAV<sub>Final</sub> exceeds the Principal Amount. See “*Payments under the Notes – Payments on Maturity*”.

**Equity Account:** The Equity Account will be comprised of Series A units (“**Units**”) of the Trimark Global Balanced Fund. See “*Summary Information Regarding the Equity Account*”. Inclusions and exclusions of Units in or from the Equity Account after the Issue Date will be valued as to the respective Canadian dollar market values existing upon the occurrence of an Allocation Event. The Equity Account will be valued daily by the Fund Manager using published closing prices.

**Distribution Account:** An amount equal to all cash dividends and other cash distributions in respect of settled Units in the Equity Account, other than cash and cash equivalents, on the record date will be credited to the Distribution Account when paid. The Distribution Account will fund the payment of the Monthly Coupons. If the funds in the Distribution Account are insufficient to pay the Monthly Coupon as of the fifth Business Day immediately preceding the relevant Monthly Coupon Payment Date cash will be transferred from the Equity Account (which may require a liquidation of assets in the Equity Account) to the Distribution Account by the Calculation Agent. Upon payment of each Monthly Coupon, the Monthly Coupon Amount will be deducted from the Distribution Account.

**Loan and Loan Amount:** The value of the assets in the Equity Account may be leveraged from time to time through a notional revolving loan. The Loan Amount that may be outstanding from time to time will be dependent upon the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules which will factor in the value of the Equity Account, the applicable interest rate, interest amounts and other fees payable. The Loan Amount may increase (i.e., be drawn down) or decrease (i.e., be repaid) upon the occurrence of an Allocation Event. The Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules will effectively limit the Loan Amount by imposing a maximum Target Exposure of 200% and the Loan Amount will be limited to no more than \$105 per \$100 Principal Amount. The value of the Notional Portfolio will be reduced to reflect the implicit costs associated with the Loan. In effect, Noteholders pay the implicit costs of such borrowings by way of a reduction in the value of the Notional Portfolio. The cost of such borrowings will equal the Bank of Canada overnight call loan rate plus 0.25%.

**Bond Account:** The Bond Account will be comprised of notional bonds. Such bonds will be notional obligations that have an implicit yield to maturity equal to the inter-bank swap rate for a term equal to the then remaining term of the Notes and that pay a quarterly coupon at a rate of 0.30% per annum at the time the Bonds

are purchased.

**Notional Portfolio  
Allocation Rules:**

The Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules will dictate the allocation of the Notional Portfolio from time to time between Bond Account and Equity Account, and the use of leverage through the Loan Amount, if any. The Calculation Agent will be responsible for applying the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules, including the allocation between the Bond Account and the Equity Account and drawdown or repayment of the Loan.

Stated generally, the initial allocation to the Equity Account will be 100% of the Principal Amount (\$100 per Note) minus the \$5 selling fee plus an Initial Loan Amount of \$5 per Note such that the value allocated to the Equity Account is \$100 (\$100 Principal Amount - \$5 selling fee + \$5 loan = \$100) and the initial NAV is \$95 per Note (\$100 Equity Account value minus \$5 Loan Amount = \$95). The Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules will be applied daily and, if the absolute value of the difference between the Target Exposure and the Exposure (i) within the initial 91 calendar days from the Issue Date is greater than 25%, and (ii) after the initial 91 calendar days from the Issue Date is greater than 5% (an “**Allocation Event**”), the Notional Portfolio will be “re-balanced” and the Loan Amount re-adjusted so that the Exposure would be approximately equal to the Target Exposure if the re-balancing transactions had occurred on the date of measurement. The Target Exposure is limited to 200% and the Loan Amount is limited to \$105 per \$100 Note. Upon the occurrence of an Extraordinary Event, or if the Distance declines to less than or equal to 2% (a “**Protection Event**”), then the value of the assets in the Equity Account will be re-adjusted and notionally applied first to reduce any outstanding Loan Amount and accrued Portfolio Fees, and second to purchase notional Bonds in the Bond Account such that the Notional Portfolio will consist entirely of Bonds until maturity of the Notes. Thereafter, no Monthly Coupons will be paid and Noteholders will not have any exposure to the Equity Account. See “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules*”.

**Portfolio Fees and Other  
Fees:**

The Fund has certain expenses from time to time including management fees paid to the Fund Manager for the management services provided by it. The ratio of these expenses to the net asset value of a fund is called the management expense ratio. As of December 31, 2006, the management expense ratio for the Series A Units was 2.36%. The management expense ratio of the Fund may go up or down over the term of the Notes. However, for the purpose of calculating the net asset value for the Fund over the term of the Notes, the Equity Account portion of the Portfolio Fee will be used (the “**Fixed MER**”) rather than the actual management expense ratio, and no adjustment will be made to reflect any changes to the actual management expense ratio of the Fund which may occur after you make your deposit with us. The Calculation Agent will be paid a portfolio fee (“**Portfolio Fee**”) equal to (i) 2.45% per annum of the average daily value of the Equity Account, plus (ii) 0.30% per annum of the face amount of the Bonds in the Bond Account, in each case calculated daily and paid quarterly in arrears. In the case of the portion of the Portfolio Fee referenced in (i) above, such portion will be funded from cash attributed to the Equity Account (which may require liquidation of assets in the Equity Account) and/or by drawdown of the Loan, as the Calculation Agent may determine. In the case of the portion of the Portfolio Fee referenced in (ii) above, such portion will be effectively

funded through the quarterly coupons payable on the Bonds.

Royal Bank will pay selling agents, who sell the Notes, an annual fee of 0.25% paid quarterly on the daily value of the holdings of the Equity Account posted on FundSERV which shall be paid out of the proceeds of the Portfolio Fee and a selling fee of 5% of the \$100 principal amount of each Note.

**Calculation Agent:**

The Calculation Agent for the Notes will be appointed by Royal Bank from time to time. The Calculation Agent initially will be RBC Dominion Securities Inc., whose address is P.O. Box 50, Royal Bank Plaza, 2nd Floor, South Tower, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5J 2W7; Attention: Global Equity Derivatives.

**Extraordinary Events:**

An Extraordinary Event is an event which could have a material adverse impact on our ability to perform our obligations under the Notes or to hedge our position in respect of our obligation to make payments under the Notes, including the events listed under the definition of “Extraordinary Event” under “*Definitions*”.

If one or more Extraordinary Events occur, the Notional Portfolio will consist entirely of Bonds, in which case, no Monthly Coupon payments will thereafter be made on the Notes and the Final Variable Return may be reduced or eliminated altogether, even though the Fund may in fact appreciate in value and/or earn a positive return following the occurrence of the Extraordinary Event. If an Extraordinary Event occurs, the \$100 principal amount per Note will be paid at the Maturity Date but not earlier. If an Extraordinary Event occurs, the possibility of receiving more than \$100 per Note at maturity is significantly reduced and there may be no payment in addition to the repayment of the Principal Amount. See “*Payments Under the Notes – Consequences of Extraordinary Events*”.

**Secondary Market:**

Royal Bank will maintain a secondary market for the Notes, but reserves the right not to do so in the future, without providing prior notice to Noteholders. Redemption through FundSERV would be a sale to Royal Bank in the secondary market. Proceeds on sale may be less than the \$100 Principal Amount. A Noteholder who sells a Note prior to maturity will have to pay a deferred sales charge, deductible from the proceeds of the sale of the Note, of 6.95% initially reducing to 0% after 3 years.

**Registered Account Eligibility:**

Notes, if issued on the date of this Information Statement, would be qualified investments for trusts governed by registered retirement savings plans, registered retirement income funds, registered education savings plans and deferred profit sharing plans within the meaning of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) (other than a deferred profit sharing plan to which payments are made by Royal Bank or a person or partnership with which Royal Bank does not deal at arm’s length).

**Risk Factors**

For a summary of certain of the risk factors associated with purchasing the Notes, see “*Certain Risk Factors*”, below. For risks associated with the Fund, see “*Risks Relating to the Fund*” below.

**Right of Rescission:**

A person may rescind any order to buy a Note (or its purchase if issued) within 48 hours of the earlier of actual receipt and deemed receipt of this Information Statement. Upon rescission, the person is only entitled to a refund of the \$100 principal amount per Note and any fees relating to the purchase that have been paid by the person. This rescission right does not extend to purchasers buying a Note in the secondary market. A person will be deemed to have received this Information Statement (i) on the day recorded as the time of sending by the server or other electronic means, if provided by electronic means; (ii) on the day recorded as the time of sending by fax machine, if provided by fax; (iii) five days after the postmark date, if provided by mail; and (iv) when it is received, in any other case.



## ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

*The following questions and answers have been prepared to provide potential investors with a brief summary of some of the features of the Notes. The information provided below is subject to, and should be read in conjunction with, the other sections of this Information Statement.*

### **How are returns linked to the Notional Portfolio?**

Subject to the occurrence of certain Extraordinary Events, a Noteholder's payment entitlement at maturity will equal the sum of the \$100 Principal Amount per Note plus a Final Variable Return, if any. The Final Variable Return is equal to the final Net Asset Value on a per Note basis, minus the Principal Amount. Provided there has been no Extraordinary Event or Protection Event, a Noteholder will also be entitled to monthly coupons equal to 0.42% multiplied by the value of the Equity Account portion of the Notional Portfolio at the close of business on the fifth exchange business day immediately preceding Monthly Coupon Payment Date. The actual calculation of this return is more fully described below under "*Payments Under the Notes*".

You should recognize that it is impossible to know whether the value of the Notional Portfolio will rise or fall. The Fund will be actively allocated by the Fund Manager at its sole discretion. It is impossible to predict the performance or the actual composition of the Fund. For more detailed information on the Fund Manager and the Equity Account, see "*Information Regarding the Equity Account*".

### **What happens to the Notional Portfolio if the value of the Fund falls?**

If the value of the Fund falls, the Notional Portfolio will be adjusted so that it consists of more Bonds. This reduces the exposure of the Notes to further decreases in the value of the Fund. The increased exposure of the portfolio to Bonds means that the value of the Notional Portfolio is designed to at least equal the aggregate principal amount of the Notes payable at maturity. In effect, this strategy mitigates the risk that the value of the Notional Portfolio could be less than the aggregate principal amount owing by us on the maturity of the Notes.

### **Can the upside potential of the Notes be increased?**

The Notional Portfolio may have as much as 200% exposure to the Equity Account. Exposure to the Equity Account above 100% requires one or more drawdowns under the Loan. This leverage offers the potential for enhanced returns but also entails a higher degree of risk, including the risk of greater potential losses as a result of reductions in the value of the Fund. The cost of borrowing under the Loan will reduce the value of the Notional Portfolio. The cost of such borrowing will equal the Bank of Canada overnight call loan rate plus 0.25%. See "*Notional Portfolio and Loan – Portfolio Fees*".

### **Is it possible for Monthly Coupons to be terminated or for return on the Notes to be zero, even if the value of the Fund at maturity is greater than on issuance?**

Yes. If the value of the Fund was to fall such that the Notional Portfolio, the composition of which is determined in accordance with the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules, consisted only of Bonds (for example, upon the occurrence of a Protection Event or an Extraordinary Event), then, following the first occurrence of such an event, no further Monthly Coupons would be paid to Noteholders and any return payable under the Notes at maturity may be reduced or eliminated.

### **Is it possible that the amount payable would be less than the principal amount of \$100?**

No. The principal amount is assured at maturity, whether or not the value of the Notional Portfolio rises or falls over the term of the Notes.

### **What effect will the Portfolio Fee have on returns?**

The Calculation Agent is entitled to a portfolio fee equal to (i) 2.45% per annum of the average daily value of the Equity Account; plus (ii) 0.30% per annum of the face amount of the Bonds in the Bond Account, in each case, calculated daily and paid quarterly in arrears. In the case of the portion of the Portfolio Fee referenced in (i) above, such portion will be funded from cash attributed to the Equity Account or drawdown of the Loan. In the case of the portion of the Portfolio Fee referenced in (ii) above, such portion will be effectively funded through the quarterly coupons payable on the Bonds. The effect of these fees is that the value of the Equity Account and the Bond Account will be less than that of similar accounts which do not contemplate payment of such fees, but which are otherwise identical to the Equity Account and the Bond Account. In any event, a Noteholder will be entitled to receive at least the \$100 principal amount of each Note held until the Maturity Date.

### **What factors may affect the trading value of my Notes in any secondary market?**

The value of the Notes in a secondary market, if any, will be affected by a number of complex and inter-related factors. The effect of any one factor may be offset or magnified by the effect of another factor. The following list, although not exhaustive, describes some of the factors that may impact the trading value of the Notes:

- the value of the Fund;
- the level (if any) of distributions paid to holders of units of the Fund;
- how much the value of the assets in the Notional Portfolio have risen or fallen since the Issue Date;
- the fact that the composition of the Notional Portfolio may be reallocated from time to time between the Equity Account and the Bond Account, and the Loan Amount, if any, may increase or decrease during the term of the Notes in accordance with the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules;
- the fees payable in connection with the Notes;
- the nature and effect of the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules;
- the volatility, or the degree to which the prices of the assets in the Fund changes; and
- a number of other interrelated factors, including the level of interest rates in Canada; the time remaining until maturity; and the overall volatility of the value of the assets comprising the Notional Portfolio.

The relationship among these factors is complex and may also be influenced by various political, economic and other factors that can affect the secondary market price of a Note.

Sales of Notes prior to maturity may be subject to a deferred sales charge. If you sell a Note within three years from the date of the closing of this offering, the proceeds from the sale of the Note will be reduced by a Deferred Sales Charge. Any resale order placed will be priced at the end of the business day on which such order is placed based on closing prices on such day and the Noteholder will be advised of the price on the following business day.

### **What is an Extraordinary Event?**

An Extraordinary Event is an event which could have a material adverse impact on our ability to perform our obligations under the Notes or to hedge our position in respect of our obligation to make payments under the Notes, including the events listed under the definition of “Extraordinary Event” under “*Definitions*”.

**Will I have any right to vote or deal with the units of the Fund and the Bonds comprising the Notional Portfolio as a result of owning Notes?**

No. References to the “Fund”, the “Bonds” and the “Notional Portfolio” are to notional, rather than actual, investments. There is no requirement for Royal Bank to hold the units of the Fund and Bonds corresponding to the Notional Portfolio. The Notes will not entitle a Noteholder to any interest in the Fund or Bonds comprising the Notional Portfolio and Noteholders will not be entitled to the rights and benefits of holders of such investments, including any right to vote at or attend meetings of security holders.

**What about tax?**

**A purchaser of Notes should consult with his or her own tax advisor with respect to his or her individual tax position.** General Canadian federal tax issues relevant to an initial purchaser who is a resident of Canada are summarized under “*Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations*”. A Noteholder will be subject to tax with respect to any Monthly Coupons in a manner that is different than if the Noteholder, instead of holding Notes, held an interest in the Equity Account and received any distributions directly. All Noteholders should consult with their own advisors with respect to the tax consequences to them of holding Notes. The Notes are RRSP, RRIF, RESP and DPSP eligible for purposes of the Act; see “*Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations—Registered Account Eligibility for Investment*”.

This Information Statement is not intended to provide, nor should it be relied upon as, tax advice to any particular Noteholder. In addition, no information on the effect of provincial, territorial and foreign income tax laws is provided in this Information Statement.

**Am I entitled to CDIC protection on these investments?**

The Notes, although they are deposit liabilities of Royal Bank, will not constitute deposits that are insured under the *Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation Act* (Canada). Therefore a Noteholder will not be entitled to Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation protection.

**What if I need my money early?**

RBC DS intends to take steps to establish a secondary market for the Notes. Despite the intention of RBC DS to take steps to establish such a market, RBC DS reserves the right, without providing prior notice to Noteholders, to choose not to do so in its sole discretion. If RBC DS determines to stop facilitating a secondary market for the Notes, Noteholders may not be able to resell their Notes through the FundSERV system. There is no guarantee that any secondary market which may develop in respect of Notes will be liquid or sustainable. For further information on the resale of Notes, see below under “*How would I access FundSERV to sell my Notes?*” Also, see “*Related Matters – Plan of Distribution*” and “*Related Matters – Resale of Notes Through FundSERV*”.

**If I decided to sell my Notes, could I get less than the principal amount of \$100?**

Yes. The price of the Notes in any secondary market which may develop will be set by such market. The Notes could trade above or below the \$100 principal amount per Note.

The price paid to a Noteholder during the first three years following the issue date will reflect a pre-determined Deferred Sales Charge. See below under “*How would I access FundSERV to sell my Notes?*” and “*Related Matters – Resale of Notes Through FundSERV*”.

### **What is FundSERV and why is it relevant to me?**

The Notes are available for purchase through certain dealers and financial advisors that facilitate the acquisition, sale and settlement of Notes through the clearing and settlement service operated by FundSERV. Accordingly, information regarding FundSERV is pertinent for purchasers.

FundSERV is owned and operated by both fund sponsors and distributors and provides distributors of funds and certain other financial products with online order access to such financial products. FundSERV was originally designed and is operated as a mutual fund communications network facilitating members in electronically placing, clearing and settling mutual fund orders and redemptions. In addition, FundSERV is currently used in respect of other financial products that may be sold by dealers and financial advisors. FundSERV enables its participants, among other things, to clear certain financial product transactions between participants, to settle the payment obligations arising from such transactions, and to make other payments between themselves.

Only those dealers and financial advisors that have an effective agreement with Royal Bank and RBC DS concerning the implementation of transactions in relation to Notes through FundSERV will be eligible to deal with Notes on behalf of Noteholders.

Purchasers of Notes should consult their financial advisors to obtain further information regarding FundSERV and the procedures and requirements applicable under the FundSERV system.

### **How will my interests in Notes be represented through FundSERV?**

All Notes will initially be issued in the form of a global Note to be deposited with and registered in the name of CDS or its nominee. Holders of Notes will have an indirect beneficial interest in such global Note. Royal Bank will, directly or indirectly through its CDS participant, hold all of the beneficial interests in the Notes for and on behalf of Noteholders or their representatives, as a custodial agent appointed for the sole purpose of holding such beneficial interests and facilitating certain transactions in respect of the Notes through FundSERV. Royal Bank will appoint RBC DS as its agent (which may delegate its responsibilities, without notice to Noteholders, to, and in reliance upon, third party service providers) to record the respective Noteholders' beneficial interests in the Notes, in each case as may be instructed by the dealers and financial advisors representing such Noteholders in accordance with FundSERV procedures and requirements. Holders of Notes should understand that Royal Bank or RBC DS (or its delegate), as the case may be, will only make such recordings as may be instructed through FundSERV by a Noteholder's dealer or financial advisor and will have no obligation to confirm or take notice of any such instructions, appointments, revocations or any other matters pertaining to a Noteholder's appointment of, or arrangements with, a dealer or financial advisor. See "*Related Matters – Registration*".

### **How will I receive notice of significant events affecting Notes through FundSERV?**

If notice is required to be given to holders of Notes, Royal Bank or RBC DS (or its delegate) will take reasonable steps to effect such notice through FundSERV to those dealers and financial advisors representing clients who hold Notes. Holders of Notes will only have access to such information through dealers and financial advisors through which their Notes are held. We will have no obligation to notify Noteholders, dealers or financial advisors in any other manner and will have no responsibility to confirm whether or not a dealer or financial advisor provides such notice to Noteholders.

### **How would I access FundSERV to sell my Notes?**

Noteholders wishing to sell Notes prior to maturity will be subject to certain procedures, requirements and limitations relating to the FundSERV system described below under "*Related Matters – Resale of Notes Through FundSERV*". Noteholders wishing to sell all or a part of their holdings should consult with their

dealers or financial advisors in advance in order to understand the timing and other procedures, requirements and limitations of selling and otherwise dealing with Notes through the FundSERV system.

**Can I change my dealer or financial advisor for the purpose of holding my Notes?**

A Noteholder should realize that Notes may not be transferable to another dealer or financial advisor. Any transfer would be subject to certain conditions, including that the new dealer or financial advisor would need to have access to the FundSERV system and would have to have an effective agreement with Royal Bank and RBC DS regarding the specific application of the FundSERV procedures to the Notes. If a Noteholder were to replace or transfer his or her investment accounts to another dealer or financial advisor who did not satisfy such conditions, the Noteholder would be required to sell his or her Notes pursuant to the procedures described under “*Related Matters – Resale of Notes Through FundSERV*”.

## PAYMENTS UNDER THE NOTES

The following is a summary description of the basis for the calculation of the amounts payable under the Notes.

### Payments Prior to Maturity – Monthly Coupons

Subject to the occurrence of an Extraordinary Event, a coupon (a “**Monthly Coupon**”), if any, per Note will be payable in Canadian dollars on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month and on the Maturity Date (provided if such day is not a Business Day, then such payment date will be the next Business Day without any additional amount to be payable for such delay in respect of interest or otherwise), commencing on August 15, 2007 and ending on December 15, 2014 (each such Monthly Coupon payment date being a “**Monthly Coupon Payment Date**”). The amount of any particular Monthly Coupon (the “**Monthly Coupon Amount**”) will be equal to 0.42% multiplied by the value of the Equity Account at the close of business on the fifth Exchange Business Day immediately preceding Monthly Coupon Payment Date. If the funds in the Distribution Account are insufficient to pay the Monthly Coupon Amount as of the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day immediately preceding the Monthly Coupon Payment Date, cash will be transferred from the Equity Account (which may require a liquidation of assets in the Equity Account) to the Distribution Account by the Calculation Agent. The value of the Distribution Account at any time is referred to as the “**Distribution Account Value**” or the “**DAV**”). If a Protection Event or Extraordinary Event occurs, the value of all assets in the Equity Account will be re-allocated with the result that thereafter, no Distributions will be credited to the Distribution Account and no further Monthly Coupons will be paid under the Notes.

### Payments on Maturity

A Noteholder’s payment entitlement at maturity per Note (the “**Payment Amount**”) will be calculated by the Calculation Agent based on the following formula:

$$\text{Payment Amount} = \$100 \text{ Principal Amount} + \text{Final Variable Return}$$

Subject to the occurrence of an Extraordinary Event, a final variable return payment (“**Final Variable Return**”), if any, per Note will be payable in Canadian dollars on the Maturity Date in the amount, if any, by which the  $NAV_{\text{Final}}$  exceeds the Principal Amount. The Final Variable Return may be expressed as follows:

$$\text{Final Variable Return} = NAV_{\text{Final}} - \$100$$

Provided that no Final Variable Return will be paid unless  $NAV_{\text{Final}}$  exceeds \$100 but in no event will Final Variable Return be less than zero. If a Protection Event or Extraordinary Event occurs, the Final Variable Return is effectively limited to the amount by which the aggregate par value of the Bonds exceeds \$100.

“ $NAV_{\text{Final}}$ ” is expressed per Note and is equal to the NAV determined on the third Exchange Day prior to the Maturity Date minus the value of the Monthly Coupon paid on the Maturity Date.

### SAMPLE CALCULATIONS

It is impossible to predict the performance of the Notional Portfolio. The examples set out below are included for illustration purposes only. The values of the Equity Account, the Bond Account and the Loan Amount were chosen to demonstrate the calculation of NAV and the effect of the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules and do not include deductions for fees and other administrative costs. All examples of Final Variable Return are calculated per \$100 Principal Amount.

#### **Inception — Calculation of NAV and application of the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules**

Calculation of Initial NAV

a) Equity Account	\$100.000
b) Bond Account	\$0.000
c) Distribution Account	\$0.000
d) Loan Amount	\$5.000
<b>e) NAV (a+b+c-d)</b>	<b>\$95.000</b>

The Initial NAV on the Issue Date is therefore, \$95.00.

Initial asset allocation:

f) Floor*	\$73.500
g) Distance $((e-c-f)/100)$	21.500%
h) Exposure $(a/(e-c))$	105.263%
i) Target Exposure $(g \times 5)$	107.500%

\*To be finalized on the Issue Date.

An Allocation Event has not occurred because the difference between the Target Exposure and the Exposure is within +/- 25%.

**Day 30 — Positive performance of the assets in the Equity Account.** It is assumed that the value of the Equity Account is as illustrated below and that the value of the Floor remains unchanged at \$73.50. The resulting NAV and asset allocation would be calculated as follows:

Calculation of NAV:

a) Equity Account	\$105.263
b) Bond Account	\$0.000
c) Distribution Account	\$1.090
d) Loan Amount	\$5.037
<b>e) NAV (a+b+c-d)</b>	<b>\$101.316</b>

Asset allocation:

f) Floor	\$73.500
g) Distance $((e-c-f)/100)$	26.726%
h) Exposure $(a/(e-c))$	105.026%
i) Target Exposure $(g*5)$	133.630%

An Allocation Event has occurred because the difference between the Target Exposure and the Exposure is greater than +/- 25%. In accordance with the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules, the following re-allocation occurs:

a) Equity Account	\$133.933
b) Bond Account	\$0.000
c) Distribution Account	\$1.090
d) Loan Amount	\$33.707
<b>e) NAV (a+b+c-d)</b>	<b>\$101.316</b>

The result of this re-allocation is that a Noteholder has greater exposure to the Equity Account than if only the initial \$100 Principal Amount was allocated to the Equity Account.

**Day 60— Negative performance of the assets in the Equity Account.** It is assumed that the value of the Equity Account is as illustrated below and the value of the Floor remains unchanged at \$73.50. The resulting NAV and asset allocation would be calculated as follows:

Calculation of NAV:

a) Equity Account	\$113.843
b) Bond Account	\$0.000
c) Distribution Account	\$1.460
d) Loan Amount	\$33.956
<b>e) NAV (a+b+c-d)</b>	<b>\$81.346</b>

Asset allocation:

f) Floor	\$73.500
g) Distance $((e-c-f)/100)$	6.387%
h) Exposure $(a/(e-c))$	142.505%
i) Target Exposure $(g \times 5)$	31.934%

An Allocation Event has occurred because the difference between the Target Exposure and the Exposure is greater than +/- 25%. In accordance with the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules, the following re-allocation occurs:

a) Equity Account	\$25.511
b) Bond Account	\$54.376
c) Distribution Account	\$1.460
d) Loan Amount	\$0.000
<b>e) NAV (a+b+c-d)</b>	<b>\$81.346</b>



The result of this re-allocation is that a Noteholder has less exposure to the Equity Account than if all of the assets in the Notional Portfolio were allocated to the Equity Account.

**Day 90 — Negative performance of the Equity Account resulting in a Protection Event.** It is assumed that the value of the Equity Account is as illustrated below. Note that the value of the Floor has risen to \$73.75. The resulting NAV and asset allocation would be calculated as follows:

Calculation of NAV:

a) Equity Account	\$21.009
b) Bond Account	\$54.561
c) Distribution Account	\$0.278
d) Loan Amount	\$0.000
<b>e) NAV (a+b+c-d)</b>	<b>\$75.847</b>

Asset allocation:

f) Floor	\$73.75
g) Distance $((e-c-f)/100)$	1.819%
h) Exposure $(a/(e-c))$	27.801%
i) Target Exposure $(g \times 5)$	9.099%

Because the Distance has fallen to less than 2%, a Protection Event has occurred, resulting in full liquidation of the Equity Account. In accordance with the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules, the following re-allocation occurs:

a) Equity Account	\$0.00
b) Bond Account	\$75.570
c) Distribution Account	\$0.278
d) Loan Amount	\$0.000
<b>e) NAV (a+b+c-d)</b>	<b>\$75.847</b>

The result of this re-allocation is that a Noteholder has no more exposure to the Equity Account for the remainder of the term of the Notes. Accordingly, after payment of a final Monthly Coupon to distribute the funds left in the Distribution Account, no further Monthly Coupons will be paid. Other than the Principal Amount at maturity, returns at maturity would be reduced or eliminated.

## NOTIONAL PORTFOLIO AND LOAN

The Notional Portfolio is a notional portfolio of assets allocated dynamically over the term of the Notes between the Equity Account, which is an account comprised of units of the Fund and, in certain circumstances, the Bond Account, which is an account comprised of Bonds. The Notional Portfolio is notional and a Noteholder will have no ownership or other interest in the Equity Account or in the Bonds comprising the Notional Portfolio. The Noteholder will be limited to the right to be paid the Monthly Coupons and the Final Variable Return, in each case if any, based on the performance of the Notional Portfolio. For the avoidance of doubt, all actions (e.g., purchases, sales, liquidations, etc.) taken in connection with the Notional Portfolio are notional actions only.

Holdings in the Equity Account may be notionally leveraged through the Loan. The Initial Loan Amount will be \$5 (“**Initial Loan Amount**”). The Loan Amount outstanding at any time may vary and may be increased or decreased depending upon the value of the Equity Account, applicable interest rates, interest payments and other fees payable all in accordance with the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules. See “*Summary Information Regarding the Equity Account*”. Interest on the Loan Amount will notionally accrue at an annual rate equal to the Bank of Canada call loan rate plus 0.25%, calculated daily and payable monthly by draw down of the Loan.

Initially, 100% of the assets of the Notional Portfolio will be allocated to the Equity Account. The Initial Loan Amount will be \$5 and a selling fee of \$5 per \$100 principal amount of each Note will be paid to the selling agents. The initial value of the Equity Account will therefore be \$100 per Note (\$100 Principal Amount - \$5 selling fee + \$5 loan = \$100). The Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules will be applied so that the Exposure will be measured on each Business Day. When an Allocation Event occurs as a result of the Exposure being in excess of 25% in the initial 91 calendar days following the Issue Date, or 5% thereafter, below the Target Exposure, the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules will require a greater exposure to the Equity Account. In that case, the Notional Portfolio may be re-balanced by the inclusion of additional units of the Fund by first selling notional Bonds from the Bond Account until the Bond Account contains no notional Bonds and subsequently drawing down the Loan. When an Allocation Event occurs as a result of the Exposure being in excess of 25% in the initial 91 calendar days following the Issue Date, or 5% thereafter, above the Target Exposure, the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules will require a smaller exposure to the Equity Account. In that case, the Notional Portfolio may be re-balanced with proceeds from the sale of interests in the Equity Account first repaying a portion of any outstanding Loan Amount until the Loan Amount is zero and subsequently purchasing notional Bonds in the Bond Account. See “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules*”.

The Bond Account will be comprised of Bonds. The Bonds are notional obligations that have an implicit yield to maturity equal to the inter-bank swap rate for a term equal to the then remaining term of the Notes and that pay a quarterly coupon at a rate of 0.30% per annum at the time the Bond is purchased. Each Bond in the Bond Account is expected to have a par value of \$100 on the Maturity Date. No Bonds will be purchased on the Issue Date.

All Distributions will be credited to the Distribution Account when paid. The Distribution Account will fund the payment of the Monthly Coupons. If the funds in the Distribution Account are insufficient to pay the Monthly Coupon Amount as of the 5<sup>th</sup> Business Day immediately preceding the Monthly Coupon Payment Date cash will be transferred from the Equity Account (which may require a liquidation of Units in the Equity Account) to the Distribution Account by the Calculation Agent.

### **Portfolio Fee**

The Portfolio Fee will be payable to the Calculation Agent in an amount equal to (i) 2.45% per annum of the average daily value of the Equity Account, plus (ii) 0.30% per annum of the face amount of the Bonds in the Bond Account, in each case, calculated daily and paid quarterly in arrears. In the case of the portion of the Portfolio Fee referenced in (i) above, such portion will be funded from cash attributed to the Equity Account or drawdown of the Loan. In the case of the portion of the Portfolio Fee referenced in (ii) above, such portion will be effectively funded through quarterly coupons payable on the Bonds.

### **Consequences of an Extraordinary Event**

An Extraordinary Event is an event which could have a material adverse impact on our ability to perform our obligations under the Notes or to hedge our position in respect of our obligation to make payments under the Notes, including the events listed under the definition of “Extraordinary Event” under “*Definitions*”.

If one or more Extraordinary Events occur, the composition of the Notional Portfolio will be adjusted to exclude any notional interests in the Equity Account and to consist only of Bonds. If the Notional Portfolio does not include interests in the Equity Account, no Monthly Coupon payments will thereafter be made on the Notes and the Final Variable Return may be reduced or eliminated altogether, even though the Fund may in fact appreciate in value and/or earn a positive return following the occurrence of the Extraordinary Event. If an Extraordinary Event occurs, the \$100 Principal Amount per Note will be paid at the Maturity Date but not earlier. If an Extraordinary Event occurs, the possibility of receiving more than \$100 per Note at maturity is significantly reduced.

## NOTIONAL PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION RULES

The Calculation Agent will allocate assets of the Notional Portfolio between the Equity Account and the Bond Account according to the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules. The Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules have been designed to protect the Principal Amount by re-balancing notional assets in the Equity Account and adjusting the Loan Amount and/or the notional Bonds in the Bond whenever an Allocation Event occurs.

The Calculation Agent will, on each Business Day, calculate the Exposure and the Distance using the formulas set forth below (giving effect to any adjustments that have been executed but not yet settled). An Allocation Event will occur if the absolute value of the difference between the Target Exposure and the Exposure (i) within the initial 91 calendar days from the Issue Date is greater than 25%, and (ii) after the initial 91 calendar days from the Issue Date is greater than 5%. Upon the occurrence of an Allocation Event, the Calculation Agent will re-allocate the assets such that the resulting Exposure would be approximately equal to the Target Exposure as if the transactions for the re-allocation had been completed on the date of calculation.

Initially, the aggregate Principal Amount of the Notes minus the selling fee, plus the Initial Loan Amount will be notionally allocated to the Equity Account. No Bonds will be notionally purchased initially. Thereafter, assets comprising the Notional Portfolio will be allocated between the Equity Account and the Bond Account according to the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules.

### Allocation Formulas

EAV, or Equity Account Value = (i) for use in Allocation Formulas, the value of the Equity Account as of 6:00 pm on the previous Business Day including any cash, minus any accrued and unpaid Portfolio Fees, interest on the Loan (unless otherwise deducted, as in the calculation of NAV<sub>Final</sub>) and other custodial fees for maintenance of the Equity Account, and (ii) for the purposes of actual payments depending on EAV (including NAV<sub>Final</sub>), the total value that would be realized upon disposition of the relevant securities in the Equity Account (expressed pro rata per Note).

For the purposes of calculating the EAV, the Fixed MER will be deducted rather than the actual management expense ratio of the Fund, and no adjustment will be made to reflect any changes to the actual management expense ratio of the Fund which may occur after you make your deposit with us.

BAV, or Bond Account Value = as of 2:00 p.m. on the date of determination, the total value (expressed pro rata per Note) that would be realized upon disposition of the Bonds and cash held in the Bond Account minus accrued and unpaid Portfolio Fees to be paid from the Bond Account.

DAV, or Distribution Account Value = as of 6:00 p.m. on the Business Day prior to the date of determination, the total of the balance of the Distribution Account (expressed pro rata per Note).

NAV, or Net Asset Value = as of the date of determination, the total of (i) the EAV, plus (ii) the BAV, plus (iii) the DAV, minus (iv) the Loan Amount (expressed pro rata per Note)

$$\text{Exposure} = \frac{\text{EAV}}{\text{NAV} - \text{DAV}}$$

Floor = the offer price as of 2:00 p.m. on the date of determination, for a Bond with a face amount equal to \$100.

$$\text{Distance} = \frac{\text{NAV} - \text{DAV} - \text{Floor}}{100}$$

Target Exposure =  $5.0 \times \text{Distance}$ , provided that, if such formula results in an amount in excess of 200%, the Target Exposure will be 200%.

The Loan Amount will be limited to no more than \$105 per \$100 Note and, for the purposes of the Allocation Formulas, will be measured as of the date of determination.

An Allocation Event may occur due to the Exposure being less than the Target Exposure by more than 25% within the initial 91 calendar days from the Issue Date and 5% thereafter. This may occur for a number of reasons including, without limitation, an increase in the market value of the assets in the Equity Account or a rise in the applicable inter-bank swap rate. In this case, the Calculation Agent, acting with reasonable promptness, will, as necessary, re-allocate the value that would be realized upon disposition of Bonds until the amount in the Bond Account is zero and thereafter to the extent available, draw down the Loan and apply the value thereof to additional interests in the Equity Account such that the Exposure will be approximately equal to the Target Exposure as if such notional transactions had been executed on the date of the Allocation Event. This may increase the value of assets held in the Equity Account and/or may decrease the value of assets held in the Bond Account.

Alternately, an Allocation Event may occur due to the Exposure being greater than the Target Exposure by more than 25% within the initial 91 calendar days from the Issue Date and 5% thereafter. This may occur for a number of reasons including, without limitation, a decrease in the market value of the Fund in the Equity Account or a fall in the applicable inter-bank swap rate. In this case, the Calculation Agent, acting with reasonable promptness, will re-allocate the value that would be realized upon disposition of interests in the Equity Account and apply the value first to reduce the Loan Amount until it is zero, and second, re-allocate any remainder of such value to Bonds such that the Exposure will be approximately equal to the Target Exposure as if such notional transactions had been executed on the date of the Allocation Event. This may increase the value of assets held in the Bond Account and/or decrease the value of assets held in the Equity Account.

If the Distance declines to less than or equal to 2%, the value that would be realized upon disposition of all assets in the Equity Account will be re-allocated first to reduce any outstanding Loan Amount and accrued Portfolio Fees, and second to Bonds such that on the Maturity Date, the value of the Bonds per Note is expected to equal at least \$100 per Note. After a Protection Event occurs, the Notional Portfolio will be comprised entirely of Bonds in the Bond Account for the remaining term of the Note.

## SUMMARY INFORMATION REGARDING THE EQUITY ACCOUNT

The Equity Account is notionally comprised of Units of the Fund.

### **The Fund Manager**

AIM Funds Management Inc. is the manager and portfolio advisor of the Fund. AIM Funds Management Inc. is a Canadian investment management company wholly owned by AMVESCAP PLC.

AIM Funds Management Inc. has retained A I M Advisors, Inc., of Houston Texas, another member of the AMVESCAP group of companies, as sub-advisor for the cash portion of the Fund but remains responsible for the investment advice provided by the sub-advisor to that Fund.

### **The Fund**

#### **TRIMARK GLOBAL BALANCED FUND**

#### **Investment Objectives**

Trimark Global Balanced Fund seeks to provide a high total investment return through a combination of income and strong capital growth. The Fund holds a balanced portfolio of equities, convertible and fixed-income securities issued by governments — federal, provincial or municipal — or corporations anywhere in the world. The investment objectives of the Fund cannot be changed without the approval of a majority of the investors at a meeting called to consider the change.

#### **Investment Strategies**

To achieve these objectives, the portfolio management team focuses on a balanced portfolio that emphasizes:

- Common shares of established companies that have the potential for future growth
- Convertible securities of growing companies
- Fixed-income securities issued by governments and corporations anywhere in the world

The Fund may also invest in other financial instruments, such as credit derivatives, that may have economic characteristics similar to floating rate debt instruments.

The Fund may invest the cash portion of its assets in securities of money market funds that are managed by AIM Trimark or one of its affiliates or associates. In making this investment decision, the sub-advisor considers a number of factors, including the Fund's requirement for a Canadian- or U.S.- dollar denominated short-term investment and the yield or return to the Fund. There is no duplication of fees or sales charges between the Fund and any underlying money market fund.

Subject to AIM Trimark obtaining all necessary approvals for exchange-traded futures, the Fund may use derivatives, such as options, forwards and futures to hedge against potential loss. The Fund may also use derivatives for non-hedging purposes in order to invest indirectly in securities or financial markets, to gain exposure to other currencies and to provide protection for the Fund's portfolio. If used for non-hedging purposes, options will represent no more than 10% of the net assets of the Fund. Any use of derivatives will be consistent with the investment objectives of the Fund and will comply with the requirements of Canadian securities regulation, as altered by the exemption granted to permit the Fund to use as cover bonds, debentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness that are liquid, floating rate debt instruments and securities of the AIM Trimark cash management funds. AIM Trimark is also applying to the Canadian securities regulatory authorities for an exemption that, if granted, would provide relief from the term restrictions on interest rate swaps, credit default swaps and currency forwards and would permit the Fund to

use as cover aright or obligation to sell an equivalent quantity of the underlying interest of the standardized future, forward or swap.

In anticipation of or in response to adverse market conditions, for cash management purposes, for defensive purposes or for purposes of a merger or other transaction, the Fund may hold all or a portion of its assets in cash, money market instruments, securities of affiliated money market funds, bonds or other debt securities. As a result, the Fund may not be fully invested in accordance with its investment objectives.

In the management of its portfolio, the Fund may use repurchase and reverse repurchase transactions and may enter into securities lending agreements. These transactions will only be made with parties that are considered to be creditworthy and where the transactions should earn the Fund additional returns.

### Top 10 Holdings

As at March 31, 2007, the total net assets of the Fund were greater than \$1.56 billion. The following table shows the 10 largest holdings of the Fund as of March 31, 2007.

1.	Cemex S.A. de C.V.	2.99%	6.	ING Groep N.V.	2.58%
2.	AMETEK, Inc.	2.93%	7.	Cisco Systems, Inc.	2.54%
3.	Topdanmark A/S	2.82%	8.	Tesco PLC	2.52%
4.	WPP Group PLC	2.73%	9.	Erste Bank der oesterreichischen Sparkassen AG	2.52%
5.	Reed Elsevier PLC	2.58%	10.	Wienerberger AG	2.44%
				Aggregate Percentage of Top 10 holdings: <b>26.65%</b>	

### Past Performance

The following chart contains historical returns (1 month, 3 months, 6 months and 1 year) and annualized compounded returns (2 years, 3 years, 5 years and since inception) as of March 31, 2007 for Series A units and is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, an indication as to the future returns or volatility of the Fund or the potential return, if any, on Deposit Notes.

The following chart assumes that all Distributions on Units of the Fund were reinvested in additional Units of the Fund and does not include any applicable sales, redemption, distribution or optional charges or taxes, which would have reduced returns. Returns are shown after the payment of expenses and fees of the Fund. The performance figures in the chart reflect the payment of the management expense ratio of the Fund for the indicated periods. In contrast, the Equity Account is subject to portfolio fees which may be higher than the management expense ratio of the Fund. As a result of the potential for differing fees, the performance of the Equity Account could have been lower than the past performance figures reflected below.

	1 month	3 month	6 month	1 year	2 years	3 years	5 years	10 years	Life*
Trimark Global Balanced Fund	0.40%	2.44%	14.84%	14.52%	11.53%	8.69%	7.76%	-	10.87%

\*Life numbers reflect performance from the start date (October 1999)

Source: Zephr StyleADVISOR as of March 31, 2007

We have obtained all information regarding the Fund from publicly available sources. Royal Bank has not had access to any information on the Fund other than information set out in publicly filed reports and documents. Moreover, Royal Bank has not had the opportunity, nor does it intend, to verify the accuracy and completeness of any information set out in the public reports and documents or to determine whether the Fund has omitted to disclose any facts, information or events that might have occurred prior to or subsequent

to the date as of which any information contained in the public reports and documents was furnished by the Fund or that may affect the significance or accuracy of any information contained in the public reports and documents that is summarized herein.

**NONE OF THE FUND, THE FUND MANAGER, NOR ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATES ASSUMES ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR LIABILITY WITH RESPECT TO THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF ANY OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS INFORMATION STATEMENT AND THEY MAKE NO REPRESENTATION AS TO THE SOUNDNESS OF PURCHASING THE NOTES. NONE OF THE FUND, THE FUND MANAGER, NOR ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATES SHALL HAVE ANY OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ADMINISTRATION, MARKETING OR TRADING OF THE NOTES.**

### **RISKS RELATING TO THE FUND**

The Monthly Coupon, if any, paid to Noteholders prior to Maturity will be funded by the Distributions, if any, made on the Units by the Fund and, as necessary, the liquidation of assets in the Equity Account. The amount of Final Variable Return, if any, payable on the Notes is based on the performance of the Notional Portfolio which, to the extent that it includes Units, is based on the performance of the Fund. Accordingly, certain risk factors applicable to investors who invest directly in units of the Fund are also applicable to an investment in Notes to the extent that such risk factors could adversely affect the Distributions made by, and the performance of, the Fund.

Such risk factors may include: **equity risk** (in the case of equity investments, factors which may cause the price of the equity investments to rise or fall); **foreign market risk** (in the case of investments in securities sold outside Canada and the U.S., including investments in emerging markets, factors relating to the country or countries in which such securities trade and in which the issuer of such securities operates such as reduced regulation and reporting standards, inadequate investor protections, political or social instability, high taxation or exchange controls); **currency risk** (in the case of investments made in foreign securities, factors relating to an increase in the value of the Canadian dollar relative to the foreign currency); **interest rate risk** (in the case of investments in fixed income instruments, factors which might cause interest rates to rise or fall, since the value of fixed income instruments varies inversely with interest rates); **credit risk** (in the case of debt securities, factors relating to a default by the issuer of the debt in the payment of interest or repayment of the debt when due, an increase in the spread between the interest paid on the issuer's debt securities and debt securities considered to have little associated risk, a downgrade of the debt securities by a credit rating agency and illiquidity or deficiency relating to the assets that the issuer has given as collateral for the debt securities); **derivative risk** (in the case of the use of derivatives by the Fund, the price of the derivative may not accurately reflect the value of the underlying asset, the Fund may not be able to buy or sell a derivative contract due to an illiquid market or an inability to find an acceptable counterparty willing to enter into such contract, exchange restrictions or default by the counterparty to the derivatives contract, the use of derivatives may not be effective and such use may limit potential gains and losses); **repurchase transactions and securities lending risk** (in the case of a repurchase or securities lending transaction, factors relating to the possible bankruptcy of the other party or default by the other party in fulfilling its obligations and a rise in the value of the sold or lent securities leaving the Fund with collateral worth less than the securities it has sold or lent resulting in a loss to the Fund); **reverse repurchase transactions risk** (in the case of a reverse repurchase transaction, factors relating to the possible bankruptcy of the other party or default by the other party in fulfilling its obligations and a drop in the value of the purchased securities leaving the Fund unable to sell the securities at the price it paid plus interest); **series risk** (if the Fund cannot pay the expenses of one series using that series' proportionate share of the Fund's assets it may have to pay those expenses out of the other series' proportionate share of the assets, which could lower the investment return of those other series); **liquidity risk** (in the case of investments in illiquid securities, such investment may rise and fall substantially because the Fund may not be able to sell the security for the value that is used



in calculating the net asset value of the Fund);and **large transaction risk** (if an investor makes a large transaction, the Fund's cash flow may be affected, for example, if an investor redeems a substantial number of shares or units of the Fund, the Fund may be required to sell investments at unfavourable prices to pay for the redemption).

This is not a complete description of the risks applicable to the Fund. A complete description of the risks as they apply to the Fund is contained in the current simplified prospectus of the Fund, which may be obtained at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

### **Fund NAV**

The trading prices of the securities comprising the assets of the Fund from time to time will determine the net asset value of the Fund. Other activities of the Fund may impact the value of the Series A Units of the Fund. See disclosure filed by the Fund, which may be obtained at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). Holders should recognize that it is impossible to know whether the value of the securities comprising the assets of the Fund at any time will rise or fall and whether the investment decisions of the Fund Manager will prove to be successful. Trading prices of the securities comprising the assets of a Fund will be influenced by complex and inter-related political, economic, financial and other factors that can affect the capital markets generally or the equity trading markets on which the securities comprising the assets of the Fund are trading. Investors should familiarize themselves with the basic features of the Series A Units of the Fund, including the general method of calculating the net asset value of the Fund.

## METHOD OF PAYMENT

The Principal Amount, any Monthly Coupon payments and any Final Variable Return payable under the Notes will be made available at our option by RBC DS (or its delegate on our behalf), through FundSERV to dealers and financial advisors with clients who hold Notes. Our responsibility and liability in respect of Notes is limited to making payment of any amount due through RBC DS (or its delegate on our behalf) via FundSERV to dealers and financial advisors with clients who hold Notes.

Royal Bank will, directly or indirectly through its CDS participant, hold all of the beneficial interests in the Notes for and on behalf of Noteholders or their representatives, as a custodial agent appointed for the purpose of holding such beneficial interests and facilitating certain transactions in respect of the Notes through FundSERV. Royal Bank will appoint RBC DS as its agent (who may delegate its responsibilities, without notice to Noteholders, to, and in reliance upon, third party service providers) to record the respective Noteholders' beneficial interests in the Notes, in each case as may be instructed by the dealers and financial advisors representing such Noteholders in accordance with FundSERV procedures and requirements. Noteholders should understand that Royal Bank and RBC DS (or its delegate), as the case may be, will only make such recordings as may be instructed through FundSERV by a Noteholder's dealer or financial advisor and will have no obligation to confirm or take notice of any such instructions, appointments, revocations or any other matters pertaining to, a Noteholder's appointment of, or arrangements with, a dealer or financial advisor. See "*Related Matters – Registration*".

Payments of the Principal Amount, any Monthly Coupons and any Final Variable Return on Notes issued in definitive form (which will only occur in certain exceptional circumstances) will be made by cheque mailed to the Noteholder at the address of the Noteholder appearing in a register which we will maintain or cause to be maintained or, if requested in writing by the Noteholder at least five Business Days before the date of the payment and agreed to by us, by electronic funds transfer to a bank account designated by the Noteholder with a bank in Canada. Final payment under any Note in definitive form is conditional upon the Noteholder first delivering the Note to us.

We reserve the right, in the case of payments of Monthly Coupons, to mark on the Global Note or the Notes, if represented in definitive form, as the case may be, that such amounts have been paid in full and only the Principal Amount and any Final Variable Return remain payable at maturity.

Neither we nor the Paying and Transfer Agent nor CDS (or the Nominee) will be bound to see to the execution of any trust affecting the ownership of any Note or be affected by notice of any equity that may be subsisting with respect to any Note. In relation to Royal Bank's role as custodian in connection with the Notes, we will have no obligation to confirm or take notice of any such instructions, appointments, revocations or any other matters pertaining to a Noteholder's appointment of, or arrangements with, a dealer or financial advisor or any notices given to or through the FundSERV system.

## RELATED MATTERS

The following is a summary of other information relevant to your decision to purchase Notes.

### **Registration**

The Notes will be represented in the form of a fully-registered, book-entry only global note (the "**Global Note**") to be held by or on behalf of CDS in Toronto, Canada as custodian of the Global Note, and registered in the name of CDS in Toronto, Canada or its nominee (the "**Nominee**"), initially CDS & Co. Except in limited circumstances, purchasers of beneficial interests in the Global Note (the "**Noteholders**") will not be entitled to receive Notes in definitive form. Rather, the Notes will be represented in book-entry form only.

Noteholders will have an indirect beneficial interest in the Global Note. Royal Bank will, directly or indirectly through its CDS participant, hold all of the beneficial interests in the Notes for and on behalf of such Noteholders or their representatives, as a custodial agent appointed for the sole purpose of holding such beneficial interests and facilitating certain transactions in respect of the Notes through FundSERV. These arrangements will be provided for in an agreement to be entered into between Royal Bank, as custodian, RBC DS and the dealers or financial advisors who represent Noteholders for the purposes of implementing transactions through the FundSERV system. Royal Bank will appoint RBC DS as its agent to record the respective Noteholders' beneficial interests in the Notes, in each case as may be instructed by the dealers or financial advisors representing such Noteholders in accordance with the FundSERV procedures and requirements. Noteholders should understand that Royal Bank and RBC DS will only make such recordings and process such transactions as may be instructed through FundSERV by a dealer or financial advisor recorded under FundSERV as representing the applicable Noteholder and will have no obligation to confirm or take notice of any instructions, appointments, revocations or any other matters pertaining to the Noteholder's appointment of or arrangements with a dealer or financial advisor purporting to act on his or her behalf or in respect of any notices given to or through the FundSERV system. Transactions involving Notes may only be implemented through FundSERV by dealers or financial advisors that have access to the FundSERV system and have an effective agreement with Royal Bank and RBC DS regarding the specific application of the FundSERV procedures to such transactions. If a Noteholder were to replace or transfer his or her investment accounts to another dealer or financial advisor who did not satisfy such conditions, the Noteholder would be required to sell his or her Notes pursuant to the procedures described under "*Related Matters – Resale of Notes Through FundSERV*".

### **Expenses of the Offering**

The expenses associated with the creation and sale of the Notes will be \$5.00 per Note (or 5.00% of the principal amount), which amount will be paid out of the proceeds of this offering to RBC DS for its services as selling agent and to reimburse it for certain costs incurred by it in connection with the Notes. The selling agent will pay all or a portion of this amount to other qualified selling agents for selling the Notes.

### **Plan of Distribution**

Each Note will be issued at \$100, being 100% of the Principal Amount.

The Notes will be offered from time to time by us through selling agents. We will pay selling agents who sell the Notes an initial selling commission of 5% of the \$100 Principal Amount of any Note sold through such selling agent. We may also sell Notes to a selling agent, acting as principal, for resale to one or more investors at varying prices related to prevailing market prices at the time of such resale to be determined by such selling agent. We also reserve the right to sell Notes to investors directly on our own behalf in those jurisdictions in which we are authorized to do so.

Unless Notes are sold by us to a selling agent acting as principal, no part of any commission paid by us to the selling agent may be reallocated, directly or indirectly, to the purchaser of Notes or to others, and the selling agent will not be entitled to receive any commission from any other party in respect of initial sales of Notes.

Any selling agent may from time to time purchase and sell Notes in the secondary market, but is not obligated to do so. There can be no assurance that there will be a secondary market for the Notes. The offering price and other selling terms for such sales in the secondary market may, from time to time, be varied by the relevant selling agent. See "*Related Matters – Resale of Notes Through FundSERV*".

We will have the sole right to accept offers to purchase Notes and may reject any proposed purchase of Notes in whole or in part. A selling agent will have the right, in its discretion reasonably exercised, without notice to us, to reject any offer to purchase Notes received by it in whole or in part. With respect to a purchase of

Notes, the full aggregate principal amount of the Notes to be purchased must be delivered by the purchaser's dealer or financial advisor through FundSERV no later than three Business Days prior to the Issue Date. We will credit the purchaser of Notes interest accruing on funds so delivered at a rate of 1.75% per annum from and including the last Business Day of the week including the day such funds are received by us, to but excluding the Issue Date. The purchaser will be required to include, in computing its income for the purposes of the Act, the amount of such interest.

Despite delivery of such funds, Royal Bank reserves the right not to accept any offer to purchase Notes. If Notes are not issued to the purchaser for any reason, such funds will be returned forthwith, together with interest at a rate of 1.75% per annum (calculated from and including the first Business Day after such funds are received by us, to but excluding the date on which such funds are returned) to the prospective purchaser's dealer or financial advisors through FundSERV. The purchaser will be required to include, in computing its income for the purposes of the Act, the amount of such interest. In any case, whether or not the Notes are issued, no other interest or other compensation will be paid to the purchaser on such funds or to the dealer or financial advisor representing such purchaser.

The Notes may not be offered or sold in any jurisdiction outside of Canada. Royal Bank and the selling agents require persons into whose possession this Information Statement comes to inform themselves of and observe any and all such restrictions. In particular, the Notes have not been and will not be registered under the *United States Securities Act of 1933*, as amended, and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S under the *United States Securities Act of 1933*.

### **Resale of Notes Through FundSERV**

Noteholders wishing to sell Notes prior to the Maturity Date will be permitted to do so using the procedures established to redeem securities through FundSERV. Such sales will be subject to certain procedures, requirements and limitations relating to the FundSERV system. Noteholders wishing to sell all or a part of their holdings should consult with their dealers or financial advisors in advance in order to understand the timing and other procedures, requirements and limitations of selling through the FundSERV system.

RBC DS may, from time to time, purchase and sell Notes but will not be obliged to do so. RBC DS will have the right, in its sole discretion, to cease to offer to purchase or sell Notes. If RBC DS determines to stop facilitating a secondary market for the Notes, holders of Notes may not be able to resell their Notes through the FundSERV system.

To give effect to a sale of Notes through FundSERV, the dealer or financial advisor for a Noteholder must initiate an irrevocable request to "redeem" the applicable Notes in accordance with the then established procedures of FundSERV. The use of FundSERV's redemption procedures for this purpose is a matter of convenience to give effect to a sale transaction within FundSERV's existing systems and procedures. Despite this terminology, Notes will not be "redeemed", but rather Notes will be sold through these procedures to RBC DS. In turn, RBC DS will be able in its discretion to resell such Notes to other third parties at negotiated prices or to hold them for its own account. Noteholders should be aware that, from time to time, the FundSERV "redemption" procedures required to give effect to any resale of Notes may be suspended for any reason without notice, thus effectively preventing Noteholders from selling their Notes. Potential purchasers requiring liquidity should carefully consider this possibility before purchasing Notes.

Generally, to be effective on a Business Day, a redemption request will need to be initiated by 2:00 p.m. (Toronto time) on that Business Day (or such other time as may be established by FundSERV). Any request received after such time will be deemed to be a request sent and received on the next following Business Day.

A sale of a Note will be effected at a sale price (the “**Net Bid Price**”) equal to (i) the FundSERV “closing price” of a Note as of the close of business on the Business Day on which the order is placed as posted to FundSERV by RBC DS (in its capacity as Calculation Agent) on the following Business Day, minus (ii) any applicable pre-determined reduction amount set out below (similar in concept to a deferred sales charge applied in relation to an early redemption of certain mutual fund securities) (a “**Deferred Sales Charge**”). Accordingly, a Noteholder will not be able to negotiate a sale price for Notes.

A Deferred Sales Charge of up to 6.95% of the \$100 Principal Amount of a Note will be deducted from the amount received by a Noteholder as sales proceeds if the Noteholder sells Notes within three years of the Issue Date. The specific amount of Deferred Sales Charge in relation to a resale transaction will be determined as follows:

<b>If Sold Within the Specified Number of Years from the Issue Date</b>	<b>Deferred Sales Charge</b>
1 Year	6.95%
2 Years	4.65%
3 Years	2.30%
Thereafter	Nil

RBC DS, in its capacity as Calculation Agent, will act as the “fund sponsor” for the purpose of calculating and posting daily a “closing price” in relation to the Notes within FundSERV. The Net Bid Price will represent the price at which RBC DS may offer to purchase Notes from Noteholders in connection with a secondary market transaction. Such price will be determined as of the close of business for the applicable Business Day. There is no guarantee that the Net Bid Price for any day will be the highest possible price available in any secondary market for the Notes, but it will represent a bid price generally available to Noteholders as at the relevant close of business, including clients of RBC DS. The Net Bid Price of a Note at any time will generally be dependent on, among other things, (a) the NAV per Note, (b) the fact that the \$100 Principal Amount of the Note is payable on the Maturity Date regardless of the NAV at maturity, and (c) a number of other interrelated factors, including, without limitation, volatility in the value of the Notional Portfolio, prevailing interest rates and the distribution policies of the Fund. The relationship among these factors is complex and may also be influenced by various political, economic and other factors that can affect the trading price of a Note.

The Noteholder may wish to consult his or her investment advisor on whether it would be more favourable in the circumstances at any time to sell Notes (assuming the availability of a secondary market) or hold Notes until the Maturity Date.

### **Governing Law**

The Notes, and the terms thereof, will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario, Canada, and the federal laws of Canada applicable in Ontario.

### **Further Issuance of Notes**

We reserve the right to issue the Notes in additional tranches and may issue other note obligations, including listed note obligations subject to receipt of necessary approvals. Such other note obligations may have terms substantially similar to the terms of the Notes and may be offered by us concurrently with the offering of this or other tranches of Notes.

### **Notices to Noteholders**

If notice is required to be given to holders of Notes, Royal Bank or RBC DS (or its delegate) shall provide such notice through FundSERV to dealers and financial advisors with clients who hold Notes. Noteholders will have access to such information through dealers and financial advisors through which their Notes are held. We will have no obligation to notify Noteholders, dealers or financial advisors in any other manner.

### **Modifications of the Notes**

The Global Note may be amended without the consent of the Noteholders if in our reasonable opinion the amendment would not materially and adversely affect the rights of the Noteholders. In other cases, the Global Note may be amended if the amendment is approved by a resolution passed by the favourable votes of Noteholders holding Notes representing not less than 66 2/3% of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of the Notes represented for the purpose of considering the resolution. Each Noteholder is entitled to one vote per \$100 of Principal Amount held for the purpose of voting at meetings convened for this purpose. The Notes do not carry the right to vote in any other circumstances.

### **Dealings in the Fund**

We, RBC DS, or any of our affiliates may from time to time, in the course of our respective normal business operations, have dealings in the securities which make up the Fund, and certain of the affiliates of the issuers of those securities, including through the extension of credit to, or investing in, such entities. We will base all such actions on normal commercial criteria in the particular circumstances and we will not take into account the effect, if any, of such actions on the NAV or the amount that may be payable on the Notes or Noteholders' interests generally.

## CANADIAN FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a summary of the principal Canadian federal income tax considerations generally applicable to the acquisition, holding and disposition of Notes by an individual Noteholder who purchases Notes at the time of their issuance, and who, for purposes of the Act and at all relevant times, is a resident of Canada, deals at arm's length with and is not affiliated with, Royal Bank and holds a Note as capital property. This summary applies only to an individual (other than a trust) and does not apply to a Noteholder that is a corporation, partnership, or trust, including a "financial institution" within the meaning of section 142.2 of the Act. This summary is based on the Act and the regulations made under the Act (the "**Regulations**") as in force on the date of this Information Statement, all specific proposals (the "**Proposals**") to amend the Act or Regulations publicly announced by or on behalf of the Minister of Finance (Canada) prior to the date of this Information Statement and the administrative policies and assessing practices of the Canada Revenue Agency ("**CRA**") as made publicly available to it prior to the date of this Information Statement. Except for the Proposals, this summary does not take into account or anticipate any changes to the law or the CRA's administrative policies and assessing practices whether by legislative, governmental or judicial action. Provincial, territorial and foreign income tax considerations are not addressed. **This summary is not intended to constitute, nor should it be relied upon as, tax advice to any particular Noteholder. All Noteholders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to their tax positions and the tax consequences of holding Notes.** In particular, Noteholders should consult their tax advisors as to whether they will hold the Notes as capital property for purposes of the Act, which determination should take into account, among other factors, whether the Notes are acquired with the intention or secondary intention of selling them prior to the Maturity Date, and as to whether the Noteholder is eligible for and should file an irrevocable election under subsection 39(4) of the Act to treat every "Canadian security" owned by the Noteholder, including the Notes, as capital property.

### Monthly Coupons

The Noteholder will be required to include in computing his or her income for a taxation year the Monthly Coupons received in that year to the extent that such amount was not otherwise included in computing the Noteholder's income for that or a preceding taxation year.

On a disposition or deemed disposition of a Note, including payment on the Maturity Date, a Noteholder would generally also be required to include the Monthly Coupon as interest accrued on the Note to the date of disposition to the extent that such amount has not otherwise been included in the Noteholder's income for that or a previous taxation year. Any amount included in the income of a Noteholder as interest as described above would generally be deducted in computing the proceeds of disposition of the Note for the purposes of computing any capital gains or losses described below.

**A Noteholder will be subject to tax with respect to any Monthly Coupons in a manner that is different than if the Noteholder, instead of holding a Note, held an interest in the Fund and received any distributions directly. All Noteholders should consult with their own advisors with respect to the tax consequences to them of holding Notes.**

### Final Variable Return

In the event that the Noteholder holds a Note until Maturity Date, the full amount of the Final Variable Return generally will be included in the Noteholder's income in the Noteholder's taxation year that includes the Maturity Date except to the extent that some part or all of the Final Variable Return has already been included in the Noteholder's income for that or a preceding taxation year.

In certain circumstances, provisions of the Act can deem interest to accrue on a "prescribed debt obligation" (as defined for purposes of the Act). Based in part on an understanding of the CRA's administrative practice,

there should be no deemed accrual of interest on the Notes under these provisions until the Noteholder's taxation year that includes the Maturity Date other than as discussed above with respect to the Monthly Coupon and below with respect to an Extraordinary Event or Protection Event. If the amount of the Final Variable Return becomes limited to a maximum amount as a result of the occurrence of an Extraordinary Event or a Protection Event, a Noteholder would generally be required to include in income for each taxation year, commencing in the taxation year in which the amount of the Final Variable Return becomes so limited, the portion of the Final Variable Return deemed to accrue as interest to the Noteholder to the end of the "anniversary day" in the taxation year, as determined in accordance with the prescribed debt obligation rules, except to the extent that the amount was otherwise included in income for the taxation year or a preceding taxation year.

In certain circumstances, where an investor assigns or otherwise transfers a debt obligation, the amount of interest accrued on the debt obligation to that time, but unpaid, will be excluded from the proceeds of disposition of the obligation and will be required to be included as interest in computing the investor's income for the taxation year in which the transfer occurs, except to the extent that it has been otherwise included in income for that taxation year or a preceding taxation year. Under the terms of the Notes, there should be no amount with respect to the Final Variable Return that will be treated as accrued interest on an assignment or transfer of a Note prior to the Maturity Date, unless there has been an Extraordinary Event or a Protection Event.

### **Disposition of a Note**

Although not free from doubt, a Noteholder who disposes of, or is deemed to dispose of, a Note (other than a disposition by virtue of the repayment of such Note by Royal Bank on the Maturity Date) should realize a capital gain (or capital loss) to the extent that the proceeds of disposition of the Note, less any costs of disposition, exceed (or are exceeded by) the Noteholder's adjusted cost base of the Note at the time of disposition.

One-half of a capital gain realized by a Noteholder must be included in the income of the Noteholder. One-half of a capital loss realized by a Noteholder is deductible against the taxable portion of capital gains realized in the year, in the three preceding years or in subsequent years, subject to the rules in the Act. Capital gains realized by an individual may give rise to a liability for alternative minimum tax.

### **Eligibility for Investment**

The Notes, if issued on the date of this Information Statement, would be qualified investments under the Act for trusts governed by registered retirement savings plans, registered retirement income funds, registered education savings plans and deferred profit sharing plans (other than a deferred profit sharing plan to which payments are made by Royal Bank or a person or partnership with which Royal bank does not deal at arm's length).

### **Non-Resident Withholding Tax**

Any interest paid to non-residents of Canada may be subject to Canadian non-resident withholding taxes. Non-resident Noteholders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to their tax positions and the tax consequences of holding Notes.



## CERTAIN RISK FACTORS

**The Notes provide opportunities but may pose risks. You should carefully consider the risks involved in purchasing Notes before making an investment decision and you should discuss with your advisors the suitability of purchasing Notes in light of your particular investment objectives and after reviewing all available information, including the following:**

***Suitability*** – A purchase of Notes is not suitable for a person looking for a guaranteed rate of return. The Notes will not constitute deposits that are insured under the *Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation Act* (Canada). We make no recommendation as to the suitability of the Notes for your investment purposes.

***No Return May Be Payable*** – It is uncertain how much return, if any, will be payable under the Notes. A Noteholder may only receive the \$100 Principal Amount of a Note on the Maturity Date.

***No Ownership of, or Recourse to, Assets Comprising the Notional Portfolio*** – The Notes will not reflect the return a Noteholder would realize if the Noteholder actually owned the assets comprising the Notional Portfolio. Noteholders will not have, and the Notes will not represent, any direct or indirect ownership interest in the Fund or Bonds or in any notional account. Noteholders will have no recourse to any of the assets comprising the Equity Account or Bond Account.

***Liquidation of Equity Account Assets*** – Apart from the implementation of the notional portfolio allocation rules, some Units in the Equity Account may be liquidated from time to time if there is not enough cash in the Equity Account or Distribution Account to pay fees or the monthly coupon of 0.42% (which is equal to an annualized yield of 5.04%). The annual gross yield of the securities in the Fund as of March 31, 2007 is 3.1%. Liquidation of Units in the Equity Account results in a decrease in value of the Equity Account which, in turn, increases the likelihood of the occurrence of a Protection Event.

***Non-Conventional Notes*** - The Notes are not conventional notes or debt instruments. The Notes do not provide investors with a return or income stream prior to the Maturity Date, or a return at the Maturity Date, calculated using a fixed or floating rate of interest that can be determined prior to the Maturity Date. Noteholders may not have an opportunity to reinvest any income generated by the Notes prior to the Maturity Date nor will they be able, prior to the Maturity Date, to determine the amount of the return, if any, that they will receive on their Notes at the Maturity Date.

***Secondary Market*** – The Notes will not be listed on any stock exchange and there is no assurance that a secondary market for Notes will develop or be sustainable. RBC DS may, from time to time, purchase and sell Notes, but will not be obligated to do so. If RBC DS offers to purchase Notes in connection with a secondary market transaction, there is no assurance that the purchase price will be the highest possible price available in any secondary market for the Notes and, in particular, any purchase price will be reduced by up to 6.95% of the Principal Amount if the Noteholder sells Notes within three years of the Issue Date. The resale price of Notes could be below the \$100 principal amount per Note. The value of the Notes in any secondary market will be affected by a number of complex and inter-related factors.

***FundSERV*** – The Notes will be purchased, settled and otherwise dealt with in accordance with the clearing and settlement procedures and services operated by FundSERV and certain other rules and protocols established with dealers and financial advisors in connection with such services. Only those dealers and financial advisors that have an effective agreement with Royal Bank will be eligible to deal with Notes on behalf of Noteholders.

***Extraordinary Events and Protection Event*** – If one or more Extraordinary Events occur, or if there is a Protection Event, the Notional Portfolio will only consist of Bonds in which case, no further Monthly Coupon payments will be made during the term of the Notes and return on the Maturity Date may be reduced or eliminated altogether, even though the Fund may appreciate in value and/or earn a positive return following the Extraordinary Event or Protection Event.

***Potential Conflicts of Interest*** – We or our subsidiary, RBC DS, may perform functions or engage in activities that could adversely impact the value of the Notes, your ability to resell your Notes or the amount or timing of your receipt of entitlements under the Notes. For example, we and RBC DS may have dealings in one or more of the assets comprising the Notional Portfolio, which dealings will not take into account the effect, if any, on the Noteholders' interests generally. Except in unusual circumstances, we or RBC DS, as the Calculation Agent, will be responsible to determine the amount, if any, of the return payable under the Notes and may exercise judgement and discretion in relation to the functions and activities undertaken in respect of the Notes from time to time. Consequently, potential conflicts between the interests of Noteholders and our interests may arise.

***Dependence on Management*** - The success of the value of the Equity Account depends on the skill and acumen of the management of the Fund Manager. These individuals will not devote all of their time to the business of the Fund. If these individuals should cease to participate in the management of the Fund, the ability to select attractive investments and manage the Fund could be severely impaired. There can be no assurance that: (a) the Fund's investment objectives will be realized; (b) the Fund's investment strategy will prove successful; (c) the distribution policy of the assets in the Fund can be maintained; or (d) the Equity Account can avoid losses. Past performance of the Fund Manager is not indicative of future returns.

***Leverage*** – There may be notionally borrowed money against the Notional Portfolio. The use of borrowed money creates an opportunity for increased exposure to the Equity Account and the potential of an increased return. At the same time, however, borrowing money creates special risks. Although the principal amount of the money notionally borrowed will be fixed, the value of the Equity Account may change during the time a borrowing is outstanding. Since any decline in value of the Equity Account will be borne entirely by the Noteholders (and not by those persons providing the borrowed money), a decline in the value of the Equity Account can lead to an increased allocation to the Bond Account under the Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules.

## DEFINITIONS

The following capitalized terms are used frequently in this Information Statement and have the respective meanings set forth below.

“**Act**” means the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

“**Allocation Event**” means the absolute value of the difference between the Target Exposure and the Exposure (i) within the initial 91 calendar days from the Issue Date is greater than 25%, and (ii) after the initial 91 calendar days from the Issue Date is greater than 5%.

“**BAV**” or “**Bond Account Value**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules – Allocation Formulas*”.

“**Bond**” means a notional obligation with an implicit yield to maturity equal to the inter-bank swap rate for a term equal to the term of the Notes at the time the Bond is purchased.

“**Bond Account**” means the notional bond account that makes up part of the Notional Portfolio.

“**Business Day**” means a day on which commercial banks are open for business and able to effect transactions in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits in Toronto, Canada and a day on which book-entry transfers may be effected through CDS. If any date on which any action is otherwise required to be taken in respect of the Notes is not a Business Day, the date on which such action shall be taken shall, except as otherwise indicated, be the next following Business Day and, if the action involves payment of any amount, no interest or other compensation shall be paid as a result of any such delay.

“**Calculation Agent**” means the calculation agent for the Notes appointed by Royal Bank from time to time. The Calculation Agent initially will be RBC Dominion Securities Inc., whose address is P.O. Box 50, Royal Bank Plaza, 2nd Floor, South Tower, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5J 2W7; Attention: Global Equity Derivatives.

“**CRA**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations*”.

“**CDIC**” means Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation.

“**CDS**” means The Canadian Depository for Securities Limited, and its successors.

“**DAV**” or “**Distribution Account Value**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules – Allocation Formulas*”.

“**Deferred Sales Charge**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Related Matters – Resale of Notes Through FundSERV*”.

“**Distance**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules – Allocation Formulas*”.

“**Distribution Account**” means the notional account that will, from time to time, notionally hold Distributions and cash to make up the Monthly Coupon Amount.

“**Distributions**” means all cash dividends and other cash distributions paid in respect of settled Units in the Equity Account on the record date.

“**EAV**” or “**Equity Account Value**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules – Allocation Formulas*”.

“**Equity Account**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Summary*”.

“**Exchange Day**” means, in respect of the Fund, a day which is (or, but for the occurrence of an Extraordinary Event, would have been) a trading day on the exchange for the securities of the companies comprising such Fund or related contracts, options or instruments, other than a day on which trading on such an exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular closing time.

“**Exposure**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules – Allocation Formulas*”.

“**Extraordinary Event**” means any event, circumstance or cause which Royal Bank determines, in its sole discretion, has or will have a material adverse effect on the ability of Royal Bank to perform its obligations under the Notes or to hedge its position in respect of its obligation to make payment of amounts owing thereunder. More specifically, Extraordinary Events in respect of the Notional Portfolio will include the following events to the extent that they have such effect and occur after the Issue Date and prior to the Maturity Date:

- (a) any suspension of or limitation on trading in securities that comprise 20% or more of the Fund or a general limitation on prices for such securities on any relevant exchange;
- (b) the investment strategies and focus of the Fund change in any material respect after the Issue Date;
- (c) the currency denomination of any of the securities comprising the Notional Portfolio or the Fund is changed so that its net asset value is no longer calculated in Canadian dollars;
- (d) the Fund fails for reasons other than those of a technical or operational nature to calculate the net asset value of any securities that comprise the Fund for five consecutive Business Days;
- (e) the activities of the Fund Manager are under investigation by applicable regulators for reasons of material wrongdoing or material breach of any rule or regulation;
- (f) subscriptions or redemptions of securities comprising the Notional Portfolio have been suspended for such length of time as will materially affect the ability of Royal Bank to hedge its liabilities in respect of the Notes or such subscriptions are no longer available to Royal Bank;
- (g) the enactment, publication, decree or other promulgation of any statute, regulation, rule or order of any court or other government authority which would make it unlawful or impracticable for Royal Bank to perform its obligations under the Notes or for dealers to execute, maintain or modify a hedge in a position in respect of the Fund;
- (h) a material fee is added to the management fee, subscription price or redemption price of the securities comprising the Notional Portfolio;
- (i) the taking of any action by any governmental, administrative, legislative or judicial authority or power of Canada or the United States of America or any political subdivision of Canada or the United States of America which has a material adverse effect on the financial markets thereof; or
- (j) any outbreak or escalation of hostilities or other national or international calamity or crisis (including, without limitation, natural calamities) which has or would have a material adverse effect on the ability of Royal Bank to perform its obligations under the Notes or of a dealer to execute,

maintain or modify a hedge of a position with respect to the Fund or a material and adverse effect on the economy of Canada or the United States of America or the trading of securities, contracts or other instruments generally on relevant exchanges.

For the purpose of determining whether an Extraordinary Event exists at any time, a limitation on the hours or number of days of trading shall not constitute an Extraordinary Event if it results from an announced change in the regular business hours of a relevant exchange, and an “absence” or “limitation on trading” of or on such exchange will not include any time when such exchange itself is closed for trading under ordinary circumstances.

“**Final Variable Return**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Payments Under the Notes – Payments on Maturity*”.

“**Fixed MER**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Summary*”.

“**Floor**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules – Allocation Formulas*”.

“**Global Note**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Related Matters – Registration*”.

“**Initial Loan Amount**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Notional Portfolio and Loan*”.

“**Issue Date**” means on or about July 5, 2007.

“**Loan**” means a notional loan that may, from time to time, be drawn down to increase the notional investment in the Notional Portfolio.

“**Loan Amount**” means, at any time, the total of the outstanding principal amount of the Loan, plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon at that time (expressed pro rata per Note).

“**Maturity Date**” means on or about January 5, 2015.

“**Monthly Coupon**” has the meaning given to it under “*Payments Under the Notes – Payments Prior to Maturity-Monthly Coupons*”.

“**Monthly Coupon Amount**” has the meaning given to it under “*Summary*”.

“**Monthly Coupon Payment Date**” has the meaning given to it under “*Payments Under the Notes – Payments Prior to Maturity-Monthly Coupons*”.

“**NAV**”, or “**Net Asset Value**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules – Allocation Formulas*”.

“**NAV<sub>Final</sub>**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Payments Under the Notes*”.

“**Net Bid Price**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Related Matters – Resale of Notes Through FundSERV*”.

“**Nominee**” means the nominee appointed from time to time by CDS, initially CDS & Co.

“**Note**” and “**Notes**” have the meanings attributed thereto under “*Summary*”.

“**Noteholder**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Related Matters – Registration*”.

“**Notional Portfolio**” means a notional portfolio of investments consisting of the Equity Account, Bond Account and any synthetic exposure.

“**Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Notional Portfolio Allocation Rules*”.

“**Paying and Transfer Agent**” means the paying and transfer agent for the Notes appointed by us from time to time. The Paying and Transfer Agent will initially be RBC Dominion Securities Inc. whose address is P.O. Box 50, Royal Bank Plaza, 6th Floor, South Tower, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5J 2W7; Attention: National Operations.

“**Payment Amount**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Payments Under the Notes—Payments on Maturity*”.

“**Portfolio Fee**” means a fee equal to 2.45% per annum of the daily value of the Equity Account, calculated by the Calculation Agent on a daily basis and paid quarterly in arrears.

“**Proposals**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations*”.

“**Protection Event**” means that the Distance declines to less than or equal to 2%.

“**RBC DS**” means RBC Dominion Securities Inc. and its successors and assigns.

“**Regulations**” has the meaning attributed thereto under “*Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations*”.

“**Royal Bank**” means Royal Bank of Canada and its successors and assigns.

“**The Fund**” means the Trimark Global Balanced Fund managed by the Fund Manager.

“**The Fund Manager**” means AIM Funds Management Inc., the manager of the Fund.

“**Units**” has the meaning given to it under “*Summary*”.