# How Your Green Century Investments Curb Climate Change









#### THROUGH DIRECT INVESTMENTS

- Fossil Fuel Free Investing. Green Century does not invest in coal, oil and gas corporations, which make up the industry that has driven global warming more than any other.
- Sustainable Reinvestment. The Funds invest in companies that make products that reduce dirty energy use and carbon pollution. For example, both the Green Century Equity Fund and Balanced Fund invest in Johnson Controls,\* which retrofits commercial office buildings with hybrid solar cells that collect 75% of solar energy to cool and power the building.
- **Low Carbon Footprint.** The Green Century Balanced Fund was the first U.S. mutual fund to measure its carbon footprint, and in a recently updated report was found to be nearly 50% less carbon intensive than the S&P 500®.†

#### THROUGH ADVOCATING FOR SENSIBLE POLICY SOLUTIONS

- Green Century leverages its clout as a shareholder to press top U.S. companies to reduce their carbon emissions by making their supply chain more sustainable. For example, in 2014, Green Century persuaded Kellogg's,\* ConAgra\* and IM Smucker\* to reduce carbon pollution – the companies agreed to stop buying palm oil that was grown on plantations created by burning rainforests.
- Green Century has also worked with companies to set and meet overall greenhouse gas reduction goals, such as by convincing Pepsi\* to change to a more fuel efficient delivery truck fleet.

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## THROUGH SUPPORTING NON-PROFIT ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS

- Unique Ownership. Green Century Capital Management is the only mutual fund company founded and owned by environmental advocacy organizations. That means that all the net profits that Green Century earns on the management of the Green Century Funds belong to its founders, the Public Interest Research Groups (PIRGs), which are part of the Public Interest Network, that also includes Environmental Action and Environment America.
- National Policy Impact. This year, Environment America and our allies submitted more than 4 million public comments to the EPA, and garnered support from more than 600 local elected officials and hundreds of small business owners in support of EPA-proposed Clean Power Plan that will finally limit carbon pollution from power plants.



#### To learn more:

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\* As of June 30, 2014, Johnson Controls, Inc., The Kellogg Company, The JM Smucker Company, and PepsiCo, Inc. comprised 2.19% and .0.49%; 0.00% and 0.26%; 1.24% and 0.16%; and 0.00% and 2.09% of the Green Century Balanced Fund and the Green Century Equity Fund, respectively. Other securities mentioned were not held in the portfolios as of June 30, 2014. References to specific securities, which will change due to ongoing management of the Funds, should not be construed as a recommendation by the Funds, their administrator, or their distributor.

† The S&P 500® Index is an unmanaged index of 500 selected common stocks, most of which are listed on the New York Stock Exchange. The S&P 500® Index is heavily weighted toward stocks with large market capitalization and represents approximately two-thirds of the total market value of all domestic stocks. It is not possible to invest directly in the S&P 500® Index.

Stocks will fluctuate in response to factors that may affect a single company, industry, sector, or the market as a whole and may perform worse than the market. Bonds are subject to risks including interest rate, credit, and inflation. The Funds' environmental criteria limit the investments available to the Funds compared to mutual funds that do not use environmental criteria.

The information has been prepared from sources believed to be reliable. The views expressed are as of the date of this writing and are those of the Advisor to the Funds.

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