## U.S. EQUITY CUMULATIVE DIVIDENDS FUND—SERIES 2027 ("IDIV") CUSIP #: 59140L100

## QUALIFIED NOTICE WITHHOLDING INFORMATION PURSUANT TO U.S. TREASURY REGULATION §1.1446-4 ANALYSIS OF DISTRIBUTION MADE ON December 1, 2020

Declaration Date:

Ex-Date:

November 25, 2020

November 27, 2020

November 30, 2020

Payment Date:

December 1, 2020

U.S. \$0.1375

## **Qualified Notice and Withholding Information for Withholding Agents:**

In accordance with IRS regulation section 1.1446-4, this is a Qualified Notice with respect to the distribution of \$0.1375 per share declared by U.S. Equity Cumulative Dividends Fund—Series 2027 on November 25, 2020, and payable on December 1, 2020, to record holders as of November 30, 2020.

As of the date of this notice, our estimate of the distribution's components is as follows:

- None (0%) of the distribution is U.S. Dividend Income subject to withholding under Section 1441 of the Internal Revenue Code; and
- The entire distribution (100%) should be treated as a return of a Shareholder's tax basis (not less than zero) and should not be subject to withholding.

Shareholders should expect to be allocated an amount of Federally taxable income attributable to the U.S. Treasury Securities and cash held by the Fund. This income qualifies for the "portfolio interest exception" which generally exempts a non-U.S. shareholder from U.S. withholding on interest income with regard to a debt obligation that is in "registered form" as defined in the Internal Revenue Code.

Further, shareholders should expect to receive an allocation of Sec. 1256 Gains and Losses from the futures contracts held by the Fund. However, because the Fund is not engaged in a U.S. trade or business and does not generate Effectively Connected Income, the Fund's income, including gains and losses, is generally not subject to withholding.

In computing U.S. federal taxable income, investors should not rely on this Qualified Notice, but should consider their allocable share of the Fund's taxable income as reported on Schedule K-1.

The distributions of the fund are not a taxable dividend but are generally treated as a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

INVESTORS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS. THIS INFORMATION IS NOT TAX ADVICE.