

# NOTICE

TO DIAPASON-EQUITY PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

**Have any questions?** Please see the accompanying Q&A document.

## Re: Termination of the Diapason-Equity Portfolio asset allocation program

Desjardins Investments Inc. ("DI"), the manager of the Desjardins Funds, regularly improves its investment product line to adapt to the latest developments within constantly evolving markets, and this in the investors' best interests. Over the past few years, DI has modified the structure of its asset allocation program ("AAP") portfolios (or investment solutions) to that of a fund of funds.

Adopting a fund of funds structure allows the portfolio allocation to be improved more quickly and efficiently to match market movements and provide greater risk-adjusted performance potential (see attached insert for more details).

Consequently, as of January 27, 2017, DI will terminate its AAP for the Diapason-Equity Portfolios (hereafter the "AAP Diapason Portfolios") held in registered (REG) and non-registered (NREG) accounts.

### Nature and impact of this change

The investor agreement under which AAP Diapason Portfolios are offered will be terminated as of January 27, 2017.

This change will not affect the securities of the Desjardins Funds you currently hold and will **not have any tax impact**.

However, as of that date, you will no longer enjoy certain benefits linked to AAP Diapason Portfolios, such as the regular rebalancing of the portfolio's securities and management fee rebates, when applicable.

### Which portfolio(s) is(are) affected by this change?

Here is(are) the AAP Diapason Portfolio(s) you currently hold\*:

Diapason Portfolio Secure Market	Diapason Retirement Portfolio B Customized Income	Diapason Retirement Portfolio B Income (T-Class)
Diapason Portfolio Balanced Income	Diapason Retirement Portfolio C Customized Income	Diapason Retirement Portfolio C Income (T-Class)
Diapason Portfolio Balanced Growth	Diapason Retirement Portfolio D Customized Income	Diapason Retirement Portfolio D Income (T-Class)
Diapason Portfolio Growth	Diapason Retirement Portfolio E Customized Income	Diapason Retirement Portfolio E Income (T-Class)
Diapason Portfolio High Growth	Diapason Retirement Portfolio F Customized Income	Diapason Retirement Portfolio F Income (T-Class)
Diapason Portfolio Maximum Growth	Diapason Retirement Portfolio G Customized Income	Diapason Retirement Portfolio G Income (T-Class)

\* List based on available data on the date hereof. DI will take into account any changes made to your AAP Diapason Portfolio(s) holdings after this notice.

### Payment of management fee rebates

If the AAP Diapason Portfolio(s) you hold is(are) eligible for management fee rebates, you will receive the last payment of the said rebates on January 27, 2017, or on the asset allocation program's termination date. Said rebates will be paid out as units of Desjardins Funds.

### Your options:

- 1. You may transfer your assets to any of our investment solutions at no charge:** This option will allow you to continue enjoying the same benefits and services associated with the AAP Diapason Portfolios, such as automatic rebalancing and management fee rebates, when applicable. Moreover, you will continue to benefit from our portfolio managers' expertise and optimal diversification, all in a single investment. Your representative will help you select a beneficial solution for transferring your investment, based on your financial needs and investor profile. Also, if your investment is held in:
  - a) a **registered account (REG)**, your representative will help you select an option, and this transfer will not have any tax impact (see attached insert for more details);
  - b) a **non-registered account (NREG)**, your representative will help you select an option, while taking into account the tax strategy to be implemented (see attached insert for more details);
- 2. You can keep your Desjardins Fund units:** This option will enable you to keep individual Desjardins Funds you already hold in your AAP Diapason Portfolio. This means you will no longer benefit from automatic rebalancing or management fee rebates, which are normally available through portfolios. Moreover, you will need to meet with your representative soon so that he or she may:
  - check that your risk tolerance level is respected and review the funds you currently hold, if applicable;
  - help you if you want to change your periodic payment plans, if needed;
  - rebalance your portfolio on a regular basis.

### Questions?

Please see the accompanying Q&A document for more details. We also invite you to contact your representative to confirm the option that best suits your needs, either by phone at the number below or through your AccesD e-mail:

You may also call 1 800 CAISSES (224-7737), option 4, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

*This notice is given to you in accordance with the terms of the AAP Diapason Portfolio investor agreement you received when you became a participant, which agreement stipulates that termination of the program may only be implemented at the end of a prior notice of at least thirty (30) days to be sent to the unitholders of the Funds.*

*If you no longer hold any AAP Diapason Portfolios, please disregard this notice.*

Dated November 2, 2016

**DESJARDINS INVESTMENTS INC.**