

EVERGREEN UTILITIES & HIGH INCOME FUND  
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## **Second Request: Your Vote Is Important**

Dear Valued Shareholder,

Your opportunity to vote on the important changes to your Evergreen Fund is just weeks away, and it's critical that we hear from you. That is why we are asking you to exercise your right as a shareholder by voting your proxy. The Shareholder Meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2010.

If you have responded already, thank you for your time.

The proxy package you recently received outlines the proposed changes that, pending the approval of thousands of shareholders like you, are part of the continuing integration of the mutual fund families of the Evergreen Funds and the *Wells Fargo Advantage Funds*<sup>®</sup>. These changes were designed to transition the oversight and investment management responsibilities for the Evergreen Closed End Funds to Wells Fargo Funds Management, LLC. Your proxy package contains information about the specific proposals impacting the fund you own.

**Once you've made a decision, the voting process takes only a few moments. Please review the instructions on the enclosed proxy card.**

There are four easy ways to vote:

**By touch-tone phone:** Dial the toll-free number on your proxy card and follow the simple instructions.

**Online:** Log on to the website listed on your proxy card. You will need the control number found on the proxy card to log in.

**By mail:** Sign, date, and mail your proxy card in the postage-paid envelope provided in your proxy package.

**At the shareholder meeting:** You may attend the shareholder meeting and vote in person. Details are in your proxy package.

For more information about the fund family integration or the voting process, visit [www.evergreeninvestments.com/vote](http://www.evergreeninvestments.com/vote). For questions regarding the proposals, or to request duplicate materials, please contact one of our proxy specialists toll-free at 1-866-641-4254, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., Eastern Time.

Thank you. Your prompt response is greatly appreciated—it will eliminate the need for future calls and follow-up letters on this topic.

Sincerely,

W. Douglas Munn  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Evergreen Funds