



NEI Announces Positive Results of Unitholder Vote

Toronto, Ontario – October 23, 2024 – As announced on [August 8, 2024](#), NEI Investments (“NEI”) proposed a change to streamline its investment fund lineup by merging [NEI U.S. Dividend Fund](#) into [NEI U.S. Equity RS Fund](#) (the “Merger”). Today, NEI received the required unitholder approval to proceed with the merger at a meeting of unitholders of NEI U.S. Dividend Fund.

NEI U.S. Dividend Fund was closed to new and subsequent purchases as of 4:00PM Eastern Time on October 23, 2024.

The merger will be completed on or about November 15, 2024, and NEI U.S. Dividend Fund will be terminated as will the sub-advisor agreement between NEI Investments and River Road Asset Management LLC to manage NEI U.S. Dividend Fund. There will be no change to NEI U.S. Equity RS Fund’s sub-advisor, risk rating, distribution policies, or series availability as a result of the merger.

| Terminating Fund | Continuing Fund |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| NEI U.S. Dividend Fund | NEI U.S. Equity RS Fund |

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