

# Seligman Portfolios, Inc.

Seligman Global Technology Portfolio  
Class 2 Shares

Investing Around the World for Long-Term Capital Appreciation

As with all mutual funds, the Securities and Exchange Commission has neither approved nor disapproved this Fund, and it has not determined this Prospectus to be accurate or adequate. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

An investment in this Fund or any other fund cannot provide a complete investment program. The suitability of an investment in the Portfolio should be considered based on the investment objective, strategies and risks described in this Prospectus, considered in light of all of the other investments in your portfolio, as well as your risk tolerance, financial goals and time horizons. We recommend that you consult an authorized dealer or your financial advisor to determine if this Portfolio is suitable for you.

Not FDIC Insured ■ May Lose Value ■ No Bank Guarantee

SELIGMAN  INVESTMENTS

# Table of Contents

## The Fund and the Portfolio

<i>Overview of the Fund</i> .....	1
<i>Investment Objective</i> .....	1
<i>Principal Investment Strategies</i> .....	1
<i>Principal Risks</i> .....	2
<i>Portfolio Holdings</i> .....	3
<i>Past Performance</i> .....	4
<i>Fees and Expenses</i> .....	5
<i>Management of the Fund</i> .....	5

## Shareholder Information

<i>Pricing and Valuing of Fund Shares</i> .....	8
<i>How to Purchase and Sell Shares</i> .....	8
<i>Shareholder Servicing and Distribution Arrangements</i> .....	9
<i>Market Timing</i> .....	9
<i>Dividends and Capital Gain Distributions</i> .....	9
<i>Taxes</i> .....	9
<i>Other Information</i> .....	9

<b>Financial Highlights</b> .....	12
-----------------------------------	----

<b>For More Information</b> .....	back cover
-----------------------------------	------------

Effective November 7, 2008, RiverSource Investments, LLC (“RiverSource Investments” or the “investment manager”), investment manager to the RiverSource Family of Funds, and a wholly owned subsidiary of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. (“Ameriprise Financial”), completed its acquisition (the “Acquisition”) of J. &W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated (“Seligman”). With the Acquisition completed and shareholders of each of the Portfolios offered herein having previously approved (at a special meeting held on November 3, 2008) a new investment management services agreement between RiverSource Investments and the Seligman Portfolios, Inc. (the “Fund”) (on behalf of each Portfolio), RiverSource Investments is the new investment manager of the Fund (and each of its Portfolios), effective November 7, 2008.

## ***RiverSource Family of Funds***

The RiverSource Family of Funds includes a comprehensive array of funds from RiverSource Investments, including the Seligman funds. RiverSource Investments has also partnered with a number of professional investment managers, including its affiliate, Threadneedle Investments, to expand the array of funds offered in the RiverSource Family of Funds. The Fund shares the same Board of Directors as the other funds in the RiverSource Family of Funds.

# The Fund and the Portfolio

## Overview of the Fund

Seligman Portfolios, Inc. (the “Fund”) consists of 9 separate portfolios. This Prospectus contains information about Seligman Global Technology Portfolio (the “Portfolio”).

The Portfolio is offering its shares to separate accounts (“Accounts”) of participating insurance companies to fund benefits of variable annuity and variable life insurance contracts (“Contracts”). The Accounts may invest in shares of the Portfolio in accordance with allocation instructions received from the owners of the Contracts. Such allocation rights and information on how to purchase or surrender a Contract, as well as sales charges and other expenses imposed by the Contracts on their owners, are further described in the separate prospectuses and disclosure documents issued by the participating insurance companies and accompanying this Prospectus. The Fund reserves the right to reject any order for the purchase of shares of the Portfolio. Subject to approval of the Fund’s Board of Directors, the Fund’s portfolios may be offered to retirement plans.

The Portfolio offers two classes of shares: Class 1 shares and Class 2 shares. This Prospectus offers only Class 2 shares and is for use with Accounts that make Class 2 shares available to Contract owners.

In addition to this Prospectus, the Fund makes available a Class 1 prospectus containing information about each of the Fund’s 9 separate portfolios, a separate Class 1 prospectus for each of the Portfolio, Seligman Communications and Information Portfolio, and Seligman Smaller-Cap Value Portfolio, and a separate Class 2 prospectus for each of Seligman Capital Portfolio, Seligman Communications and Information Portfolio, and Seligman Smaller-Cap Value Portfolio.

## Investment Objective

The Portfolio’s investment objective is long-term capital appreciation.

## Principal Investment Strategies

The Portfolio uses the following principal investment strategies to seek its investment objective:

### Technology:

The use of science to create new products and services. The industry comprises information technology and communications, as well as medical, environmental and biotechnology.

The Portfolio generally invests at least 80% of its net assets in equity securities of US and non-US companies with business operations in technology and technology-related industries.

Under normal market conditions, the Portfolio generally will invest at least 40% of its net assets in companies that maintain their

principal place of business or conduct their principal business activities outside the US, have their securities principally traded on non-US exchanges or have been formed under the laws of non-US countries. The investment manager may reduce this 40% minimum investment

amount to 30% if it believes that market conditions for these types of companies or specific foreign markets are unfavorable. The Portfolio considers a company to conduct its principal business activities outside the US if it derives at least 50% of its revenue from business outside the US or has at least 50% of its assets outside the US.

The Portfolio may invest in companies domiciled in any country. The Portfolio generally invests in several countries in different geographic regions.

The Portfolio may invest in companies of any size. Securities of large companies that are well established in the world technology market can be expected to grow with the market and will frequently be held by the Portfolio. However, rapidly changing technologies and expansion of technology and technology-related industries often provide a favorable environment for small to medium-sized companies, and the Portfolio may invest in these companies as well.

The investment manager seeks to identify those technology companies that it believes have the greatest prospects for future growth, no matter what their country of origin. The Portfolio combines in-depth research into individual companies with macro analysis. The investment manager looks for attractive technology companies around the world, while seeking to identify particularly strong technology sectors and/or factors within regions or specific countries that may affect investment opportunities. In selecting individual securities, the investment manager looks for companies it believes display one or more of the following:

- Robust growth prospects
- High profit margins
- Attractive valuation relative to earnings forecasts or other valuation criteria (e.g., return on equity)
- Quality management and equity ownership by executives
- Unique competitive advantages (e.g., market share, proprietary products)
- Potential for improvement in overall operations

The Portfolio generally sells a stock if its target price is reached, its earnings are disappointing, its revenue growth slows, or its underlying fundamentals deteriorate.

The Portfolio may invest in all types of securities, many of which will be denominated in currencies other than the US dollar. Although the Portfolio normally invests in equity securities, the Portfolio may invest up to 20% of its assets in preferred stock and investment grade or comparable quality debt securities. The Portfolio may also invest in depositary receipts, which are publicly traded instruments generally issued by US or foreign banks or trust companies that represent securities of foreign issuers.

The Portfolio may invest up to 15% of its assets in illiquid securities (i.e., securities that cannot be readily sold), and may from time to time enter into forward foreign currency

exchange contracts in an attempt to manage the risk of adverse changes in currencies. The Portfolio may also purchase put options in an attempt to hedge against a decline in the price of securities it holds. A put option gives the Portfolio the right to sell an underlying security at a particular price during a fixed period.

The Portfolio may invest in futures contracts. The Portfolio intends to comply with Rule 4.5 of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), under which a mutual fund is exempt from the definition of a “commodity pool operator.” The Portfolio, therefore, is not subject to registration or regulation as a pool operator, meaning that the Portfolio may invest in futures contracts without registering with the CFTC.

The Portfolio may also invest up to 10% of its assets in exchange-traded funds (“ETFs”). ETFs are traded, like individual stocks, on an exchange, but they represent baskets of securities that seek to track the performance of certain indices. The indices include not only broad-market indices but more specific indices as well, including those relating to particular sectors, countries and regions. The Portfolio may invest in ETFs for short-term cash management purposes or as part of its overall investment strategy.

The Portfolio may, from time to time, take temporary defensive positions that are inconsistent with its principal strategies in seeking to minimize extreme volatility caused by adverse market, economic, political, or other conditions. This could prevent the Portfolio from achieving its objective.

The Portfolio’s investment objective and any fundamental policies may be changed only with shareholder approval. If a change of objective or any fundamental policies is proposed, Contract owners will be asked to give voting instructions to the participating insurance companies. The principal investment strategies may be changed without shareholder approval. Any changes to these strategies, however, must be approved by the Fund’s Board of Directors. Shareholders will be provided with at least 60 days prior written notice of any change to the investment policy of “80%” described in the second paragraph above under this section, “**Principal Investment Strategies.**”

There is no guarantee that the Portfolio will achieve its objective.

### **Principal Risks**

Stock prices fluctuate. Therefore, as with any portfolio that invests in stocks, the Portfolio’s net asset value will fluctuate. You may experience a decline in the value of your investment and you could lose money if you sell your shares at a price lower than you paid for them.

The Portfolio is actively managed and its performance therefore will reflect in part the ability of the portfolio manager to select securities and to make investment decisions that are suited to achieving the Portfolio’s investment objectives. Due to its active management, the Portfolio could underperform other mutual funds with similar investment objectives.

Foreign securities, illiquid securities and derivatives (including options and futures contracts) in the Portfolio’s investment portfolio involve higher risk and may subject the Portfolio to higher price volatility. Investing in securities of foreign issuers involves risks not associated with US investments, including currency fluctuations, local withholding and other taxes, different financial reporting practices and regulatory standards, high costs of trading and changes in political conditions, expropriation, investment and repatriation restrictions, and settlement and custody risks. Option transactions can involve a high degree of risk, including the possibility of a total loss of the amount invested or more. When options are purchased in the over-the-counter markets, there are additional risks, such as counterparty and liquidity risks. Derivative instruments can present investment risk to the Portfolio if the investment manager does not accurately predict the fluctuations in interest rates, currency values or the market to which the financial instrument is tied.

Stocks of companies in the technology sector, like those in which the Portfolio may invest, periodically experience periods of volatile performance. During periods of volatility, the value of technology stocks may decline.

The Portfolio may be susceptible to factors affecting technology and technology-related industries and the Portfolio’s net asset value may fluctuate more than a portfolio that invests in a wider range of industries. Technology companies are often smaller and less experienced companies and may be subject to greater risks than larger companies, such as limited product lines, markets, and financial and managerial resources. These risks may be heightened for technology companies in foreign markets.

The Portfolio seeks to limit risk by diversifying its investments among different sectors within the technology industry, as well as among different countries. Diversification reduces the effect the performance of any one sector or events in any one country will have on the Portfolio’s entire investment portfolio. However, a decline in the value of one of the Portfolio’s investments may offset potential gains from other investments.

The Portfolio may be negatively affected by the broad investment environment in the international or US securities markets, which is influenced by, among other things, interest rates, inflation, politics, fiscal policy, and current events.

If the Portfolio invests in ETFs, shareholders would bear not only the Portfolio’s expenses (including operating expenses and advisory fees), but also similar expenses of the ETFs, and the Portfolio’s return will therefore be lower. To the extent the Portfolio invests in ETFs, the Portfolio is exposed to the risks associated with the underlying investments of the ETFs and the Portfolio’s performance may be negatively affected if the value of those underlying investments declines.

There are special risks associated with investing in preferred stocks and securities convertible into common stocks. Preferred stocks may be subject to, among other things, deferral of distribution payments, involuntary

redemptions, subordination to bonds and other debt instruments of the issuer, a lack of liquidity relative to other securities such as common stocks, and limited voting rights. The market value of securities convertible into common stocks tends to decline as interest rates increase and, conversely, tends to increase as interest rates decline. In addition, because of the conversion feature, the market value of convertible securities tends to vary with fluctuations in the market value of the underlying common stock.

The Portfolio may invest a portion of its net assets in debt securities, which may be subject to the risks associated with changes in interest rates, the creditworthiness of the issuers, unanticipated prepayment, and the decline of the bond market in general.

The Portfolio may actively and frequently trade securities in its portfolio to carry out its principal strategies. A high portfolio turnover rate increases transaction costs which may increase the Portfolio's expenses.

Due to differences of tax treatment and other considerations, there is a possibility that the interests of various Contract owners who own shares of the Portfolio may

conflict. The Fund's Board of Directors monitors events in order to identify any disadvantages resulting from material irreconcilable conflicts and to determine what action, if any, should be taken in response.

An investment in the Portfolio is not a deposit in a bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

### ***Website References***

The website references in this Prospectus are inactive textual references and information contained in or otherwise accessible through these websites does not form a part of this Prospectus.

### ***Portfolio Holdings***

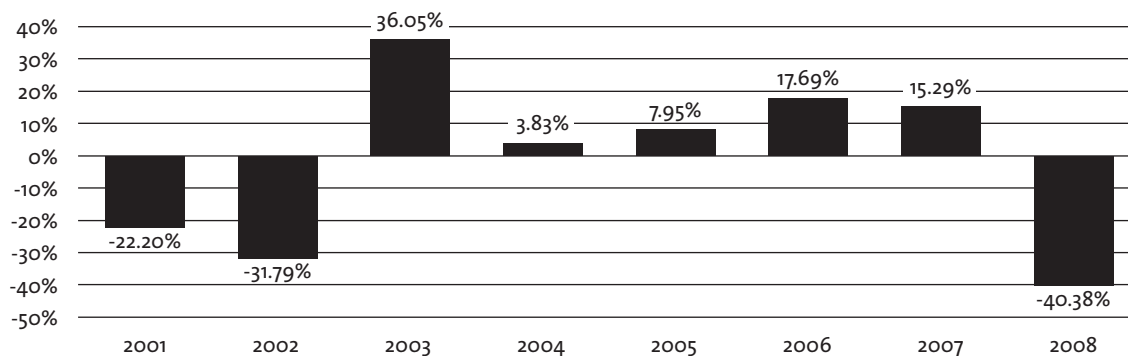
A description of the Fund's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the Portfolio's portfolio securities is available in the Fund's Statement of Additional Information.

## Past Performance

The following performance information provides some indication of the risks of investing in the Portfolio by showing how the performance of Class 2 shares has varied from year to year, as well as how its performance compares to four measures of performance. How the Portfolio has performed in the past, however, is not necessarily an indication of how it will perform in the future.

Class 2 annual total returns presented in the bar chart and Class 2 average annual total returns in the table below the bar chart do not reflect the effect of any administration fees or sales charges imposed by the Contracts on their owners. If these expenses were included, the returns would be lower. Both the bar chart and table assume that all dividends and capital gain distributions, if any, were reinvested. Seligman (the predecessor investment manager) and/or RiverSource Investments and its affiliates (since the Acquisition), at their discretion, reimbursed expenses of Class 2 shares for certain periods presented. Absent such reimbursement, returns would have been lower.

### Class 2 Annual Total Returns – Calendar Years



Best quarter return: 30.68% – quarter ended 12/31/01.

Worst quarter return: -32.03% – quarter ended 9/30/01.

### Class 2 Average Annual Total Returns – Periods Ended 12/31/08

	One Year	Five Years	Since Inception 5/1/00
Seligman Global Technology Portfolio	(40.38)%	(1.94)%	(8.98)%
MSCI World IT Index	(43.70)	(5.18)	(13.49) <sup>(1)</sup>
MSCI World Index	(40.33)	0.00	(2.43) <sup>(1)</sup>
Lipper Global Funds Average	(41.06)	(0.49)	(2.33) <sup>(1)</sup>
Lipper Global Science & Technology Funds Average	(47.80)	(5.85)	(12.42) <sup>(1)</sup>

The Lipper Global Funds Average, the Lipper Global Science & Technology Funds Average, the Morgan Stanley Capital International World Information Technology Index (“MSCI World IT Index”) and the Morgan Stanley Capital International World Index (“MSCI World Index”) are unmanaged benchmarks that assume reinvestment of all distributions, if any. The Lipper Global Funds Average and the Lipper Global Science & Technology Funds Average do not reflect sales-related fees (but includes operating expenses), sales charges or taxes, and the MSCI World Index and the MSCI World IT Index do not reflect expenses, fees, sales charges or taxes. The MSCI World Index is a free float adjusted market capitalization-weighted index that is designed to measure global developed equity performance. The MSCI World IT Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index designed to measure information technology stock performance in the global developed equity market. The Lipper Global Funds Average is an average of funds that invest at least 25% of their assets in equity securities traded outside the US and that may own US securities as well. The Lipper Global Science & Technology Funds Average measures the performance of funds that invest primarily in the equity securities of domestic and foreign companies engaged in science and technology. As of the date of this Prospectus, Lipper classifies the Portfolio as a Global Service & Technology Fund. Investors cannot invest directly in an average or an index.

Prior to March 31, 2000 Seligman (the predecessor investment manager) employed a subadvisor that was responsible for providing certain portfolio management services with regard to the Portfolio’s investments. Thereafter, Seligman provided and RiverSource Investments currently provides, portfolio management services for the Portfolio.

<sup>(1)</sup> From April 30, 2000.

## Fees and Expenses

The table below summarizes the fees and expenses that you may pay as a shareholder of the Portfolio. Annual portfolio operating expenses are deducted from Portfolio assets and are therefore paid indirectly by you and other shareholders of the Portfolio. The table does not reflect any fees or sales charges imposed by the Contracts on their owners. If any such fees or sales management fee waiver/charges had been included, the expenses set forth below would management fee waiver/ have been higher.

The annual portfolio operating expenses in the fee and expense table below are based on expenses incurred during the Portfolio's most recently completed fiscal year, and are expressed as a percentage (expense ratio) of the Portfolio's average net assets during the period. The expense ratios have not been adjusted to reflect the Portfolio's assets as of a different period or point in time, as asset levels will fluctuate. As of the date of this prospectus, the Portfolio's assets are lower than the Portfolio's average net assets during the most recently completed fiscal year. In general, a fund's annual operating expenses will increase as the fund's assets decrease. Accordingly, the Portfolio's annual operating expenses, if adjusted based on assets as of the date of this prospectus, would be higher than are expressed in the fee and expense table below. The commitment by the investment manager and its affiliates to waive fees and cap (reimburse) expenses would limit the impact that any decrease in the Portfolio's assets will have on its total annual (net) operating expenses in the current fiscal year.

As of the date of this prospectus, Ameriprise Financial provides administrative services to the Fund at no cost and RiverSource Investments provides investment management services for a fee, as disclosed in the fee table below. Effective in the second half of 2009, Ameriprise Financial will charge the Fund a fee for its services (which would be reflected in the Fund's "Other Expenses" in the fee table below). There will be no net impact to the fees that the Fund will pay because the administrative fee will be fully offset by a reduction in the investment management fees charged to the Fund. Please see the Appendices A and B in the Statement of Additional information for the schedule of investment management fees and administrative fees effective in the second half of 2009.

### Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses (as a percentage of average net assets)

Management Fees	1.00%
Distribution and/or Service (12b-1) Fees	0.25%
Other Expenses	2.16%
Gross Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses	3.41%
Less: Fee Waiver/Expense Reimbursement	(1.26%)
Net Annual Portfolio Operating Expenses <sup>(1)</sup>	2.15%

<sup>(1)</sup> RiverSource Investments and its affiliates have contractually agreed to waive certain fees and to absorb certain expenses until April 30, 2010, unless sooner discontinued by the Fund's Board. Any amounts waived will not be reimbursed by the Portfolio. Under this arrangement, net Portfolio expenses will not exceed 2.15% for the Portfolio's Class 2 shares.

## Example

This example is intended to help you compare the costs of investing in the Portfolio with the costs of investing in other mutual funds. It assumes (1) you invest \$10,000 in the Portfolio for each period and then sell all of your shares at the end of that period, (2) your investment has a 5% return each year, and (3) the Portfolio's operating expenses are (i) the Portfolio's net operating expenses shown above through April 30, 2010 (which reflect the contractual fee waiver/expense reimbursement described above) and (ii) after April 30, 2010, the Portfolio's gross annual operating expenses shown above. The example set forth below does not reflect any fees or sales charges imposed by the Contracts on their owners. If any such fees or sales charges had been included, the expenses reflected below would have been higher. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class 2	\$218	\$931	\$1,666	\$3,610

## Management of the Fund

On November 7, 2008, RiverSource Investments announced the closing of its Acquisition of Seligman. With the Acquisition completed and shareholders having previously approved (at a special meeting held on November 3, 2008) a new investment management services agreement between the Fund (on behalf of the Portfolios) and RiverSource Investments (the "Management Agreement"), RiverSource Investments is the new investment manager of each of the Portfolios effective November 7, 2008.

RiverSource Investments, 200 Ameriprise Financial Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55474, is also the investment manager of the other funds in the RiverSource Family of Funds, and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ameriprise Financial. Ameriprise Financial is a financial planning and financial services company that has been offering solutions for clients' asset accumulation, income management and protection needs for more than 110 years. In addition to managing investments for the RiverSource Family of Funds, RiverSource Investments manages investments for itself and its affiliates. For institutional clients, RiverSource Investments and its affiliates provide investment management and related services, such as separate account asset management, and institutional trust and custody, as well as other investment products.

Effective November 7, 2008, the Portfolio pays RiverSource Investments a fee for managing its assets (Seligman no longer receives a management fee effective November 7, 2008). The management fee paid by the Portfolio did not change as result of the Acquisition. The Portfolio pays a management fee for its services, equal to a percentage of the Portfolio's average daily net assets as follows: 1.00% on first \$2 billion; 0.95% on next \$2 billion; and 0.90% thereafter. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the Portfolio paid a management fee equal to an annual rate of 1.00% of its average daily net assets. For the year ended December

31, 2008, Seligman (the Fund's predecessor investment manager) and/or RiverSource Investments and its affiliates (since the Acquisition), reimbursed expenses of the Portfolio equal to an annual rate of 1.64% of its average daily net assets.

On July 19, 2008, the Portfolio's Board met to discuss, prior to shareholder approval, the Management Agreement. A discussion regarding the basis for the Board approving the agreement was included in the Fund's Proxy statement dated August 27, 2008, and is available in the Fund's annual shareholder report for the year ended December 31, 2008.

## Portfolio Management

The Portfolio is managed by the investment manager's Technology Group. Richard M. Parower, who joined Seligman in April 2000 and RiverSource Investments in November 2008, is Portfolio Manager of the Portfolio. Mr. Parower is also Portfolio Manager of Seligman Global Fund Series' Seligman Global Technology Fund and RiverSource Global Technology Fund since November 2008. Mr. Parower provides portfolio management services for certain private and offshore funds, including those with similar investment strategies as the Portfolio and those using long and short strategies.

Paul H. Wick has been Portfolio Manager of Seligman Communication and Information Portfolio since its inception. Mr. Wick has also been Portfolio Manager of Seligman Communications and Information Fund since December 1989 and RiverSource Global Technology Fund since November 2008. Mr. Wick provides portfolio management services for certain private and offshore funds, including those with similar investment strategies as the Portfolio and those using long and short strategies. Wick provides assistance to Mr. Parower in managing the Portfolio through his research and contributions to the investment decisions with respect to companies in the semiconductor and electronics capital equipment sectors. Mr. Wick joined Seligman in August 1987 as an Associate, Investment Research, and became Vice President, Investment Officer in August 1991; he was named Managing Director in January 1995 and was elected a member of Seligman's Board of Directors in November 1997. Mr. Wick joined RiverSource Investments in November 2008.

Reema D. Shah, who joined Seligman in November 2000 and RiverSource Investments in November 2008, is Co-Portfolio Manager of Seligman Communications and Information Portfolio. Ms. Shah is also Co-Portfolio Manager of Seligman Communications and Information Fund, Inc. and a Portfolio Manager of RiverSource Global Technology Fund since November 2008. Ms. Shah provides portfolio management services for certain private and offshore funds, including those with similar strategies as the Portfolio and those using long and short strategies. Ms. Shah provides assistance to Mr. Parower in managing the Portfolio through her research and contributions to the investment decisions with respect to companies in the internet, consumer and enterprise software, education, and financial exchanges sectors.

Ajay Diwan, who joined Seligman in February 2001 and RiverSource Investments in November 2008, is Co-Portfolio Manager of Seligman Communications and Information Portfolio. Mr. Diwan is also Co-Portfolio Manager of Seligman Communications and Information Fund, Inc. and a Portfolio Manager of RiverSource Global Technology Fund since November 2008. Mr. Diwan provides portfolio management services for certain private and offshore funds, including those with similar investment strategies as the Portfolio and those using long and short strategies. Mr. Diwan provides assistance to Mr. Parower in managing the Portfolio through his research and contributions to the investment decisions with respect to companies in the communications equipment, data storage, information technology services, and electronic payment processing industries.

Benjamin Lu joined Seligman in April 2005 and RiverSource Investments in November 2008. Previously, Mr. Lu was an Associate Director for UBS from July 2002 to April 2005, covering the US electronic manufacturing services and electronic components sectors. Mr. Lu provides assistance to Mr. Parower in managing the Portfolio through his research and contributions to the investment decisions with respect to companies in the Asia technology sector as well as the US electronic manufacturing services and electronic components sectors.

The Fund's Statement of Additional Information provides additional information about the compensation of the individuals named above (the "GT Portfolio Team"), other accounts managed by the GT Portfolio Team and the GT Portfolio Team's ownership of securities of the Portfolio.

## Regulatory Matters

In September 2006, the Office of the Attorney General of the State of New York (“NYAG”) commenced a civil action in New York State Supreme Court against J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated (Seligman), Seligman Advisors, Inc. (now known as RiverSource Fund Distributors, Inc.), Seligman Data Corp. and Brian T. Zino (collectively, the “Seligman Parties”), alleging, in substance, that the Seligman Parties permitted various persons to engage in frequent trading and, as a result, the prospectus disclosure used by the registered investment companies then managed by Seligman is and has been misleading. The NYAG included other related claims and also claimed that the fees charged by Seligman to the Seligman Funds were excessive.

On March 13, 2009, without admitting or denying any violations of law or wrongdoing, the Seligman Parties entered into a stipulation of settlement with the NYAG and settled the claims made by the NYAG. Under the terms of the settlement, Seligman paid \$11.3 million to four Seligman Funds as follows: \$150,000 to Seligman Global Growth Fund, \$550,000 to Seligman Global Smaller Companies Fund, \$7.7 million to Seligman Communications and Information Fund and \$2.9 million to Seligman Global Technology Fund. These settlement payments are reflected in the net asset values of these four Seligman Funds. This settlement resolved all outstanding matters between the Seligman Parties and the NYAG.

In addition to the foregoing matter, the New York staff of the SEC indicated in September 2005 that it was considering recommending to the Commissioners of the SEC the instituting of a formal action against Seligman and Seligman Advisors, Inc. relating to frequent trading in the Seligman Funds. Seligman responded to the staff in October 2005 that it believed that any action would be both inappropriate and unnecessary, especially in light of the fact that Seligman had previously resolved the underlying issue with the Independent Directors of the Seligman Funds and made recompense to the affected Seligman Funds. There have been no further developments with the SEC on this matter.

Ameriprise Financial and certain of its affiliates have historically been involved in a number of legal, arbitration and regulatory proceedings, including routine litigation, class actions, and governmental actions, concerning matters arising in connection with the conduct of their business activities. Ameriprise Financial believes that the Seligman Funds are not currently the subject of, and that neither Ameriprise Financial nor any of its affiliates are the subject of, any pending legal, arbitration or regulatory proceedings that are likely to have a material adverse effect on the Seligman Funds or the ability of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates to perform under their contracts with the Seligman Funds. Information regarding certain legal proceedings may be found in the Seligman Funds’ shareholder reports and in the SAI. Additionally, Ameriprise Financial is required to make 10-Q, 10-K and, as necessary, 8-K filings with the SEC on legal and regulatory matters that relate to Ameriprise Financial and its affiliates. Copies of these filings may be obtained by accessing the SEC website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

# Shareholder Information

## ***Pricing and Valuing of Fund Shares***

When you buy or sell shares, you do so at the Class's net asset value ("NAV") next calculated after your request is received by participating insurance companies. If your purchase or sell request is received by participating insurance companies by the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time), it will be executed at the Class's NAV calculated as of the close of regular trading on the NYSE on that day.

If your purchase or sell request is received by participating insurance companies after the close of regular trading on the NYSE, your request will be executed at the Class's NAV calculated as of the close of regular trading on the next NYSE trading day.

The NAV of the Portfolio's shares is computed each day, Monday through Friday, on days that the NYSE is open for trading. The NAV is the value of a single share of a Portfolio. The NAV is determined by dividing the value of the Portfolio's assets, minus any liabilities, by the number of shares outstanding. The NAV is calculated as of the close of business on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time, on each day that the NYSE is open. Securities are valued primarily on the basis of market quotations and floating rate loans are valued primarily on the basis of indicative bids. Both market quotations and indicative bids are obtained from outside pricing services approved and monitored under procedures adopted by the Board. Certain short-term securities with maturities of 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost.

When reliable market quotations or indicative bids are not readily available, investments are priced at fair value based on procedures adopted by the Board. These procedures are also used when the value of an investment held by a Portfolio is materially affected by events that occur after the close of a securities market but prior to the time as of which the Portfolio's NAV is determined. Valuing investments at fair value involves reliance on judgment. The fair value of an investment is likely to differ from any available quoted or published price. To the extent that a Portfolio has significant holdings of small cap stocks, high yield bonds, floating rate loans, tax-exempt securities or foreign securities that may trade infrequently, fair valuation may be used more frequently than for other funds. The Portfolios use an unaffiliated service provider to assist in determining fair values for foreign securities.

Foreign investments are valued in U.S. dollars. Some of the Portfolio's securities may be listed on foreign exchanges that trade on weekends or other days when the Portfolio

does not price its shares. In that event, the NAV of the Portfolio's shares may change on days when shareholders will not be able to purchase or sell the Portfolio's shares.

## ***How to Purchase and Sell Shares***

The Portfolio is offering its shares only to Accounts of participating insurance companies to fund benefits of the Contracts. The Accounts may invest in shares of the Portfolio in accordance with allocation instructions received from the owners of the Contracts. Such allocation rights and information on how to purchase or surrender a Contract, as well as sales charges and other expenses imposed by the Contracts on their owners, are further described in the separate prospectuses and disclosure documents issued by the participating insurance companies and accompanying this Prospectus. The Fund reserves the right to reject any order for the purchase of shares of the Portfolio.

An Account may sell all or any portion of the Portfolio shares that it holds at any time at the next computed NAV per share, as described above. Portfolio shares that are sold are entitled to any dividends that have been declared as payable to record owners up to and including the day the sale is effected. There is no charge. Payment of the sale price will normally be made within seven days after receipt of such sale. In addition, the right to sell your shares may be suspended and the date of payment of the sale price may be postponed for any period during which the NYSE is closed (other than customary weekend and holiday closings) or during which the SEC determines that trading thereon is restricted, or for any period during which an emergency (as determined by the SEC) exists as a result of which the sale of Portfolio shares is not reasonably practicable or as a result of which it is not reasonably practicable for the Portfolio to fairly determine the value of its net assets, or for such other periods as the SEC may by order permit for the protection of shareholders.

The Fund reserves the right to accept an in kind contribution of securities as payment for shares of the Portfolio. Contributions received in kind will be valued at the Fund's determination of their fair market value. Additionally, for redemptions in excess of 15% of the Portfolio, the Fund reserves the right to satisfy such redemption request with an in kind transfer of securities. Shareholders receiving a payment in the form of securities may incur expenses, including brokerage expenses, in converting these securities into cash. Redemptions made in kind will be made on a pro rata basis so as not to disadvantage any individual shareholder. No shareholder will have the right to require any distribution of any assets of the Portfolio in kind.

## **Shareholder Servicing and Distribution Arrangements**

Under a Rule 12b-1 plan adopted by the Fund with respect to the Portfolio, Class 2 shares pay an annual shareholder servicing and distribution (“12b-1”) fee of up to 0.25% of average net assets. The Portfolio pays this fee to RiverSource Fund Distributors, Inc. (the “distributor”), the principal underwriter of the Portfolio’s shares. The distributor uses this fee to make payments to participating insurance companies or their affiliates for services that the participating insurance companies provide to Contract owners of Class 2 shares, and for distribution related expenses. Because these 12b-1 fees are paid out of the Portfolio’s assets on an ongoing basis, over time they will increase the cost of a Contract owner’s investment and may cost you more than other types of sales charges.

## **Market Timing**

The Board has adopted a policy that the Portfolios will not knowingly permit market timing. Market timing is frequent or short-term trading activity by certain investors in a fund intending to profit at the expense of other investors in a fund; for example, short-term trading funds that invest in securities that trade on overseas securities markets in order to take advantage of inefficiencies in the fund’s pricing of those securities (the change in values of such securities between the close of the overseas markets and the close of the U.S. markets). This type of short-term trading is sometimes referred to as “arbitrage” market timing. Market timing may adversely impact a Portfolio’s performance by preventing the investment manager from fully investing the assets of the Portfolio, diluting the value of shares, or increasing the Portfolio’s transaction costs. To the extent a Portfolio has significant holdings in foreign securities, including emerging markets securities, small cap stocks and/or high yield bonds, the risks of market timing may be greater for the Portfolio than for other funds. The Portfolios are offered only through variable annuity contracts and life insurance policies, and shares of the Portfolios are held in affiliated insurance company subaccounts. Because insurance companies process contract and policyholder’s Portfolio trades in the subaccounts on an omnibus basis, the Board has not adopted procedures to monitor market timing activity at the Portfolio level, but rather has approved monitoring procedures designed to detect and deter market timing activities at the contract or policy level. Please refer to your annuity contract or life insurance policy prospectus for specific details on transfers between accounts and market timing policies and procedures. The procedures that are designed to detect and deter market timing activities at the contract or policy level cannot provide a guarantee that all market timing activity will be identified and restricted. In addition, state law and the terms of some contracts and policies may prevent or restrict the effectiveness of the market timing procedures from stopping certain market timing activity. Market timing activity that is not identified, prevented or restricted may impact the performance of the Portfolios.

## **Dividends and Capital Gain Distributions**

Dividends and capital gain distributions, if any, from the Portfolio will be declared and paid annually and will be reinvested to buy additional shares on the payable date using the NAV of the ex-dividend date. Dividends on Class 2 shares generally will be lower than the dividends on Class 1 shares as a result of 12b-1 fees. Capital gain distributions will be paid in the same amount for each Class.

The Portfolio has net capital loss carryforwards that are available for offset against future net capital gains, expiring in various amounts through 2016. Accordingly, no capital gains distributions are expected to be paid to shareholders until net capital gains have been realized in excess of the available capital loss carryforwards.

## **Taxes**

Further information regarding the tax consequences of an investment in the Portfolio is contained in the separate prospectuses and disclosure documents issued by the participating insurance companies and accompanying this Prospectus.

## **Other Information**

### **Additional Services and Compensation**

As described above, RiverSource Investments receives compensation for acting as the Portfolio’s investment manager. RiverSource Investments and its affiliates also receive compensation for providing other services to the Portfolio.

**Administration Services.** Ameriprise Financial, 200 Ameriprise Financial Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55474, provides or compensates others to provide administrative services to the Portfolios. These services include administrative, accounting, treasury, and other services. Fees paid by the Portfolios for these services are included under “Other expenses” in the expense table under “Fees and Expenses.”

**Distribution and Shareholder Services.** RiverSource Fund Distributors, Inc., 50611 Ameriprise Financial Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55474 (the distributor), provides underwriting and distribution services to the Portfolio. Under the Distribution Agreement and related distribution and shareholder servicing plans, the distributor receives distribution and shareholder servicing fees, as applicable. The distributor uses these fees to support its distribution and servicing activity. Fees paid by the Portfolios for these services are set forth under “Distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees” in the expense table under “Fees and Expenses.” More information on how these fees are used is set forth in the SAI.

**Transfer Agency Services.** RiverSource Service Corporation, 734 Ameriprise Financial Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55474 (the transfer agent or RiverSource Service Corporation), provides or compensates others to provide transfer agency services to the Portfolios. The Portfolios pay the transfer agent a fee and reimburse the transfer

agent for its out-of-pocket expenses incurred while providing these transfer agency services to the Portfolios. Fees paid by the Portfolios for these services are included under “Other expenses” in the expense table under “Fees and Expenses.” RiverSource Service Corporation may pay a portion of these fees to financial intermediaries that provide sub-recordkeeping agent and other services to Portfolio shareholders (contract owners).

### **Payments to RiverSource Life Insurance Company and RiverSource Life Insurance Co. of New York**

The Portfolios are sold exclusively as underlying investment options of variable insurance policies and annuity contracts (products) offered by RiverSource Life Insurance Company (RiverSource Life) and its wholly-owned subsidiary, RiverSource Life Insurance Co. of New York (collectively, the Companies). RiverSource Investments and its affiliates make or support payments out of their own resources to the Companies as a result of the Companies including the Portfolios as investment options in the products. These products may also include unaffiliated mutual funds as investment options, and the Companies receive payments from the sponsors of these unaffiliated mutual funds as a result of including these funds in the products. Employees of Ameriprise Financial and its affiliates, including employees of affiliated broker-dealers, may be separately incented to recommend or sell shares of the fund, as employee compensation and business unit operating goals at all levels are tied to the company’s success. Certain employees, directly or indirectly, may receive higher compensation and other benefits as investment in the fund increases. In addition, management, sales leaders and other employees may spend more of their time and resources promoting Ameriprise Financial and its subsidiary companies, including RiverSource Investments, and the distributor, and the products they offer, including the Portfolios. The amount of payment from sponsors of an unaffiliated funds or allocation from RiverSource Investments and its affiliates varies, and may be significant. The amount of the payment or allocation the Companies receive from a fund may create an incentive for the Companies and may influence their decision regarding which funds to include in a product. These arrangements are sometimes referred to as “revenue sharing payments,” and are in addition to any 12b-1 distribution and/or service fees or other amounts paid by the funds for account maintenance, subaccounting or recordkeeping services provided directly by the Companies. See the product prospectus for more information regarding these payments and allocations.

### **Potential Conflicts of Interest**

Shares of the Portfolio may serve as the underlying investments for both variable annuity and variable life insurance contracts of the Companies. Due to differences in tax treatment or other considerations, the interests of various contract owners might at some time be in conflict. The Portfolios currently do not foresee any such conflict. However, if they do arise, the Board intends to consider what

action, if any, should be taken in response to such conflicts. If such a conflict were to occur, one or more of each Company’s separate accounts might be required to withdraw its investments in the Portfolios. This might force the Portfolio to sell securities at disadvantageous prices.

### **Additional Management Information**

**Manager of Manager Exemption.** The RiverSource Funds have received an order from the Securities and Exchange Commission that permits RiverSource Investments, subject to the approval of the Board, to appoint a subadviser or change the terms of a subadvisory agreement for the Fund without first obtaining shareholder approval. The order permits a fund to add or change unaffiliated subadvisers or change the fees paid to subadvisers from time to time without the expense and delays associated with obtaining shareholder approval of the change. Before Seligman International Growth Portfolio may rely on the order, holders of a majority of the Portfolios’ outstanding voting securities will need to approve operating the Portfolio in this manner. There is no assurance shareholder approval will be received, and no changes will be made without shareholder approval until that time. RiverSource Investments or its affiliates may have other relationships, including significant financial relationships, with current or potential subadvisers or their affiliates, which may create a conflict of interest. In making recommendations to the Board to appoint or to change a subadviser, or to change the terms of a subadvisory agreement, RiverSource Investments does not consider any other relationship it or its affiliates may have with a subadviser, and RiverSource Investments discloses the nature of any material relationships it has with a subadviser to the Board.

**Asset Allocation Program.** A Portfolio may be included as component funds in asset allocation programs (Programs). The Programs are available to owners of certain variable annuity contracts (contract owners), and, if available to you, are described in your annuity prospectus. Under the Programs, contract owners choose asset allocation model portfolios (model portfolios). Contract values are rebalanced on a quarterly basis and model portfolios are periodically updated. This quarterly rebalancing and periodic updating of the model portfolios can cause a component fund to incur transactional expenses as it raises cash for money flowing out of the component fund or to buy securities with money flowing into the component fund. Moreover, a large outflow of money from a fund may increase the expenses attributable to the assets remaining in the fund. These expenses can adversely affect the performance of the component fund, and could adversely affect those contract owners who own the component fund but do not participate in the Program. Large flows resulting in increased transactional expenses could detract from the achievement of a component fund’s investment objective during a period of rising market prices; conversely, a large cash position may reduce the magnitude of a component fund’s loss in the event of falling market prices, and provide the component fund with liquidity to make additional investments or to meet redemptions. Even

if you do not participate in Programs, if you invest in a component fund, you may be impacted if the component fund is included in one or more model portfolios.

**Cash Reserves.** A Portfolio may invest its daily cash balance in a money market fund selected by RiverSource Investments, including but not limited to RiverSource Short-Term Cash Fund (Short-Term Cash Fund), a money market fund established for the exclusive use of the funds in the RiverSource Family of Funds and other institutional clients of RiverSource Investments. While Short-Term Cash Fund does not pay an advisory fee to RiverSource Investments, it does incur other expenses, and is expected to operate at a very low expense ratio. A Portfolio will invest in Short-Term Cash Fund or any other money market fund selected by RiverSource Investments only to the extent it is consistent with the Portfolio's investment objectives and policies. Short-Term Cash Fund is not insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any other government agency.

**Fund Holdings Disclosure.** The Board has adopted policies and procedures that govern the timing and circumstances of disclosure to shareholders and third parties of information regarding the securities owned by the Portfolios. A description of these policies and procedures is included in the SAI.

**Legal Proceedings.** Ameriprise Financial and certain of its affiliates have historically been involved in a number of legal, arbitration and regulatory proceedings, including routine litigation, class actions, and governmental actions, concerning matters arising in connection with the conduct of their business activities. Ameriprise Financial believes that the Fund is not currently the subject of, and that neither Ameriprise Financial nor any of its affiliates are the subject of, any pending legal, arbitration or regulatory proceedings that are likely to have a material adverse effect on the Fund or the ability of Ameriprise Financial or its affiliates to perform under their contracts with the Fund. Information regarding certain pending and settled legal proceedings may be found in the Fund's shareholder reports and in the SAI. Additionally, Ameriprise Financial is required to make 10-Q, 10-K and, as necessary, 8-K filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission on legal and regulatory matters that relate to Ameriprise Financial and its affiliates. Copies of these filings may be obtained by accessing the SEC website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

# Financial Highlights

The table below is intended to help you understand the financial performance of the Portfolio's Class 2 shares for the past five years. Certain information reflects financial results for a single share of the Class that was held throughout the periods shown. Per share amounts are calculated based on average shares outstanding. "Total return" shows the rate that you would have earned (or lost) on an investment in the Portfolio, assuming you reinvest all your dividends and capital gains distributions, if any. Total returns do not reflect the effect of any administration fees or sales charges imposed by the Contracts on their owners. If such fees or charges were reflected, total returns would have been lower. Deloitte & Touche LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, has audited this information for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2008. Their report, along with the Portfolio's financial statements, is included in the Fund's Annual Report, which is available upon request. Information for each of the years below through December 31, 2006 was audited by the Fund's former Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. Effective March 18, 2009, Ernst & Young LLP serves as the Fund's Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.

	Year ended December 31,				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
<b>Per Share Data:</b>					
Net asset value, beginning of year	\$18.25	\$15.83	\$13.45	\$12.46	\$12.00
Income (loss) from investment operations:					
Net investment loss	(0.24)	(0.28)	(0.22)	(0.21)	(0.15)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments, options written and foreign currency transactions	(7.13)	2.70	2.60	1.20	0.61
Total from investment operations	(7.37)	2.42	2.38	0.99	0.46
<b>Net asset value, end of year</b>	<b>\$10.88</b>	<b>\$18.25</b>	<b>\$15.83</b>	<b>\$13.45</b>	<b>\$12.46</b>
<b>Total Return</b>	<b>(40.38)%</b>	<b>15.29%</b>	<b>17.69%</b>	<b>7.95%</b>	<b>3.83%</b>
<b>Ratios/Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net assets, end of year (000s omitted)	\$1,159	\$2,899	\$2,245	\$1,888	\$2,210
Ratio of expenses to average net assets	2.07%	2.05%	2.05%	2.05%	2.05%
Ratio of net investment loss to average net assets	(1.55)%	(1.59)%	(1.52)%	(1.68)%	(1.25)%
Portfolio turnover rate	160.53%	197.73%	204.73%	155.29%	146.96%
Without expense reimbursement:*					
Ratio of expenses to average net assets	3.71%	3.19%	2.72%	2.64%	2.54%
Ratio of net investment loss to average net assets	(3.19)%	(2.73)%	(2.19)%	(2.27)%	(1.74)%

\* Seligman (the predecessor investment manager) and/or RiverSource Investments and its affiliates (since the Acquisition), at their discretion, reimbursed expenses for the years presented.

## For More Information

The following information is available, without charge, upon request by calling toll-free (800) 221-2783 in the US or collect (212) 850-1864 outside the US. You may also call these numbers to request other information about the Fund or to make shareholder inquiries.

The Statement of Additional Information contains additional information about the Fund. It is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, and is incorporated by reference into (is legally part of) this Prospectus.

Annual/Semi-Annual Reports contain additional information about the Portfolio's investments. In the Fund's Annual Report, you will find a discussion of the market conditions and investment strategies that significantly affected the Portfolio's performance during its last fiscal year. The Fund's Statement of Additional Information and most recent Annual/Semi-Annual Reports are also available, free of charge, at [www.seligman.com](http://www.seligman.com).

This Prospectus is intended for use in connection with tax-deferred variable annuity and variable life insurance products.

Information about the Fund, including the Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information, can be viewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. For information about the operation of the Public Reference Room, call (202) 551-8090. The Prospectus, Statement of Additional Information, Annual/Semi-Annual Reports and other information about the Fund are also available on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's Internet site: [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

Copies of this information may be obtained by electronic request at the following E-mail address: [publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov), or, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by writing: Securities and Exchange Commission, Public Reference Section, 100 F Street, NE, Room 1580, Washington, DC 20549-0102.

The website references in this Prospectus are inactive textual references and information contained in or otherwise accessible through these websites does not form a part of this Prospectus.

SEC File Number: 811-5221