

# BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation

# **BPI U.S. DOLLAR SHORT TERM FUND KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT** As of December 29, 2017

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Classification:	Money Market Fund	Net Asset Value per Unit (NAVPU):	USD 298.42
Launch Date:	August 30, 1994 *	Total Fund NAV (Mn):	USD 308.01
Minimum Investment:	USD 500.00	Dealing Day:	Daily up to 12:00NN
Additional Investment:	USD 200.00	Redemption Settlement:	T+0 End-of Day
Minimum Holding Period:	None	Early Redemption Charge:	None

#### FEES\*

Trustee Fees: 0.50%	Custodianship Fees: 0.0020%	External Auditor Fees: 0.0101%	Other Fees: 0.00%
BPI Asset Management	HSBC	Isla Lipana	None

As a percentage of average daily\*Billings received in 2016 divided\*Billings received in 2016 divided by

NAV for the quarter valued at USDby the average daily NAV the average daily NAV

299.09Million

# INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY

The Fund intends to achieve for its Participants liquidity and stable income derived from a diversified portfolio of foreign currency-denominated short-term fixed income instruments. The Fund aims to provide absolute returns in excess of the return of the 3-month U.S. Treasury Bill. The Fund was approved to be converted to a U.S. Dollar-denominated money market fund last March 6, 2015. \* It has likewise been renamed to the BPI U.S. Dollar Short Term Fund last June 1, 2015.

### CLIENT SUITABILITY

A client profiling process should be performed prior to participating in the Fund to guide the prospective investor if the Fund is suited to his/her investment objectives and risk tolerance. Clients are advised to read the Declaration of Trust / Plan Rules of the Fund, which may be obtained from the Trustee, before deciding to invest.

The BPI U.S. Dollar Short Term Fund is suitable only for investors who:

- Are at least classified as moderately conservative based on their risk profile.
- Have an investment horizon of up to one (1) year.

### KEY RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Interest The fund invests in short term foreign currency denominated fixed income securities, exposing investors to the risk Rate Risk: of loss arising from a rise in interest rates, which generally causes fixed income security prices to decline. Factors/ events that may lead to a rise interest rates include adverse market conditions, issuer-specific factors/

You should not invest in this Fund if you do not understand or are not comfortable with the accompanying risks.

events and/ or negative developments in political and economic conditions of countries where the securities are issued/ traded.

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the fund's inability to convert security holdings to cash immediately Liquidity Risk: or in instances where conversion to cash is possible but at a highly disadvantageous price due to limited buyers/ sellers in the market, low trading volumes or market disruptions, among other reasons/ factors.

Investors are exposed to actual or potential conflicts of interest in the handling of related party transactions by the Related Party Risk: Trustee, specifically, time deposit placements with the Trustee's own bank and/ or its subsidiary, purchase of debt

securities issued by related parties, as well as the execution of trade transactions with related counterparties. Credit/ Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the failure of the borrower/ debt issuer to make timely interest and/

Default or principal payments on its deposit liabilities, loans, bonds or other debt instruments due to a deterioration in the Risk: borrower's/ issuer's financial condition or external factors and events that may affect its ability to repay financial obligations such as negative developments in its home country's political and economic conditions.

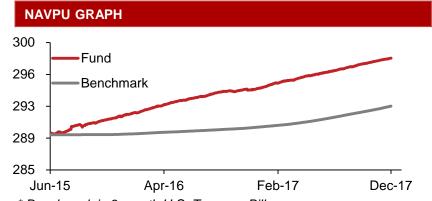
Forex Investors are exposed to the risk of loss from a decline in fund value when the market value of foreign currency Risk: denominated fixed income securities held by the fund are converted/ translated to US Dollar.

In accordance with the provisions in the Declaration of Trust, the Fund employs a risk management policy based on duration. The Fund may also use financial derivatives to hedge the portfolio against market and credit risks

- THE UIT FUND IS NOT A DEPOSIT AND IS NOT INSURED BY THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. (PDIC).
- RETURNS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED AND HISTORICAL NAVPU IS FOR ILLUSTRATION OF NAVPU MOVEMENTS/FLUCTUATIONS ONLY.
- WHEN REDEEMING, THE PROCEEDS MAY BE WORTH LESS THAN THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT AND ANY LOSSES WILL BE SOLELY FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE CLIENT.
- THE TRUSTEE IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS UNLESS UPON WILLFUL DEFAULT, BAD FAITH OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE.

## FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS AS OF December 29, 2017

(Purely for reference purposes and is not a guarantee of future results)



* Benchmark is 3-month U.S. Treasury Bill					
CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%) 1					
	1 mo	3 mo	6 mo	1YR	S.I.
Fund	0.09	0.28	0.59	1.23	3.21
Benchmark	0.11	0.30	0.56	0.93	1.27
ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) 1					
			1YR	2YR	S.I.
Fund			1YR 1.23	2YR 1.17	S.I. 1.23
Fund Benchmark					
	RFORMAN	ICE(%) <sup>1</sup>	1.23	1.17	1.23
Benchmark	RFORMAN	ICE(%) <sup>1</sup>	1.23	1.17	1.23

NAVPu over the past 12 months	
Highest	298.42
Lowest	294.87
STATISTICS	
Weighted Ave Duration (Yrs)	0.34
Annualized Volatility (%) <sup>2</sup>	0.13
Sharpe Ratio <sup>3</sup>	2.28
Information Ratio <sup>4</sup>	2.60
Port. Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)	1.73
Current Number of Holdings	249

<sup>1</sup>Returns are net of fees. The Fund was converted to the U.S. Dollar Short Term Fund last June 1, 2015. 
<sup>2</sup>Measures the degree to which the Fund fluctuates vis-à-vis its average return over a period of time. 
<sup>3</sup>Used to characterize how well the return of a Fund compensates the investor for the level of risk taken.

<sup>4</sup>Measures reward-to-risk efficiency of the portfolio relative to the benchmark. The higher the number, the higher the reward per unit of risk.

<sup>6</sup>Includes accrued income, investment securities purchased, accrued expenses, etc.

\*Declaration of Trust is available upon request through branch of account.

PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION				
Allocation	% of Fund			
Government	2.17			
Corporates	9.54			
Cash	0.37			
Time Deposits and Money Market	87.27			
Other Receivables – Net of Liabilities <sup>6</sup>	0.65			
Top Fixed Income Sectors				
Cash and less than 1 year	91.86			
Between 1 and 3 years	8.14			
Between 3 and 5 years	-			
Between 5 and 7 years	-			
Between 7 and 10 years	-			
More than 10 years	-			

TOP TEN HOLDINGS		
Name	Maturity	%
SM Investments Corporation	10/17/2019	2.44
HDFC Bank	3/6/2018	1.96
ICICI Bank	2/21/2018	1.45
Indonesian Bond	1/17/2018	1.45
SBIIN Bank	4/17/2019	1.06
Time Deposit		0.97
Time Deposit		0.97
Time Deposit		0.81
Indonesian Bond	3/4/2019	0.72
Time Deposit		0.65

### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS\***

**Benchmark** 

The Fund has transactions and outstanding investments including deposits, investment in the share/s of stocks, and/or debt issuances of the following companies related to BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation (BPI AMTC):

0.93

0.31

Bank of the Philippine Islands – 44.0Mn

Investments in the said outlets were approved by BPI AMTC's Board of Directors. Likewise, all related party transactions are conducted on an arm's length and best execution basis and within established limits.

\* Related party in accordance with BPI AMTC's internal policy.

#### **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

**Market Review**. The JP Morgan Asia Credit Index (JACI) Philippines gained 0.15% in even December as Philippine dollar-denominated bond yields moved higher by an average of 3 basis points. Yields on the longer-tenored RoPs maturing 2030 and 2034, however, fell by an average of 1.6 basis points.

Bond prices initially fell amid the release of strong November jobs data, as well as the US Senate and Congress's passage of a sweeping overhaul of the US tax code. US nonfarm payrolls increased by 228,000 for the month of November, beating the consensus estimate of 190,000. The unemployment rate remained unchanged at 4.1%. Strong jobs data could mean faster monetary policy tightening moving forward. On the other hand, the passage of the US tax code overhaul implied that President Trump could soon score his first major legislative triumph, causing investors to adopt a risk-on stance.

The Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) meeting held during the month concluded with the decision to hike policy rates by 25 basis points. This marked the third rate hike for the year, and was in-line with market expectations. The Committee likewise released their updated economic projections, which presented a more positive view of the country's growth outlook, though there were very little changes in the interest rate outlook.

On the local front, inflation eased to 3.3% in November. This brought the year-to-date 11-month average figure to 3.2%, still well within the BSP's targeted range of 2-4% for 2017. Manageable inflation coupled with continued robust economic growth should allow the BSP to keep its policy rates accommodative.

Fund Performance. The Fund rose by 0.09% in December, underperforming the benchmark by 2 basis points.

**Fund Strategy**. The fund will maintain its duration of less than 1 and will continuously look into corporate bonds for yield enhancement.

#### LIST OF PROSPECTIVE INVESTMENTS

The following are among the Fund's approved investment outlets, wherein the Trustee intends to invest depending on strategy, availability, or other market-driven circumstances:

- (a) Primarily short-term tradable fixed-income instruments issued or guaranteed by the Philippine government or the BSP; tradable securities issued by the government of a foreign country, any political subdivision/agency of a foreign country or any supranational entity; tradable fixed-income instruments issued by foreign or local financial institutions or private corporations; exchange-listed securities; marketable instruments that are traded in an organized exchange; loans traded in an organized market; and, such other tradable investments outlets/ categories as the BSP may allow. Provided, that, a financial instrument is regarded as tradable if two-way prices are quoted, readily available or regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.
- (b) Primarily short-term tradable fixed-income instruments issued, underwritten, or otherwise dealt by BPI and/or any of its subsidiaries, affiliates, their successors-in-interest or assignees, their directors, officers, stockholders, and related interest, and any of their trust and fund managed accounts, under such terms and conditions as the Trustee may deem to be in the best interest of the Fund; and, any such other instruments as may be allowed under BSP regulations. Investment with related interests shall be in accordance with Subsection X410.12 (a) of the Manual of Regulations for Banks.
- (c) The principal investments of the Fund will be in money market instruments denominated in, but are not limited to, the following major currencies: U.S. Dollar, Euro, British Pound, Canadian Dollar, Australian Dollar, Swiss Franc, Danish Kroner, and Japanese Yen.
- (d) Bank deposits, BSP special deposit account or tradable debt instruments issued by the BSP.
- (e) Such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation is regulated by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP). For any inquiries and complaints relating to our services and products you may call our hotline: 89-100, or send an email at bpi\_asset\_management@bpi.com.ph or write a letter addressed to BPI Asset Management — Consumer Protection, 17F, BPI Building, Ayala Ave. cor. Paseo De Roxas, Makati City, 1226. You may also file your complaints at BSP Financial Consumer Department at (632) 708-7087 or consumeraffairs@bsp.gov.ph. To know your rights under BSP Circular No. 857 (Regulations on Financial Consumer Protection), please access a copy at our website: www.bpiassetmanagement.com.