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<u>Fund</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Advisory Fee</u> <sup>6</sup>	<u>Net Assets</u> <u>3/31/16</u> <u>(\$MIL)</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	Specialty	0.75% on 1 <sup>st</sup> \$2.5 billion 0.65% on next \$2.5 billion 0.60% on the balance	\$624.8

The Adviser is reimbursed as specified in the Investment Advisory Agreement for certain clerical, legal, accounting, administrative and other services provided to the Fund. During the Fund’s most recently completed fiscal year, the Adviser received \$47,026 (0.007% of the Fund’s average daily net assets) for such services.

Set forth below are the Fund’s total expense ratios for the most recently completed semi-annual period:<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> Semi-annual total expense ratios are unaudited.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Total Expense Ratio</u> <sup>8</sup>		<u>Fiscal Year</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	Advisor	1.20%	July 31
	Class A	1.45%	(ratios as of
	Class B	2.28%	January 31,
	Class C	2.21%	2016)
	Class R	1.59%	
	Class K	1.28%	
	Class I	0.94%	

#### I. MANAGEMENT FEES CHARGED TO INSTITUTIONAL AND OTHER CLIENTS

The advisory fees charged to investment companies which the Adviser manages and sponsors are normally higher than those charged to similar sized institutional accounts, including pension plans and sub-advised investment companies. The fee differential reflects, among other things, different services provided to such clients, and different liabilities assumed. Services provided by the Adviser to the Fund that are not provided to non-investment company clients and sub-advised investment companies include providing office space and personnel to serve as Fund Officers, who among other responsibilities make the certifications required under the Sarbanes–Oxley Act of 2002, and coordinating with and monitoring the Fund’s third party service providers such as Fund counsel, auditors, custodians, transfer agents and pricing services. The accounting, administrative, legal and compliance requirements for the Fund are more costly than those for institutional assets due to the greater complexities and time required for investment companies, although as previously noted, the Adviser is reimbursed for providing some of these services. Also, retail mutual funds managed by the Adviser are widely held. Servicing the Fund’s investors is more time consuming and labor intensive compared to institutional clients since the Adviser needs to communicate with a more extensive network of financial intermediaries and shareholders. The Adviser also

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<sup>8</sup> Annualized.

believes that it incurs substantial entrepreneurial risk when offering a new mutual fund since establishing a new mutual fund requires a large upfront investment and it may take a long time for the fund to achieve profitability since the fund must be priced to scale from inception in order to be competitive and assets are acquired one account at a time. In addition, managing the cash flow of an investment company may be more difficult than managing that of a stable pool of assets, such as an institutional account with little cash movement in either direction, particularly, if a fund is in net redemption and the Adviser is frequently forced to sell securities to raise cash for redemptions. However, managing a fund with positive cash flow may be easier at times than managing a stable pool of assets. Finally, in recent years, investment advisers have been sued by institutional clients and have suffered reputational damage both by the attendant publicity and outcomes other than complete victories. Accordingly, the legal and reputational risks associated with institutional accounts are greater than previously thought, although still not equal to those related to the mutual fund industry.

Notwithstanding the Adviser's view that managing an investment company is not comparable to managing other institutional accounts because the services provided are different, the Supreme Court has indicated consideration should be given to the advisory fees charged to institutional accounts with a similar investment style as the Fund.<sup>9</sup> In addition to the AB Institutional fee schedule, set forth below is what would have been the

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<sup>9</sup> The Supreme Court stated that "courts may give such comparisons the weight that they merit in light of the similarities and differences between the services that the clients in question require, but the courts must be wary of inapt comparisons." Among the significant differences the Supreme Court noted that may exist between services provided to mutual funds and institutional accounts are "higher marketing costs." *Jones v. Harris* at 1528.

effective advisory fee of the Fund had the AB Institutional fee schedule been applicable to the Fund based on March 31, 2016 net assets:<sup>10</sup>

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Net Assets 3/31/16 (\$MIL)</u>	<u>AB Institutional Fee Schedule</u>	<u>Effective AB Inst. Adv. Fee</u>	<u>Fund Advisory Fee</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	\$624.8	Global Thematic Research 0.80% on 1 <sup>st</sup> \$25 million 0.60% on next \$25 million 0.50% on next \$50 million 0.40% on next the balance <i>Minimum Account Size: \$25m</i>	0.432%	0.750%

The Adviser also manages the AB Variable Products Series Fund, Inc. (“AVPS”), which is available through variable annuity and variable life contracts offered by other financial institutions and offers policyholders the option to utilize certain AVPS portfolios as the investment option underlying their insurance contracts. Set forth below is the fee schedule of the AVPS portfolio that has a substantially similar investment style as the Fund.<sup>11</sup> Since the Fund has the same breakpoint level as the AVPS Portfolio, the effective fee of the AVPS Portfolio is the same as that of the Fund.<sup>12</sup>

<u>Fund</u>	<u>AVPS Portfolio</u>	<u>Fee Schedule</u>	<u>Effective AVPS Adv. Fee</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	Global Thematic Growth Portfolio	0.75% on first \$2.5 billion 0.65% on next \$2.5 billion 0.60% on the balance	0.750%

<sup>10</sup> The Adviser has indicated that with respect to institutional accounts with assets greater than \$300 million, it will negotiate a fee schedule. Discounts that are negotiated vary based upon each client relationship.

<sup>11</sup> The AVPS portfolio was also affected by the settlement between the Adviser and the NYAG. As a result, the Fund has the same breakpoints in its advisory fee schedule as the AVPS portfolio.

<sup>12</sup> The advisory fee of AVPS Global Thematic Growth Portfolio is based on the portfolio’s average daily net assets and is paid on a monthly basis, in contrast to the Fund, whose fee is based on the Fund’s net assets at the end of each quarter and is paid to the Adviser quarterly.

The Adviser also manages and sponsors retail mutual funds, which are organized in jurisdictions outside the United States, generally Luxembourg and Japan, and sold to non-United States resident investors. The Adviser charges the fees set forth below for Thematic Research Portfolio, a Luxembourg fund that has a somewhat similar investment style as the Fund.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Luxembourg Fund</u>	<u>Fee</u> <sup>13</sup>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	Thematic Research Growth Portfolio	
	Class A	1.70%
	Class I	0.90%

The Adviser represented that it does not sub-advise any registered investment company with a substantially similar investment style as the Fund.

## II. MANAGEMENT FEES CHARGED BY OTHER MUTUAL FUND COMPANIES FOR LIKE SERVICES.

Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. (“Broadridge”), an analytical service that is not affiliated with the Adviser, compared the fees charged to the Fund with fees charged to other investment companies for similar services offered by other investment advisers.<sup>14, 15</sup> Broadridge’s analysis included the comparison of the Fund’s contractual management fee, estimated at the approximate current asset level of the Fund, to the

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<sup>13</sup> Class A shares of the Luxembourg funds are charged an “all-in” fee, which includes investment advisory and distribution related services, unlike class I shares, whose fee is for only investment advisory services.

<sup>14</sup> The Supreme Court cautioned against accepting mutual fund fee comparisons without careful scrutiny since “these comparisons are problematic because these fees, like those challenged, may not be the product of negotiations conducted at arm’s length.” *Jones v. Harris* at 1429.

<sup>15</sup> On June 5, 2015, Broadridge acquired the Fiduciary Services and Competitive Intelligence unit, *i.e.*, the group responsible for providing the Fund’s 15(c) reports, from Thomson Reuters’ Lipper division. The group that maintains Lipper’s expense and performance databases and investment classification/objective remains a part of Thomson Reuters’ Lipper division. Accordingly, the Fund’s investment classification/objective continued to be determined by Lipper.

median of the Fund’s Broadridge Expense Group (“EG”)<sup>16</sup> and the Fund’s contractual management fee ranking.<sup>17</sup>

Broadridge describes an EG as a representative sample of comparable funds. Broadridge’s standard methodology for screening funds to be included in an EG entails the consideration of several fund criteria, including fund type, Lipper investment classification/objective, load type and similar 12b-1/non-12b-1 service fees, asset (size) comparability, expense components and attributes. An EG will typically consist of seven to twenty funds.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Contractual Management Fee (%)</u> <sup>18</sup>	<u>Broadridge EG Median (%)</u>	<u>Broadridge EG Rank</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	0.750	0.915	2/11

Broadridge also compared the Fund’s total expense ratio to the medians of the Fund’s EG and Broadridge Expense Universe (“EU”). The EU is a broader group compared to the EG, consisting of all funds that have the same investment classifications/objective and load type as the subject Fund.<sup>19</sup>

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<sup>16</sup> Broadridge does not consider average account size when constructing EGs. Funds with relatively small average account sizes tend to have higher transfer agent expense ratios than comparable sized funds that have relatively large average account sizes. There are limitations to Lipper expense category data because different funds categorize expenses differently.

<sup>17</sup> The contractual management fee is calculated by Broadridge using the Fund’s contractual management fee rate at the hypothetical asset level. The hypothetical asset level is based on the combined net assets of all classes of the Fund, rounded up to the next \$25 million. Broadridge’s total expense ratio information is based on the most recent annual report except as otherwise noted. A ranking of “1” would mean that Fund had the lowest effective fee rate in the Broadridge peer group.

<sup>18</sup> The contractual management fee does not reflect any expense reimbursements made by the Fund to the Adviser for certain clerical, legal, accounting, administrative and other services.

<sup>19</sup> Except for asset (size) comparability, Broadridge uses the same criteria for selecting an EG when selecting an EU. Unlike the EG, the EU allows for the same adviser to be represented by more than just one fund.

<u>Fund</u>	Total Expense Ratio (%) <sup>20</sup>	Broadridge EG <u>Median (%)</u>	Broadridge Group <u>Rank</u>	Broadridge EU <u>Median (%)</u>	Broadridge EU <u>Rank</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	1.456	1.399	9/11	1.394	23/30

Based on this analysis, the Fund has a more favorable ranking on a contractual management fee basis than on a total expense ratio basis.

### III. COSTS TO THE ADVISER AND ITS AFFILIATES OF SUPPLYING SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE MANAGEMENT FEE ARRANGEMENT, EXCLUDING ANY INTRA-CORPORATE PROFIT.

The Adviser utilizes two profitability reporting systems, which operate independently but are aligned with each other, to estimate the Adviser's profitability in connection with investment advisory services provided to the Fund. The Senior Officer has retained a consultant to provide independent advice regarding the alignment of the two profitability systems as well as the methodologies and allocations utilized by both profitability systems. See Section IV for additional discussion.

### IV. PROFIT MARGINS OF THE ADVISER AND ITS AFFILIATES FOR SUPPLYING SUCH SERVICES.

The Fund's profitability information, prepared by the Adviser for the Board of Directors, was reviewed by the Senior Officer and the consultant. The Adviser's profitability from providing investment advisory services to the Fund decreased during calendar year 2015, relative to 2014.

In addition to the Adviser's direct profits from managing the Fund, certain of the Adviser's affiliates have business relationships with the Fund and may earn a profit from providing other services to the Fund. The courts have referred to this type of business

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<sup>20</sup> Most recently completed fiscal year end Class A total expense ratio.

opportunity as “fall-out benefits” to the Adviser and indicated that such benefits should be factored into the evaluation of the total relationship between the Fund and the Adviser. Neither case law nor common business practice precludes the Adviser’s affiliates from earning a reasonable profit on this type of relationship provided the affiliates’ charges and services are competitive and the relationship otherwise complies with the 40 Act restrictions. These affiliates provide transfer agent, distribution and brokerage related services to the Fund and receive transfer agent fees, Rule 12b-1 payments, front-end sales loads, contingent deferred sales charges (“CDSC”) and brokerage commissions. In addition, the Adviser benefits from soft dollar arrangements which offset expenses the Adviser would otherwise incur.

AllianceBernstein Investments, Inc. (“ABI”), an affiliate of the Adviser, is the Fund’s principal underwriter. ABI and the Adviser have disclosed in the Fund’s prospectus that they may make revenue sharing payments from their own resources, in addition to resources derived from sales loads and Rule 12b-1 fees, to firms that sell shares of the Fund. The total amount paid to a financial intermediary associated with the sale of shares will generally not exceed the sum of (a) 0.25% of the current year’s fund sales by that firm and (b) 0.10% of the average daily net assets attributable to that firm over the year. In 2015, ABI paid approximately 0.05% of the average monthly assets of the AB Mutual Funds or approximately \$20 million for distribution services and educational support (revenue sharing payments).

During the Fund’s most recently completed fiscal year, ABI received from the Fund \$8,173, \$2,448,837 and \$18,375 in front-end sales charges, Rule 12b-1 and CDSC fees, respectively.

Fees and reimbursements for out of pocket expenses charged by AllianceBernstein Investor Services, Inc. (“ABIS”), the affiliated transfer agent for the Fund, are charged on a per account basis, based on the level of service provided and the class of share held by the account. ABIS also receives a fee per shareholder sub-account for each account maintained by an intermediary on an omnibus basis. During the Fund’s most recently completed fiscal year, ABIS received \$1,195,545 in fees from the Fund.

The Fund did not effect brokerage transactions and pay commissions to the Adviser’s affiliate, Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., LLC (“SCB & Co.”) nor its U.K. affiliate, Sanford C. Bernstein Limited (“SCB Ltd.”), collectively “SCB,” during the Fund’s most recently completed fiscal year. The Adviser represented that SCB’s profitability from business conducted in the future with the Fund would be comparable to the profitability of SCB’s dealings with other similar third party clients. In the ordinary course of business, SCB receives and pays liquidity rebates from electronic communications networks (“ECNs”) derived from trading for its clients. These credits and charges are not being passed onto any SCB client. The Adviser also receives certain soft dollar benefits from brokers that execute agency trades for its clients. These soft dollar benefits reduce the Adviser’s cost of doing business and increase its profitability.

#### V. POSSIBLE ECONOMIES OF SCALE

The Adviser has indicated that economies of scale are being shared with shareholders through pricing to scale, breakpoints, fee reductions/waivers and enhancement to services.

In May 2012, an independent consultant, retained by the Senior Officer, provided the Board of Directors information on the Adviser’s firm-wide average costs from 2005

through 2011 and the potential economies of scale. The independent consultant noted that from 2005 through 2007 the Adviser experienced significant growth in assets under management (“AUM”). During this period, operating expenses increased, in part to keep up with growth, and in part reflecting market returns. However, from 2008 through the first quarter of 2009, AUM rapidly and significantly decreased due to declines in market value and client withdrawals. When AUM rapidly decreased, some operating expenses categories, including base compensation and office space, adjusted more slowly during this period, resulting in an increase in average costs. Since 2009, AUM has experienced less significant changes. The independent consultant noted that changes in operating expenses reflect changes in business composition and business practices in response to changes in financial markets. Finally, the independent consultant concluded that the increase in average cost and the decline in net operating margin across the Adviser since late 2008 are inconsistent with the view that there are currently reductions in average costs due to economies of scale that can be shared with the AB Mutual Funds managed by the Adviser through lower fees.

In February 2008, the independent consultant provided the Board of Directors an update of Deli’s study on advisory fees and various fund characteristics.<sup>21, 22</sup> The independent consultant first reiterated the results of his previous two dimensional comparison analysis (fund size and family size) with the Board of Directors.<sup>23</sup> The

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<sup>21</sup> The Deli study, originally published in 2002 based on 1997 data and updated for the February 2008 Presentation, may be of diminished value due to the age of the data used in the presentation and the changes experienced in the industry over the last four years. Source: Deli, Daniel N. “Mutual Fund Advisory Contracts: An Empirical Investigation.” *Journal of Finance*, 57(1): 109-133 (2002).

<sup>22</sup> As mentioned previously, the Supreme Court cautioned against accepting mutual fund fee comparisons without careful scrutiny since the fees may not be the product of negotiations conducted at arm’s length. See *Jones V. Harris* at 1529.

<sup>23</sup> The two dimensional analysis showed patterns of lower advisory fees for funds with larger asset sizes and funds from larger family sizes compared to funds with smaller asset sizes and funds from smaller

independent consultant then discussed the results of the regression model that was utilized to study the effects of various factors on advisory fees. The regression model output indicated that the bulk of the variation in fees predicted were explained by various factors, but substantially by fund AUM, family AUM, index fund indicator and investment style. The independent consultant also compared the advisory fees of the AB Mutual Funds to similar funds managed by 19 other large asset managers, regardless of the fund size and each Adviser's proportion of mutual fund assets to non-mutual fund assets.

## VI. NATURE AND QUALITY OF THE ADVISER'S SERVICES, INCLUDING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE FUND

With assets under management of approximately \$479 billion as of March 31, 2016, the Adviser has the investment experience to manage and provide non-investment services (described in Section I) to the Fund.

The information prepared by Broadridge shows the 1, 3, 5 and 10 year performance returns and rankings of the Fund<sup>24</sup> relative to its Broadridge Performance Group ("PG") and Broadridge Performance Universe ("PU")<sup>25</sup> for the periods ended February 29, 2019.<sup>26</sup>

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family sizes, which according to the independent consultant is indicative of a sharing of economies of scale and scope. However, in less liquid and active markets, such is not the case, as the empirical analysis showed potential for diseconomies of scale in those markets. The empirical analysis also showed diminishing economies of scale and scope as funds surpassed a certain high level of assets.

<sup>24</sup> The performance rankings are for the Class A shares of the Fund. The Fund's performance returns shown were provided by Broadridge.

<sup>25</sup> The Fund's PG is identical to the Fund's EG. The Fund's PU is not identical to the Fund's EU as the criteria for including/excluding a fund in/from a PU is somewhat different from that of an EU.

<sup>26</sup> The current Lipper investment classification/objective dictates the PG and PU throughout the life of the fund even if the fund had a different investment classification/objective at a different point in time.

	<u>Fund (%)</u>	<u>PG Median (%)</u>	<u>PU Median (%)</u>	<u>PG Rank</u>	<u>PU Rank</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc. <sup>27</sup>					
1 year	-12.79	-12.44	-11.54	7/11	26/37
3 year	5.05	5.05	5.25	6/11	20/35
5 year	-0.29	4.33	4.53	11/11	31/32
10 year	2.62	3.99	4.10	6/7	13/16

Set forth below are the 1, 3, 5, 10 year and since inception performance returns of the Fund (in bold)<sup>28</sup> versus its benchmark.<sup>29</sup> Fund and benchmark volatility and reward-to-variability ratio (“Sharpe Ratio”) information is also shown.<sup>30</sup>

	Periods Ending February 29, 2016							
	Annualized Performance							
	1 Year (%)	3 Year (%)	5 Year (%)	10 Year (%)	Since Inception (%)	Annualized Volatility (%)	Sharpe Ratio (%)	Risk Period (Year)
<b>Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.</b> <sup>31</sup>	<b>-12.78</b>	<b>5.05</b>	<b>-0.29</b>	<b>2.62</b>	<b>10.74</b>	<b>17.46</b>	<b>0.07</b>	<b>5</b>
MSCI AC World Index (Net)	-12.32	3.67	3.71	3.55	N/A	13.23	0.33	5

*Inception Date: March 1, 1982*

#### CONCLUSION:

Based on the factors discussed above the Senior Officer’s conclusion is that the proposed advisory fee for the Fund is reasonable and within the range of what would

<sup>27</sup> The Fund’s Lipper classification changed in 2008 from Technology Funds to GMLG (Global Multi-Cap Growth Funds) as are result of changes to the Fund’s strategy.

<sup>28</sup> The performance returns and risk measures shown in the table are for the Class A shares of the Fund.

<sup>29</sup> The Adviser provided Fund and benchmark performance return information for periods through February 29, 2016.

<sup>30</sup> Fund and benchmark volatility and Sharpe Ratio information was obtained through Lipper LANA, a database maintained by Lipper. Volatility is a statistical measure of the tendency of a market price or yield to vary over time. A Sharpe Ratio is a risk adjusted measure of return that divides a fund’s return in excess of the riskless return by the fund’s standard deviation. A fund with a greater volatility would be viewed as more risky than a fund with equivalent performance but lower volatility; for that reason, a greater return would be demanded for the more risky fund. A fund with a higher Sharpe Ratio would be viewed as better performing than a fund with a lower Sharpe Ratio.

<sup>31</sup> The Fund’s investment strategy and benchmark changed on November 3, 2008. Accordingly, the more appropriate time period, 5 years, is shown for volatility and Sharpe Ratio measures, instead of 10 years.

have been negotiated at arm's-length in light of all the surrounding circumstances. This conclusion in respect of the Fund is based on an evaluation of all of these factors and no single factor was dispositive.

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<sup>5</sup> Most of the AB Mutual Funds, which the Adviser manages, were affected by the Adviser’s settlement with the NYAG.

<sup>6</sup> The advisory fee is based on the percentage of the Fund’s net assets at quarter end and is paid on a quarterly basis.

<sup>7</sup> Semi-annual total expense ratios are unaudited.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Total Expense Ratio</u> <sup>8</sup>		<u>Fiscal Year</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	Advisor	1.23%	July 31
	Class A	1.50%	(ratios as of
	Class B	2.30%	January 31,
	Class C	2.25%	2015)
	Class R	1.61%	
	Class K	1.30%	
	Class I	0.97%	

#### I. MANAGEMENT FEES CHARGED TO INSTITUTIONAL AND OTHER CLIENTS

The advisory fees charged to investment companies which the Adviser manages and sponsors are normally higher than those charged to similar sized institutional accounts, including pension plans and sub-advised investment companies. The fee differential reflects, among other things, different services provided to such clients, and different liabilities assumed. Services provided by the Adviser to the Fund that are not provided to non-investment company clients and sub-advised investment companies include providing office space and personnel to serve as Fund Officers, who among other responsibilities make the certifications required under the Sarbanes–Oxley Act of 2002, and coordinating with and monitoring the Fund’s third party service providers such as Fund counsel, auditors, custodians, transfer agents and pricing services. The accounting, administrative, legal and compliance requirements for the Fund are more costly than those for institutional assets due to the greater complexities and time required for investment companies, although as previously noted, the Adviser is reimbursed for providing such services. Also, retail mutual funds managed by the Adviser are widely held. Servicing the Fund’s investors is more time consuming and labor intensive compared to institutional clients since the Adviser needs to communicate with a more extensive network of financial intermediaries and shareholders. The Adviser also

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<sup>8</sup> Annualized.

believes that it incurs substantial entrepreneurial risk when offering a new mutual fund since establishing a new mutual fund requires a large upfront investment and it may take a long time for the fund to achieve profitability since the fund must be priced to scale from inception in order to be competitive and assets are acquired one account at a time. In addition, managing the cash flow of an investment company may be more difficult than managing that of a stable pool of assets, such as an institutional account with little cash movement in either direction, particularly, if a fund is in net redemption and the Adviser is frequently forced to sell securities to raise cash for redemptions. However, managing a fund with positive cash flow may be easier at times than managing a stable pool of assets. Finally, in recent years, investment advisers have been sued by institutional clients and have suffered reputational damage both by the attendant publicity and outcomes other than complete victories. Accordingly, the legal and reputational risks associated with institutional accounts are greater than previously thought, although still not equal to those related to the mutual fund industry.

Notwithstanding the Adviser's view that managing an investment company is not comparable to managing other institutional accounts because the services provided are different, the Supreme Court has indicated consideration should be given to the advisory fees charged to institutional accounts with a similar investment style as the Fund.<sup>9</sup> In addition to the AB Institutional fee schedule, set forth below is what would have been the

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<sup>9</sup> The Supreme Court stated that "courts may give such comparisons the weight that they merit in light of the similarities and differences between the services that the clients in question require, but the courts must be wary of inapt comparisons." Among the significant differences the Supreme Court noted that may exist between services provided to mutual funds and institutional accounts are "higher marketing costs." *Jones v. Harris* at 1528.

effective advisory fee of the Fund had the AB Institutional fee schedule been applicable to the Fund based on March 31, 2015 net assets:<sup>10</sup>

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Net Assets 3/31/15 (\$MIL)</u>	<u>AB Institutional Fee Schedule</u>	<u>Effective AB Inst. Adv. Fee</u>	<u>Fund Advisory Fee</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	\$709.4	Global Thematic Research 0.80% on 1 <sup>st</sup> \$25 million 0.60% on next \$25 million 0.50% on next \$50 million 0.40% on next the balance <i>Minimum Account Size: \$25m</i>	0.428%	0.750%

The Adviser also manages the AllianceBernstein Variable Products Series Fund, Inc. (“AVPS”), which is available through variable annuity and variable life contracts offered by other financial institutions and offers policyholders the option to utilize certain AVPS portfolios as the investment option underlying their insurance contracts. Set forth below is the fee schedule of the AVPS portfolio that has a substantially similar investment style as the Fund.<sup>11</sup> Also shown are the Fund’s advisory fee and what would have been the effective advisory fee of the Fund had the AVPS fee schedule been applicable to the Fund based on March 31, 2015 net assets:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>AVPS Portfolio</u>	<u>Fee Schedule</u>	<u>Effective AVPS Adv. Fee</u>	<u>Portfolio Advisory Fee</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc. <sup>12</sup>	Global Thematic Growth Portfolio	0.75% on first \$2.5 billion 0.65% on next \$2.5 billion 0.60% on the balance	0.750%	0.750%

<sup>10</sup> The Adviser has indicated that with respect to institutional accounts with assets greater than \$300 million, it will negotiate a fee schedule. Discounts that are negotiated vary based upon each client relationship.

<sup>11</sup> The AVPS portfolio was also affected by the settlement between the Adviser and the NYAG. As a result, the Fund has the same breakpoints in its advisory fee schedule as the AVPS portfolio.

<sup>12</sup> The advisory fee of AVPS Global Thematic Growth Portfolio is based on the portfolio’s average daily net assets and is paid on a monthly basis, in contrast to the Fund, whose fee is based on the Fund’s net assets at the end of each quarter and is paid to the Adviser quarterly.

The Adviser also manages and sponsors retail mutual funds, which are organized in jurisdictions outside the United States, generally Luxembourg and Japan, and sold to non-United States resident investors. The Adviser charges the fees set forth below for Thematic Research Portfolio, a Luxembourg fund that has a somewhat similar investment style as the Fund.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Luxembourg Fund</u>	<u>Fee</u> <sup>13</sup>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	Thematic Research Growth Portfolio	1.70%
	Class A	
	Class I	0.90%

The Adviser represented that it does not sub-advise any registered investment company with a substantially similar investment style as the Fund.

## II. MANAGEMENT FEES CHARGED BY OTHER MUTUAL FUND COMPANIES FOR LIKE SERVICES.

Lipper, Inc. (“Lipper”), an analytical service that is not affiliated with the Adviser, compared the fees charged to the Fund with fees charged to other investment companies for similar services offered by other investment advisers.<sup>14</sup> Lipper’s analysis included the comparison of the Fund’s contractual management fee, estimated at the approximate current asset level of the Fund, to the median of the Fund’s Lipper Expense Group (“EG”)<sup>15</sup> and the Fund’s contractual management fee ranking.<sup>16</sup>

<sup>13</sup> Class A shares of the Luxembourg funds are charged an “all-in” fee, which includes investment advisory and distribution related services, unlike class I shares, whose fee is for only investment advisory services.

<sup>14</sup> The Supreme Court cautioned against accepting mutual fund fee comparisons without careful scrutiny since “these comparisons are problematic because these fees, like those challenged, may not be the product of negotiations conducted at arm’s length.” *Jones v. Harris* at 1529.

<sup>15</sup> Lipper does not consider average account size when constructing EGs. Funds with relatively small average account sizes tend to have higher transfer agent expense ratio than comparable sized funds that have relatively large average account sizes. Note that there are limitations on Lipper expense category data because different funds categorize expenses differently.

<sup>16</sup> The contractual management fee is calculated by Lipper using the Fund’s contractual management fee rate at a hypothetical asset level. The hypothetical asset level is based on the combined net assets of all

Lipper describes an EG as a representative sample of comparable funds. Lipper’s standard methodology for screening funds to be included in an EG entails the consideration of several fund criteria, including fund type, investment classification/objective, load type and similar 12b-1/non-12b-1 service fees, asset (size) comparability, expense components, operating structure, and expense attributes. An EG will typically consist of seven to twenty funds.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Contractual Management Fee (%)</u> <sup>17</sup>	<u>Lipper EG Median (%)</u>	<u>Lipper EG Rank</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	0.750	0.856	2/9

Lipper also compared the Fund’s most recently completed fiscal year total expense ratio to the medians of the Fund’s EG and Lipper Expense Universe (“EU”). The EU is a broader group compared to the EG, consisting of all funds that have the same investment classifications/objective and load type as the subject Fund.<sup>18</sup> Set forth below is Lipper’s comparison of the Fund’s total expense ratio and the median of the Fund’s EG and EU. The Fund’s total expense ratio ranking is also shown.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Total Expense Ratio (%)</u> <sup>19</sup>	<u>Lipper EG Median (%)</u>	<u>Lipper EG Rank</u>	<u>Lipper EU Median (%)</u>	<u>Lipper EU Rank</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.	1.513	1.423	8/9	1.431	26/36

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classes of the Fund, rounded up to the next \$25 million. Lipper’s total expense ratio information is based on the most recent annual report except as otherwise noted. A ranking of “1” would mean that the Fund had the lowest effective fee rate in the Lipper peer group.

<sup>17</sup> The contractual management fee does not reflect any expense reimbursements made by the Fund to the Adviser for certain clerical, legal, accounting, administrative and other services.

<sup>18</sup> Except for asset (size) comparability, Lipper uses the same criteria for selecting an EG peer when selecting an EU peer. Unlike the EG, the EU allows for the same adviser to be represented by more than just one fund.

<sup>19</sup> Most recently completed fiscal year end Class A total expense ratio.

Based on this analysis, the Fund has a more favorable ranking on a contractual management fee basis than on a total expense ratio basis.

### III. COSTS TO THE ADVISER AND ITS AFFILIATES OF SUPPLYING SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE MANAGEMENT FEE ARRANGEMENT, EXCLUDING ANY INTRA-CORPORATE PROFIT.

The Adviser utilizes two profitability reporting systems, which operate independently but are aligned with each other, to estimate the Adviser's profitability in connection with investment advisory services provided to the Fund. The Senior Officer has retained a consultant to provide independent advice regarding the alignment of the two profitability systems as well as the methodologies and allocations utilized by both profitability systems. See Section IV for additional discussion.

### IV. PROFIT MARGINS OF THE ADVISER AND ITS AFFILIATES FOR SUPPLYING SUCH SERVICES.

The Fund's profitability information, prepared by the Adviser for the Board of Directors, was reviewed by the Senior Officer and the consultant. The Adviser's profitability from providing investment advisory services to the Fund increased during calendar year 2014, relative to 2013.

In addition to the Adviser's direct profits from managing the Fund, certain of the Adviser's affiliates have business relationships with the Fund and may earn a profit from providing other services to the Fund. The courts have referred to this type of business opportunity as "fall-out benefits" to the Adviser and indicated that such benefits should be factored into the evaluation of the total relationship between the Fund and the Adviser. Neither case law nor common business practice precludes the Adviser's affiliates from earning a reasonable profit on this type of relationship provided the affiliates' charges and services are competitive and the relationship otherwise complies with the 40 Act

restrictions. These affiliates provide transfer agent, distribution and brokerage related services to the Fund and receive transfer agent fees, Rule 12b-1 payments, front-end sales loads, contingent deferred sales charges (“CDSC”) and brokerage commissions. In addition, the Adviser benefits from soft dollar arrangements which offset expenses the Adviser would otherwise incur.

AllianceBernstein Investments, Inc. (“ABI”), an affiliate of the Adviser, is the Fund’s principal underwriter. ABI and the Adviser have disclosed in the Fund’s prospectus that they may make revenue sharing payments from their own resources, in addition to resources derived from sales loads and Rule 12b-1 fees, to firms that sell shares of the Fund. The total amount paid to a financial intermediary associated with the sale of shares will generally not exceed the sum of (a) 0.25% of the current year’s fund sales by that firm and (b) 0.10% of the average daily net assets attributable to that firm over the year. In 2014, ABI paid approximately 0.05% of the average monthly assets of the AB Mutual Funds or approximately \$20.4 million for distribution services and educational support (revenue sharing payments).

During the Fund’s most recently completed fiscal year, ABI received from the Fund \$7,434, \$2,815,602 and \$22,204 in front-end sales charges, Rule 12b-1 and CDSC fees, respectively.<sup>20</sup>

Fees and reimbursements for out of pocket expenses charged by AllianceBernstein Investor Services, Inc. (“ABIS”), the affiliated transfer agent for the Fund, are charged on a per account basis, based on the level of service provided and the class of share held by the account. ABIS also receives a fee per shareholder sub-account

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<sup>20</sup> Effective November 1, 2014, ABI implemented a reduction to the Fund’s Class A distribution service payment rate from 0.30% to 0.25%.

for each account maintained by an intermediary on an omnibus basis. During the Fund's most recently completed fiscal year, ABIS received \$1,375,970 in fees from the Fund.

The Fund effected brokerage transactions through the Adviser's affiliate, Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., LLC ("SCB & Co.") and/or its U.K. affiliate, Sanford C. Bernstein Limited ("SCB Ltd."), collectively "SCB," and paid commissions during the Fund's most recently completed fiscal year. The Adviser represented that SCB's profitability from business conducted with the Fund is comparable to the profitability of SCB's dealings with other similar third party clients. In the ordinary course of business, SCB receives and pays liquidity rebates from electronic communications networks ("ECNs") derived from trading for its clients, including the Fund. These credits and charges are not being passed onto any SCB client. The Adviser also receives certain soft dollar benefits from brokers that execute agency trades for the Fund and other clients. These soft dollar benefits reduce the Adviser's cost of doing business and increase its profitability.

#### V. POSSIBLE ECONOMIES OF SCALE

The Adviser has indicated that economies of scale are being shared with shareholders through pricing to scale, breakpoints, fee reductions/waivers and enhancement to services.

In May 2012, an independent consultant, retained by the Senior Officer, provided the Board of Directors information on the Adviser's firm-wide average costs from 2005 through 2011 and the potential economies of scale. The independent consultant noted that from 2005 through 2007 the Adviser experienced significant growth in assets under management ("AUM"). During this period, operating expenses increased, in part to keep up with growth, and in part reflecting market returns. However, from 2008 through the

first quarter of 2009, AUM rapidly and significantly decreased due to declines in market value and client withdrawals. When AUM rapidly decreased, some operating expenses categories, including base compensation and office space, adjusted more slowly during this period, resulting in an increase in average costs. Since 2009, AUM has experienced less significant changes. The independent consultant noted that changes in operating expenses reflect changes in business composition and business practices in response to changes in financial markets. Finally, the independent consultant concluded that the increase in average cost and the decline in net operating margin across the Adviser since late 2008 are inconsistent with the view that there are currently reductions in average costs due to economies of scale that can be shared with the AB Mutual Funds managed by the Adviser through lower fees.

Previously, in February 2008, the independent consultant provided the Board of Directors an update of the Deli<sup>21</sup> study on advisory fees and various fund characteristics.<sup>22</sup> The independent consultant first reiterated the results of his previous two dimensional comparison analysis (fund size and family size) with the Board of Directors.<sup>23</sup> The independent consultant then discussed the results of the regression model that was utilized to study the effects of various factors on advisory fees. The regression model output indicated that the bulk of the variation in fees predicted were

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<sup>21</sup> The Deli study, originally published in 2002 based on 1997 data and updated for the February 2008 Presentation, may be of diminished value due to the age of the data used in the presentation and the changes experienced in the industry over the last four years.

<sup>22</sup> As mentioned previously, the Supreme Court cautioned against accepting mutual fund fee comparisons without careful scrutiny since the fees may not be the product of negotiations conducted at arm's length. See *Jones V. Harris* at 1529.

<sup>23</sup> The two dimensional analysis showed patterns of lower advisory fees for funds with larger asset sizes and funds from larger family sizes compared to funds with smaller asset sizes and funds from smaller family sizes, which according to the independent consultant is indicative of a sharing of economies of scale and scope. However, in less liquid and active markets, such is not the case, as the empirical analysis showed potential for diseconomies of scale in those markets. The empirical analysis also showed diminishing economies of scale and scope as funds surpassed a certain high level of assets.

explained by various factors, but substantially by fund AUM, family AUM, index fund indicator and investment style. The independent consultant also compared the advisory fees of the AB Mutual Funds to similar funds managed by 19 other large asset managers, regardless of the fund size and each Adviser’s proportion of mutual fund assets to non-mutual fund assets.

## VI. NATURE AND QUALITY OF THE ADVISER’S SERVICES, INCLUDING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE FUND

With assets under management of approximately \$486 billion as of March 31, 2015, the Adviser has the investment experience to manage and provide non-investment services (described in Section I) to the Fund.

The information prepared by Lipper shows the 1, 3, 5 and 10 year performance returns and rankings of the Fund<sup>24</sup> relative to its Lipper Performance Group (“PG”) and Lipper Performance Universe (“PU”)<sup>25</sup> for the periods ended February 28, 2015.<sup>26</sup>

	<u>Fund (%)</u>	<u>PG Median (%)</u>	<u>PU Median (%)</u>	<u>PG Rank</u>	<u>PU Rank</u>
Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc. <sup>27</sup>					
1 year	5.58	3.46	5.39	3/9	23/46
3 year	9.41	12.60	12.59	9/9	38/44
5 year	7.60	10.66	11.09	9/9	28/29
10 year	5.42	6.24	6.71	5/5	12/14

<sup>24</sup> The performance rankings are for the Class A shares of the Fund. The Fund’s performance returns shown were provided by Lipper.

<sup>25</sup> The Fund’s PG is identical to the Fund’s EG. The Fund’s PU is not identical to the Fund’s EU as the criteria for including/excluding a fund in/from a PU is somewhat different from that of an EU.

<sup>26</sup> The current Lipper investment classification/objective dictates the PG and PU throughout the life of the fund even if a fund had a different investment classification/objective at a different point in time.

<sup>27</sup> The Fund’s Lipper classification changed in 2008 from Technology Funds to GMLG (Global Multi-Cap Growth Funds) as are result of changes to the Fund’s strategy.

Set forth below are the 1, 3, 5, 10 year and since inception performance returns of the Fund (in bold)<sup>28</sup> versus its benchmark.<sup>29</sup> Fund and benchmark volatility and reward-to-variability ratio (“Sharpe Ratio”) information is also shown.<sup>30</sup>

	Periods Ending February 28, 2015							
	Annualized Performance							
	1 Year (%)	3 Year (%)	5 Year (%)	10 Year (%)	Since Inception (%)	Annualized Volatility (%)	Annualized Sharpe (%)	Risk Period (Year)
<b>Global Thematic Growth Fund, Inc.</b> <sup>31</sup>	<b>5.58</b>	<b>9.42</b>	<b>7.60</b>	<b>5.42</b>	<b>11.55</b>	<b>18.45</b>	<b>0.48</b>	<b>5</b>
MSCI AC World Index (Net)	7.55	11.57	10.71	6.37	N/A	14.46	0.77	5

*Inception Date: March 1, 1982*

CONCLUSION:

The Senior Officer observed that the Fund has a relatively high total expense ratio compared to its Lipper peer, and recommended that the Directors consider discussing with the Adviser to reduce the Fund’s total expense ratio. Based on the factors discussed above the Senior Officer’s conclusion is that the proposed advisory fee for the Fund is reasonable and within the range of what would have been negotiated at arm’s-length in light of all the surrounding circumstances. This conclusion in respect of the Fund is based on an evaluation of all of these factors and no single factor was dispositive.

Dated: June 5, 2015

<sup>28</sup> The performance returns and risk measures shown in the table are for the Class A shares of the Fund.

<sup>29</sup> The Adviser provided Fund and benchmark performance return information for periods through February 28, 2015.

<sup>30</sup> Fund and benchmark volatility and Sharpe Ratio information was obtained through Lipper LANA, a database maintained by Lipper. Volatility is a statistical measure of the tendency of a market price or yield to vary over time. The Sharpe Ratio is a risk adjusted measure of return that divides a fund’s return in excess of the riskless return by the fund’s standard deviation. A fund with a greater volatility would be viewed as more risky than a fund with equivalent performance but lower volatility; for that reason, a greater return would be demanded for the more risky fund. A fund with a higher Sharpe Ratio would be viewed as better performing than a fund with a lower Sharpe Ratio.

<sup>31</sup> The Fund’s investment strategy and benchmark changed on November 3, 2008. Accordingly, the more appropriate time period, 5 years, is shown for volatility and Sharpe Ratio measures, instead of 10 years.