

# AB Managed Volatility Equities—Carbon Offset Class

#### **Investment Return Objective**

AB Managed Volatility Equities—Carbon Offset Class (Carbon Offset Class) aims to achieve returns that exceed the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index after fees over the medium to long term and to reduce carbon emissions associated with its portfolio holdings.

## Why Consider investing in Carbon Offset Class?

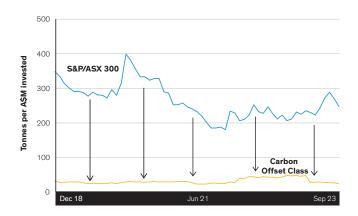
Carbon Offset Class is designed for equity investors seeking:

- Lower volatility
- · Reduced downside risk in falling equity markets
- The potential for long term capital growth and some income, including franked Australian dividend income and
- An investment which aims to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions associated with its portfolio holdings.

#### Carbon Emissions of Portfolio and S&P/ASX 300

Annual Scope 1+2+F CO<sub>2</sub> Equivalent Emissions per A\$M Invested as of December 31, 2023.

Figures represent the net greenhouse gas emissions associated with the portfolio's holdings and the index.



~AB Managed Volatilities Equities – Carbon Offset Class is a unit class of the AllianceBernstein Managed Volatility Equities Fund ARSN 099 739 447

	Tonnes per A\$M Invested					
	Dec 2022	Mar 2022	Jun 2022	Sep 2023	Dec 2023	Since Inception *
S&P/ASX 300	248	255	254	288	268	281
Carbon Offset Class	41	45	29	29	26	32
Reduction	84%	82%	89%	90%	90%	89%

#### **Note About Emissions:**

Scope 1 emissions per annum are released directly into the atmosphere through the combustion of fossil fuels (e.g., coal or transport fuels) as well as fugitive or process emissions from industrial and agricultural processes (e.g., cement production). Scope 2 emissions per annum are from the consumption of energy such as electricity or steam (e.g., the electricity consumed by an aluminium smelter). Scope F emissions per annum are released by the future combustion of fossil fuels that have been produced and instead of being consumed are sold to a third party for them to combust (e.g., the coal extracted and then sold by a coal miner).

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### **Carbon Emissions of Top 10 Emitters in Portfolio**

Figures represent the net greenhouse gas emissions associated with the portfolio's holdings

#	Stock	Emissions* (kt)	Market Cap (A\$M)	Stock Emissions* per A\$M invested	Contribution to Portfolio Emissions* (t/A\$M)
1	Rio Tinto	30,300	186,986	162	7.3
2	APA Group	1,512	10,956	138	5.8
3	Coles	1,536	21,561	71	3.5
4	Woolworths	2,010	45,443	44	2.1
5	Evolution Mining	549	7,823	70	1.2
6	Telstra	911	45,756	20	1.0
7	Newmont	4,483	69,908	64	0.8
8	Ampol	971	8,615	113	0.7
9	Northern Star Resources	1,190	15,687	76	0.7
10	Inghams Group	216	1,472	147	0.7
	Other Fund Holdings	-	-	-	2.2
	Total	-	-	-	26.1
	Index	-	_	_	268

<sup>\*</sup>Annual Scope 1+2+FCO, Equivalent Emissions as of December 31, 2023

#### **Carbon Offsetting**

Carbon Offset Class seeks to reduce the net greenhouse gas emissions associated with the portfolio holdings by engaging third parties to facilitate the cancellation or retirement of carbon credits.

255 294 433 410	Associated Carbon Credit Projects  Paroowidgee & Quimby Forest & Lakemere Human-Induced Regeneration Projects  Hillview Park Regeneration Project  The Kasigau Corridor REDD Project & Paroo River South Environmental Project  Cudgee Regeneration Project & Cordillera Azul National Park REDD Project
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	Cudgee Regeneration Project & Cordillera Azul National Park REDD Project
388	Wiralla Regeneration Project & Southern Cardamom REDD+ Project
458	Hillview Park Regeneration Project & Pacajai REDD+ Project
435	Curranyalpa Human-Induced Regeneration Project & Rio Anapu-Pacaja REDD Project
295	Munda Munda Regeneration Project & Wind Power Project Tamil Nadu by Green Infra Renewable Energy
297	South-East Arnhem Land Fire Abatement (SEALFA) Project
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286	Bierbank & Lanheme Regeneration Project
280	Bierbank & Lanheme Regeneration Project
280	Paroo River South Environmental Project
270	Paroo River South Environmental Project
255	West Arnhem Land Fire Abatement Project
258	Central Arnhem Land Fire Abatement Project
240	Northern Savanna Project
250	West Arnhem Land Fire Abatement Project
226	Colodon Great Barrier Reef
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Carbon Offset Class will enter into arrangements with third parties to have carbon credits cancelled or retired. A carbon offset (also known as a carbon credit) is an undertaking which is intended to prevent, reduce or remove greenhouse gas emissions from being generated or released into the atmosphere to compensate (or offset) for emissions occurring elsewhere. We will use third party and internally generated information to estimate the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the Carbon Offset Class holdings and the costs associated with offsetting these greenhouse gas emissions. There is a risk that net greenhouse gas emissions associated with the Carbon Offset Class holdings are not offset or reduced. This could be due to various reasons including but not limited to potential inaccuracies or omissions in the data or models we use to estimate greenhouse gas emissions, a failure by an appointed third party service provider, ineffective or incomplete carbon abatement from projects tied to carbon credits, insufficient supply of carbon credits in the market, or the cost to reduce greenhouse gas emissions rise to the extent that offsetting greenhouse gas emissions is no longer viable. There is no guarantee that the net greenhouse gas emissions of the Carbon Offset Class investment activities will always be offset or reduced.

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Source: S&P Dow Jones, company reports and AB analysis

 $Persons\ who\ are\ Qualified\ Investors^*\ may\ apply\ to\ invest\ in\ Carbon\ Offset\ Class\ via\ the\ Information\ Memorandum\ (IM).$ 

\*Qualified Investors are defined in the IM as wholesale persons for the purposes of Part 7.9 of the Corporations Act

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