

Other important information

I think we're still going through that f nal phase of U.S. Federal Reserve ("Fed") tightening, and we don't yet know the full impact on corporate prof ts Instead, adjust your bond-stock mix. But bond prices have dropped signif cantly, and so, as you will see at the

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raising rates and changing its balance sheet actions, which doesn't create a great environment for f nancial

There are three things investors are facing, none of which is particularly positive for f nancial assets.

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f ghting is wage infation. That is the kind of infation that is endemic and hard to manage once it takes hold, not least because it creates a spiraling ef ect. I think the Fed knows it can't control oil prices or supply chain directly, but it wants to manage this wage infation psychology.

Services typically don't refect the price of commodities and, in 2022, we saw services inf ation increase signif cantly. That's not slowing down, and this is a battle the Fed is f ghting that I think will last for an

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like Larry Summers believe that stimulus spending during the pandemic led to infation, so we're unlikely to

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Both Chinese and European growth, for dif erent reasons, were slow in 2022. Over the last 20 years, U.S. and

rates, no government spending growth and tepid global growth. We will need upside corporate prof tability

However, after the 2022 losses, bond investments are now of ering attractive yields, so this is currently our

can of er adequate returns, as they did in the 1970s even though that decade was the worst for interest rates

We thank you for investing in VanEck's investment strategies. On the following pages, you will f nd a performance discussion and f nancial statements for the Fund for the twelve month period ended December 31, 2022. As always, we value your continued conf dence in us and look forward to helping you meet your



Jan F. van Eck CEO and President VanEck VIP Trust

a signif cant input cost). Record natural gas prices stalled fertilizer production in Europe for a short period of

## Renewable & Alternative Energy

Europe were insuf cient at of setting a number of headwinds experienced throughout the course of the year.

## **Fund Review**

Top contributors to Fund performance included oil & gas ref ner, Valero Energy Corporation (4.0% of Fund

net assets\*) and ConocoPhillips Company (2.6% of Fund net assets\*). While all three companies benef ted from general strength in underlying commodity markets, Valero, in particular, benef tted from strong

gold miner, Newmont Corporation (1.1% of Fund net assets\*) and renewable energy project f nancier,

Armstrong suf ered from macroeconomic and industry-specif c headwinds—including fatigue with growth

Notable new positions taken in the Portfolio during the period included diversif ed metals and mining



Portfolio Manager



Deputy Portfolio Manager

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All indices are unmanaged and include the reinvestment of all dividends, but do not refect the payment of transaction costs, advisory fees or expenses that are associated with an investment in the Fund. Certain indices may take into account withholding taxes. An index's performance is not illustrative of the Fund's performance. Indices are not securities in which investments can be made.

<sup>1</sup>S&P® North American Natural Resources Sector (SPGINRTR) Index includes mining, energy, paper and forest products, and plantation-owning companies, but excludes the chemicals industry and steel sub-industry.

<sup>2</sup>S&P® Global Natural Resources Index (SPGNRUT) includes 90 of the largest publicly-traded companies in natural resources and commodities businesses that meet specific investability requirements, of ering investors diversified and investable equity exposure across three primary commodity-related sectors: agribusiness, energy, and metals & mining.

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Level 2 — Signif cant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates,

Level 3 — Signif cant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair

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or contractual amount. Derivative instruments may involve a high degree of f nancial risk. The use of

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These risks include devaluation of currencies, less reliable information about issuers, dif erent securities and political conficts, or natural or other disasters, such as the coronavirus outbreak. Additionally, the Fund securities fail f nancially. The value of loaned securities and related cash collateral, if any, at

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**Opinion on the Financial Statements** 

including the related notes, and the fnancial highlights for the year ended December 31, 2022 (collectively

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