Nuance Concentrated Value Perspectives Discussion



September 30, 2012

Commentary with President and Chief Investment Officer Scott A. Moore, CFA

The Nuance Concentrated Value Composite is a classic value investment product investing primarily in the equity or equity-linked securities of United States based companies. The product will typically maintain 15-35 positions in the securities of companies that, in the opinion of the Nuance Investments Team, have leading and sustainable market share positions, above average financial strength, and are trading at prices materially below our internally derived view of intrinsic value. The product's primary benchmark is the Russell 3000 Value Index. Clients may also compare the product to the S&P 500 Index.

Performance Update

Since its inception on November 13, 2008, the Nuance Concentrated Value Composite (through September 30, 2012) is up 20.83 percent (annualized and net of fees) versus the Russell 3000 Value Index up 13.16 percent and the S&P 500 Index up 15.03 percent.

For the first nine months of 2012 (ending September 30, 2012), the Nuance Concentrated Value Composite was up 12.07 percent (net of fees) versus the Russell 3000 Value Index up 15.68 percent and the S&P 500 index up 16.45 percent.

Comparing our product to peers also displays excellent results since our inception. On a total return basis, we now rank 15th of 1,170 members (1st percentile) in the Morningstar Large Value Peer Group. Versus the Lipper Multi-Cap Value Funds Peer Group we ranked 14th out of 247 members (1st percentile).

Comparing ourselves to these same peer groups on a risk-adjusted return basis (as measured by Sharpe Ratio), the Nuance Concentrated Value Composite also faired quite well. The product ranked 1st out of 1,170 members (1st percentile) in the Morningstar Large Value Peer Group. Versus the Lipper Multi-Cap Value Funds Peer Group we ranked 2nd out of 247 members (1st percentile). The Sharpe Ratio is calculated by subtracting the return of the risk-free index (Citigroup 3-month Treasury Bill) from the Composite return divided by the Standard Deviation of the Composite to get the risk-adjusted return.

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Separate Account Morningstar® Rating



Morningstar Rating Overall: 5 Stars Category: Large Value Number Rated: 469 ¹

The top 10% of separate accounts in a category earn 5 stars.

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President and Chief Investment Officer

- 21+ years of investment analyst experience
- 19+ years of classic value investment experience
- 13+ years of portfolio management experience using a classic value approach
- Co-owner and founder of Nuance Investments, LLC
- Lead Portfolio manager of the Morningstar 5-Star rated Nuance Concentrated Value Separate Account product²
- Lead Portfolio manager of the Morningstar 4-Star rated Nuance Mid Cap Value Separate Account product ²
- Former Sr. Portfolio Manager at American Century Investments managing over \$10 billion

						Since Inception	
			3 Years	Since Inception	Since Inception	Standard	Since Inception
11/13/2008 - 09/30/2012	YTD 2012	1 Year	APR	APR	Return	Deviation (A)	Sharpe Ratio (A)
Nuance Concentrated Value Composite (Gross)	12.49	24.86	15.41	21.39	112.12	2 14.99 1.40	
Nuance Concentrated Value Composite (Net)	12.07	24.26	14.82	4.82 20.83 108.33 14.99		14.95	1.37
Russell 3000 Value Index	15.68	31.12	11.86	13.16	61.60	19.27	0.67
S&P 500 Index	16.45	30.21	13.19	15.03	72.22	17.29	0.85
		11/13/08 - 12/31/08		2	2009		2011
Nuance Concentrated Value Composite (Gross)		4.47		42.21		18.79	6.85
uance Concentrated Value Composite (Net)		4.47		41.72		18.13	6.29
Russell 3000 Value Index	sell 3000 Value Index		0.38	19	.78	16.26	(0.06)
&P 500 Index			(0.47)	26	.47	15.06	

Peer Group Analysis 11/30/2008 - 09/30/2012

	Since Inception APR	Standard Deviation (A)	Sharpe Ratio (A)	
Nuance Concentrated Value Composite (Gross)	20.52	15.11	1.35	
Nuance Concentrated Value Composite (Net)	19.93	15.08	1.31	
Morningstar Large Value Peer Group (median)	13.46	18.46	0.73	
Peer Group Percentile	1st	8th	1st	
Peer Group Ranking	15 of 1,170	99 of 1,170	1 of 1,170	
Lipper Multi-Cap Value Funds Peer Group (median)	15.22	19.62	0.74	
Peer Group Percentile	1st	1st	1st	
Peer Group Ranking	14 of 247	3 of 247	2 of 247	

Portfolio Attribution and Investment Strategy Review:

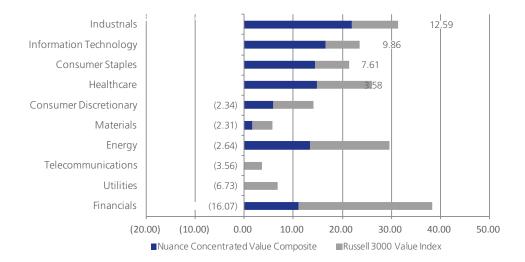
The bright spots in your portfolio for the first nine months of 2012 centered on the Utility sector as well as several individual stocks including Steris Corporation (STE), Northern Trust Corporation (NTRS), Hasbro Inc. (HAS), and Charles Schwab Corp. (SCHW). Within the Utility sector our underweight stance in this underperforming sector helped us. We have discussed our view of the risks of high dividend yielding stocks in earlier commentaries and continue to be concerned about these stocks.

There were three primary detractors of performance during the first nine months. These sectors all went up during the period, just not enough to keep up with the market for these nine months. The Financial sector lagged as mega-cap banks finally made a sharp move upward and we did not have exposure in this area. The Consumer Staples sector was also a drag on performance primarily due to the underperformance of Kellogg Inc (K). Due to that underperformance we have added materially to our position in this leading packaged food company. And lastly, the Technology sector hurt us during the period as our stock selections within this space did not keep up with the market. We continue to like the Technology space and are adding to our positions on this relative underperformance.

Going forward, we continue to find opportunities in the Healthcare, Industrial, and Technology sectors as they have been lagging within the marketplace over the last year. We continue to be underweight in the Utility sector and the Real Estate Investment Trust Industry. Those industries appear overvalued due to the market's current appetite for companies with a historically high dividend payout ratios and their subsequently high absolute dividend yield. We believe that while yield is a very important part of the total return equation, simply looking for high yielding stocks does not lead to outperformance.

Nuance Concentrated Value Composite vs Russell 3000 Value Index

Sector Diversification as of 09/30/2012

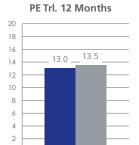


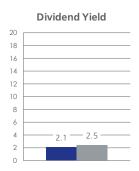
Composition of the Portfolio

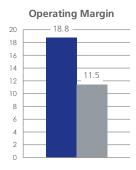
We continue to be pleased with the overall composition of the portfolio. Remember that we are seeking to find investment opportunities in leading business franchises with better than average valuation support. Using the table below, you can see that the portfolio has a Price to Earnings ratio of 13.0 x versus the Russell 3000 Value Index of 13.5 x. We are achieving this ratio with a portfolio of companies that have returns on equity of 15.1 percent versus the Russell 3000 Value Index of 10.6 percent. This dichotomy of above average companies selling at below average multiples is a recipe for outperformance over the long term in our opinion.

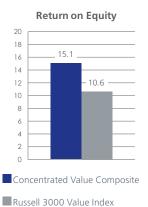
Characteristics as of 09/30/2012	Nuance Concentrated Value Composite	Russell 3000 Value Index
Weighted Average Market Cap	22.2b	87.6b
Median Market Cap	11.2b	0.9b
PE Trailing 12 Months	13.0x	13.5x
Dividend Yield	2.1%	2.5%
Operating Margin	18.8%	11.5%
Return on Equity	15.1%	10.6%
Return on Assets	4.4%	2.2%
Number of Securities	28	1,152

Composite & Index statistics provided by Bloomberg using holdings at market close on the date stated, including cash and cash equivalents.









Stocks added to your portfolio (during September 2012):

Metlife Inc. (MET): MET provides insurance, employee benefits, and financial services with operations worldwide. This leading market share company has taken market share from its peers over the last five years and we think is on track to sustain these share gains. Further, since the financial collapse of 2008 and 2009, MET has improved its capital position and overall investment portfolio while watching its stock fall to very low levels relative to its current book value. At today's prices, we believe the risks related to MET's investment portfolio and business are discounted meaningfully and we see significant catalysts to improve the valuation over the next few years.

MKS Instrument Inc. (MSKI): This small cap technology company manufactures and supplies instruments and components used to control and analyze gases in semiconductor and industrial manufacturing processes. MKSI Is the leader in this business with stable market share. Further, the company is earning below its earnings and cash flow potential due to excess capacity in the semiconductor space. Lastly, the company has over \$11 per share of cash on its balance sheet which gives it ample financial flexibility to support its stock price over time.

Stocks sold from your portfolio (during September 2012):

US Ecology Inc (ECOL): We sold our position in ECOL after a sharp period of outperformance led the stock back towards our internal view of fair value. We continue to like this hazardous waste disposal company and will look to find opportunities to purchase the stock in the future.

Quarterly Review and Outlook

It is finally time to talk about underperformance for the Nuance Concentrated Value product. Since our inception in 2008, we have outperformed our primary benchmarks in 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011. So maybe we are due for some underperformance. Thus far this year we are up 12.07 percent (net of fees) versus our primary benchmark (the Russell 3000 Value index) up 15.68 percent. This mathematically translates to 3.61 percent of underperformance this year. Certainly this is not something we want to have happen, but as experienced investors we are realistic enough to realize that these periods do indeed happen and that they are actually quite normal.

So why do we underperform from time to time and what do we do to fix it? First we underperform because our stocks do not perform as well as those in our index. This happens when several of the stocks we see as undervalued are not yet seeing fundamental improvement significant enough for the market to take notice. For example, one of our worst performing stocks this year is Ultra Petroleum Corp. (UPL). This low cost supplier of natural gas is currently earning below trend levels of earning and cash flow due to below normal natural gas prices. Your team believes that natural gas is an undervalued commodity due to excess supply that is currently in the marketplace. Over time, we believe that natural gas will take market share from fuels like oil, propane, and coal for a variety of energy needs. As that market share happens, above-average growth for natural gas will ensue and the oversupply will naturally correct. This will lead to higher natural gas prices and higher earnings and cash flows for UPL. While that is our belief, it might take some patience for our thesis to unfold. Thus far this year, that is happening with UPL as the stock has lagged.

So what does the UPL story mean? It is a reminder that during certain periods, stocks and markets will not agree with what our team believes. And during those periods we might just underperform. Importantly, during periods of underperformance we continue to do what we always do. Search the world for leading business franchises with sustainable competitive positions and analyzable financial statements and value. We do this to provide our clients with what we believe is a high quality portfolio of undervalued companies. While UPL's underperformance made us re-review our thesis over the last few months, the bottom line is that we have chosen to continue to own the stock because we think the future is much brighter than the current fundamentals and market price suggest. Further, the fact that the market has disagreed with us for the first nine month of the year means little. We just continue to focus on our process and providing you with excellent businesses at inexpensive valuations.

Again, our team appreciates your confidence and trust. Overall, we are gratified to have delivered above-average results for our clients with below-average risk since our inception nearly four years ago.

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Thank you for your continued confidence and support.

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	Gross of Fees Return	Net of Fees Return	Benchmark Return (RAV Index)	Benchmark Return (SPX Index)	Composite Dispersion (Full Period)	Number of Separate Accounts (End of Period)	Total Compos- ite Assets (End of Period)	Total Firm Assets (End of Period)	% of Non- Fee paying accounts	3 Year Annualized Standard Deviation (Composite Gross)	3 Year Annualized Standard Deviation (RAV Index)
YTD 2008 (11/13/08-12/31/08)	4.47	4.47	0.38	(0.47)	N/A	7	\$9,126,951	\$18,657,997	4.57%	-	-
2009	42.21	41.72	19.78	26.47	1.34	79	\$87,342,803	\$137,943,058	0.60%	-	-
2010	18.79	18.13	16.26	15.06	0.44	145	\$119,543,453	\$181,201,036	0.46%	-	-
2011	6.85	6.29	(0.06)	2.11	0.59	181	\$96,831,359	\$152,976,943	0.85%	16.09	21.31
YTD 2012 (09/30/2012)	12.49	12.07	15.68	16.45	N/A	243	\$141,548,953	\$206,544,761	0.80%	13.28	16.40

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