# Monthly NTA statement



# Acorn Capital Investment Fund

#### Key company details

ASX Code: ACQ/ACQO
Listing Date: 1 May 2014
Shares on issue: 50,820,001
Options on issue: 50,820,000

#### Objective

The Objective is to create a diversified portfolio of listed microcap companies and then to invest opportunistically in unlisted entities that offer better relative value. The performance objective for ACQ is to outperform the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index over the medium to long term.

#### Investment philosophy

The investment philosophy is based on a belief that there are pricing inefficiencies amongst microcap companies due to a lack of readily available external research conducted on such entities.

Acorn Capital believes that through a research driven investment process the pricing inefficiencies that exist in both listed microcaps and unlisted microcaps can be exploited to earn returns superior to those available in the broader market.

Unlisted microcap opportunities must be of better relative value on a risk-adjusted basis to displace existing listed portfolio investments in the corresponding sector.

### Strategy

- Research-driven stock selection
- Economic sector diversified
- Style agnostic
- Long term investor
- Create diversified portfolios to reduce volatility

### Company profile

Acorn Capital Investment Fund Limited provides investors with an opportunity to invest in a diversified portfolio of listed and unlisted microcap companies.

### Manager profile

Established in 1998 Acorn Capital is a specialist Australian microcap manager with approximately \$1.15 billion under management.

# Net Tangible Asset Backing Per Ordinary Share (all figures unaudited)

NTA before any tax effect	\$0.9951
NTA after tax excluding tax liability on unrealised gains	\$1.0030
NTA after tax	\$0.9919

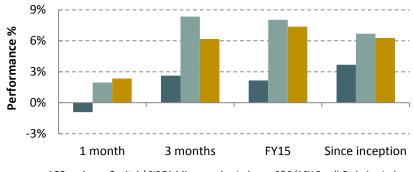
NTA does not include dilution from 50,820,000 outstanding ACQO options.

# Performance (August 2014) (all figures unaudited)

In August ACQ recorded performance of  $-0.91\%^1$ . Portfolio construction is now substantially complete, which should reduce distortions created by the portfolio construction process in future performance. The ACQ share price decreased from \$0.935 to \$0.92. The exchange traded options, ACQO last traded in August at \$0.03.

Period	1 month	3 months	FY15	Since inception <sup>2</sup>
ACQ 1	-0.91%	+2.63%	+2.16%	+3.68%
Acorn Capital / SIRCA Microcap Acc Index <sup>3</sup>	+1.96%	+8.35%	+8.03%	+6.68%
S&P/ASX Small Ords Acc Index ('Benchmark')	+2.34%	+6.17%	+7.37%	+6.26%
Outperformance Relative to Benchmark	-3.25%	-3.54%	-5.21%	-2.58%

- Portfolio performance is post all operating expenses, excluding management fees, taxes and initial IPO and placement commissions. Performance has not been grossed up for franking credits received by shareholders
- 2. Inception is 1 May 2014
- 3. Acorn Capital / SIRCA Microcap Accumulation Index data is verified 3 months in arrears by SIRCA ('Securities Industry Research Centre of Asia-Pacific')



■ ACQ ■ Acorn Capital / SIRCA Microcap Acc Index ■ S&P/ASX Small Ords Acc Index

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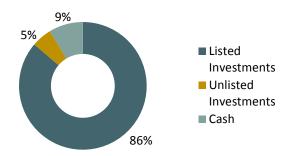
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### **Month in Review**

During this month Acorn Capital had direct contact with over 197 listed and unlisted microcap companies. ACQ made an unlisted investment into amaysim Australia Pty. Ltd., which represented its fourth unlisted investment.

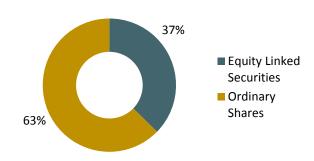
## **Portfolio Profile**

As at 31 August 2014 ACQ had 86%, 5% and 9% in listed investments, unlisted investments and cash, respectively.



### **Investment Instrument**

Unlisted investments can be classified by the type of investment instrument as follows:

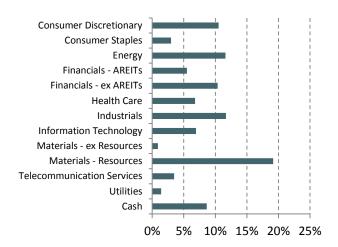


1. Equity Linked Securities include convertible debt, debt with attaching warrants, options or shares and such similar instruments

Listed and unlisted investments are revalued in accordance with policies adopted by the Board of ACQ. Listed investments are valued at closing bid price.

## **Industry Weight**

As at 31 August 2014, the ACQ investment portfolio had the following industry weights:



## **Top 10 Stocks**

The ACQ Investment Portfolio held 83 stocks as at 31 August 2014. Top 10 largest stock holdings within the ACQ Investment Portfolio are:

Company	Portfolio Weight as at 31 August 2014
1. Servcorp	4.04%
2. Sundance Energy	3.34%
3. Horizon Oil	2.82%
4. Papillon Resources	2.56%
5. eServGlobal	2.04%
6. iCar Asia	2.02%
7. ayamsim Australia	1.96%
8. Sub161	1.89%
9. Generation Healthcare	1.89%
10. Watpac	1.75%

### **Further Information**

Benchmark	S&P/ASX Small Ords Accumulation Index
ACQ Market Capitalisation (31 August 2014)	\$46.754 million
Options on issue	50,820,000
Exercise price of Options	\$1.00
Last date options can be exercised	24 October 2015



## **Corporate Directory**

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