



ABOUT US: UIL Limited (formerly Utilico Investments Limited) is a closed end investment company, traded on the London Stock Exchange, registered in Bermuda. Registered No 39480.

OBJECTIVE: To maximise shareholder returns by identifying and making investments where the underlying value is not reflected in the market price.

INVESTMENT APPROACH: To seek to invest in undervalued investments. This perceived undervaluation may arise from any number of factors, including technological change, market motivation, prospective financial engineering opportunities, competition, management underperformance or shareholder apathy. The Company has the flexibility to make investments in a wide range of sectors and markets.

# DECEMBER 2017

ORDINARY SHARES	Ticker: UTL.L
NAV at launch of UIT*	99.47p
NAV (cum income)	266.91p
Share Price	163.50p
Discount to Diluted NAV	(38.7%)
Annual average compound return (including dividends	12.0%
Historic Dividend paid per share	7.50p
Historic Dividend Yield	4.6%
Ongoing charges figure excluding performance fees	2.1%
Shares in issue	90,197,208

<sup>\*</sup> Utilico Investment Trust plc ("UIT") - UIL Limited's predecessor

ZDP SHARES	2018	2020	2022	2024
Accrued Capital Entitlement	151.38p	126.99p	109.63p	100.73p
Share Price	157.38p	143.75p	124.50p	105.25p
Premium to NAV	4.0%	13.2%	13.6%	4.5%
ZDP Cover*	5.32x	3.19x	2.14x	1.64x
Yield to Redemption*	2.4%	2.7%	3.5%	4.1%
ZDP Redemption Value	160.52p	154.90p	146.99p	138.35p
Shares in issue	32.7m	39.0m	50.0m	50.0m
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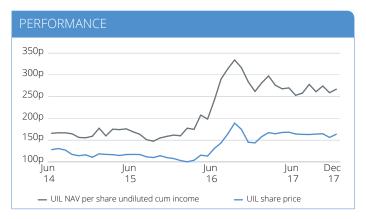
<sup>\*</sup>Based on final redemption values

CAPITAL STRUCTURE	
Gross Assets less Current Liabilities	£481.1m
Bank and other Debt	£37.8m
ZDP shares 2018	£49.5m
ZDP shares 2020	£50.3m
ZDP shares 2022	£54.1m
ZDP shares 2024	£48.7m
Shareholders' Funds (Ordinary Shares)	£240.7m
	£481.1m
Gearing (based on AIC definition)	99.9%

GEARING AIC - standardised gearing calcualtion as recommended by the AIC is based on net assets

KEY DATES	
Launch date*	August 2003
Year end	30 June
AGM date	November
Ex-dividend dates	September, December, March & June
Dividend paid dates	September, December, March & June
2018 ZDP shares expiry	31 October 2018
2020 ZDP shares expiry	31 October 2020
2022 ZDP shares expiry	31 October 2022
2024 ZDP shares expiry	31 October 2024

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PERFORMANCE (Total return including dividends)					
	1 month 3 n	nonths	1 year	3 years	Inception
<b>Share Price</b>	6.1%	1.0%	19.3%	75.0%	258.9%
Net Asset Value	3.8%	3.0%	5.1%	86.8%	413.0%

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12 Months to	Dec 17	Dec 16	Dec 15	Dec 14	Dec 13
<b>Share Price</b>	19.3%	41.1%	3.9%	2.8%	(24.0%)
Net Asset Value	5.1%	66.9%	6.5%	11.8%	(29.8%)

#### **INVESTMENT MANAGERS**

UIL Limited is managed by ICM Limited and ICM Investment Management Limited, which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. www.icm.limited and www.icmim.limited

BOARD		
Peter Burrows	Christopher Samuel	Warren McLeland
Alison Hill	David Shillson	Eric Stobart

TEAM		
Charles Jillings	Jacqueline Broers	Mark Lebbell
Duncan Saville	Jonathan Groocock	

MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATIVE FEES		
Investment Management fee	0.5% plus Company Secretarial Fee	
Administration fee	£320k per annum	
Performance fee	15% of the outperformance over benchmark subject to minimum hurdle of 5% and high watermark, capped at 2.5% of adjusted equity funds	







### **PERFORMANCE**

UIL's cum income NAV increased by 3.8% during December, when adjusted for the 1.875p dividend paid during December, ending the month at 266.91p. This performance was behind the FTSE All Share Total Return Index which was up by 4.8% over the month.

Global stock markets were generally stronger in December, although there were declines in continental Europe. The S&P 500 gained 1.0% during December and the Dow Jones Industrial Average was up by 1.8% on the back of the US tax reforms being signed into law by President Trump as well as a number of positive economic indicators. The Federal Reserve raised US interest rates, as expected, during the month to 1.5%.

Whilst the FTSE All Share advanced by 4.8%, indices in continental Europe declined, with the German DAX down by 0.8%, the CAC in Paris decreased by 1.1% and the FTSE MIB in Milan declined by 2.3%. In Australia, the ASX200 was up by 1.6% and the NZX 50 in Wellington rose by 2.6%.

Sterling was a little weaker against most currencies in December and in particular the Australasian currencies. Sterling weakened by 0.1% against the US Dollar, by 0.8% against the Euro, by 3.0% against the Australian Dollar and by 3.7% against the New Zealand Dollar.

Commodities were generally stronger. Crude oil gained 5.2% during the month to USD 66.87/bbl, Copper advanced 8.7% to USD 330.05/lb and the price of gold increased by 2.2% in December to USD 1303.05/oz.

#### **PORTFOLIO**

There were no changes to the constituents of the top ten holdings during November.

Afterpay Touch's share price advanced strongly during the month, rising by 19.9%. Resolute Mining's share price advanced by 12.9%. Utilico Emerging Markets was up by 2.8% but Zeta's share price declined by 3.0% and Somers declined by 1.7%.

A review of the value of unlisted holdings resulted in the equity of Vix Technology being written down, although loans to the company were not impaired. There were modest uplifts in the value of Optal and Vix Verify.

Purchases during the month amounted to £1.0m and realisations totalled £0.6m.

#### **DEBT**

Borrowings reduced at the month end, totalling £38.2m, down from £43.1m at the end of November. Bank debt was drawn as AUD 59.8m and LISD 3.4m

The foreign exchange hedge positions were increased during December. A New Zealand Dollar short position was reinstated with NZD 14.4m short position at the end of the month. The Australian Dollar short position was increased from AUD 127.8m at the end of November to AUD 140.9m at the end of December. The US Dollar short position was increased to USD 74.8m from USD 54.0m over the period. The Euro short position of EUR 6.0m was unchanged for the month.

## OTHER

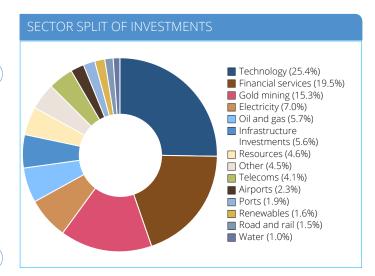
Ull's share price ended December at 163.50p, a 4.8% increase over the month and a total return including the 1.875p dividend of 6.1%. The discount to NAV reduced marginally to 38.7%.

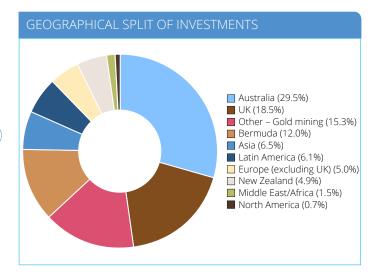
The 2020 and 2022 ZDP share prices advanced by 0.2% and 0.3% respectively, whilst the 2018 ZDP shares declined by 0.1%. The 2024 ZDP shares ended the month at 105.25p, a gain of 0.7% for the month. Yields to redemption were 2.4% for the 2018 ZDP shares, 2.7% for the 2020 ZDP shares, 3.5% for the 2022 ZDP shares and 4.1% for the 2024 ZDP shares.

A first quarterly dividend of 1.875p per ordinary share in respect of the year ending 30 June 2018, was paid on 14 December 2017 to shareholders on the register as at 8 December 2017.

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% of gross assets 1. Somers Limited 18.8% 2. Utilico Emerging Markets Limited 15.3% Resolute Mining Limited 12.4% 4. Afterpay Touch Group Limited 10.7% Zeta Resources Limited 9.6% 4.5% 6. Infratil Limited Bermuda First Investment Company Limited 3.7% 8. Optal Limited 3.5% Vix Tech Pte Ltd 2.9% Vix Verify Group 2.0% 83.4% **Total Top 10** 





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