

## Portfolio manager Liu-Er Chen leads Delaware Emerging Markets Fund to 5th percentile rank performance over past 10 years

**PHILADELPHIA, October 27, 2016** — Macquarie Group's Delaware Investments announces that its Delaware Emerging Markets Fund (<u>DEMIX</u>) has delivered performance that ranks in the top 5% of the Morningstar Diversified Emerging Markets Category (of 190 funds) over the 10-year period ended Sept. 30, 2016.\*

Delaware Emerging Markets Fund is an actively managed fund rooted in bottom-up, fundamental research. The Fund has been managed since Sept. 25, 2006, by Liu-Er Chen, chief investment officer of the Boston-based Emerging Markets team. According to data from Morningstar, Inc., the Fund's annualized return for the 10-year period ended Sept. 30, 2016, was 6.12% compared to 3.49% for the category.\*

"We are optimistic about long-term growth prospects for emerging markets, and believe long-term success requires taking a selective approach to investing in companies," said Chen. "We are pleased how our approach towards identifying secular growth opportunities, franchise sustainability, and visionary management teams, combined with a valuation discipline, has resulted in strong long-term investment returns for our clients."

Find more information on the Fund, including its average annual total returns for the one, three five and ten year periods ended Sept. 30, 2016, by clicking here.

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Carefully consider the Fund's investment objectives, risk factors, charges, and expenses before investing. This and other information can be found in the Fund's prospectus and summary prospectus, which may be obtained by visiting delawareinvestments.com/literature or calling 800 523-1918. For Defined Contribution Investment-Only, call 800 266-3816. Investors should read the prospectus and summary prospectus carefully before investing.

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Morningstar proprietary ratings reflect historical risk-adjusted performance as of Sept. 30, 2016. For each fund with at least a 3-year history, Morningstar calculates a Morningstar Rating<sup>TM</sup> based on a Morningstar Risk-adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a fund's monthly performance (including the effects of sales charges, loads, and redemption fees), placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance.

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\*The Fund's Institutional Class ranks in the top 1% of its category for 1 year (of 867 funds), the 34th percentile over 3 years (of 602 funds), and the sixth percentile over 5 years (of 435 funds). The Fund's Institutional Class Share annualized returns for the one-, three-, five-year and tenyear periods ended September 30, 2016 were 35.40%, 0.52%, 6.90%, 6.12% respectively.



The top 10% of funds in each category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. (Each share class is counted as a fraction of one fund within this scale and rated separately, which may cause slight variations in the distribution percentages.) The Overall Morningstar Rating for a fund is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its 3-, 5-, and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics.

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