## **Attention: Mutual Fund Operations**

For Back Office Personnel Only – Not for Distribution to the Public

December 13, 2018

## IMPORTANT UPDATE FROM BLACKROCK FUNDS

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Effective 4:00 p.m. (Eastern time) on Wednesday, February 6, 2019, BlackRock Emerging Markets Dividend Fund (the "Fund"), a series of BlackRock Funds, will no longer accept orders from new investors or existing shareholders to purchase Fund shares. On February 13, 2019 (the "Liquidation Date"), all of the assets of each Fund will be liquidated completely, and the shares of any shareholders holding shares on the Liquidation Date will be redeemed at the net asset value per share. Shareholders may redeem their Fund shares or exchange their shares into an appropriate class of shares of another mutual fund advised by BlackRock Advisors, LLC or its affiliates ("BlackRock") at any time prior to the Liquidation Date.

Share Class	Fund Name	Fund#	Cusip	Symbol
А	BlackRock Emerging Markets Dividend Fund	1806	091936872	BACHX
С	BlackRock Emerging Markets Dividend Fund	1807	091936864	BCCHX
Institutional	BlackRock Emerging Markets Dividend Fund	1808	091936856	BICHX
Class K	BlackRock Emerging Markets Dividend Fund	2023	09258N265	BKCHX

Beginning February 1, 2019, the following updates to dealer concessions/commissions/CDSCs will take place:

Investor A shares - no finder's fees will be assessed on purchases over \$1 million and all applicable contingent deferred sales charges will be waived. The 25 bps service fee paid by BlackRock Investments, LLC to dealers as a shareholder servicing fee will continue to be paid.

Investor C shares – 1% indirect and all contingent deferred sales charges will be waived. The 100 bps distribution and/or service fee will decrease to 25 bps (as noted below) and beginning February 1, 2019 will be immediately eligible for all existing positions as well as any new purchases made after that date.

Institutional shares – no changes.

Share Class	Service Fee (No Change)	Current Distribution Fee	Distribution Fee effective February 1, 2019
Investor A	25 BPS	0 BPS	0 BPS
Investor C	25 BPS	75 BPS	0 BPS

Additional details regarding the liquidation follows on page 2.

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- The Fund will begin processing on a T+1 settlement cycle on Thursday, February 7, 2019.
- The last day that redemption and exchange out activity can be placed is Tuesday, February 12, 2019.
- All DCC&S/late order redemption activity received on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 (for trade date February 12, 2019) will confirm and settle same day as usual.
- All NSCC activity will be rejected on Wednesday, February 13, 2019.
- After the close of business on Wednesday, February 13, 2019, BNY Mellon Investment Servicing (US), Inc. will process the liquidation as of trade date February 13, 2019.
- On Wednesday, February 13, 2019, BlackRock Funds will provide a 4-decimal place NAV for the Fund liquidation.
- Shareholders of the Fund, on the Liquidation Date, will receive a distribution (in cash) equal to the net asset value of the shares calculated on the Liquidation Date.
- ACATS and maintenance requests will be accepted up to the close of business on Monday, February 11, 2019.
- An NSCC F55 file will be sent on the morning of Thursday, February 14, 2019. Transaction type will be '29' (fund closing liquidation). Cash disbursement indicator will be '0' (cash to firm) for network level 3 accounts and '6' (cash to trust) for trust networked accounts.
  - The fund initiated transaction will result in N75 settlement records with a settlement type of 'DRD', and a settlement indicator of 'A' (activity settlement).
- Cash is expected to settle in dealer accounts on Friday, February 15, 2019.

Questions regarding this update can be directed to BlackRock Dealer Services at 1-800-882-3302.