Report of Organizational Actions
(December 2011) Affecting Basis of Securities

OMB No. 1545-2224
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
$\rightarrow$ See separate instructions.

## Part I Reporting Issuer

| 1 Issuer's name |  |  |  | 2 Issuer's employer identification number (EIN) |
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| Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Third Avenue Value Fund |  |  |  | XX-XXXXXXX |
| 3 Name of contact for additional information |  | 4 Telephone No. of contact |  | 5 Email address of contact |
| Touchstone Investments |  |  | 1-800-543-0407 | TI-CONTACT@TOUCHSTONEINVESTMENTS.COM |
| 6 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) of contact |  |  |  | 7 City, town, or post office, state, and Zip code of contact |
| P.O. BOX 9878 |  |  |  | Providence, RI 02940-8078 |
| 8 Date of action |  |  | 9 Classification and description |  |
| December 7, 2015 |  |  | Regulated Investment Company - I shares |  |
| 10 CUSIP number | 11 Serial number(s) |  | 12 Ticker symbol | 13 Account number(s) |
| See Attached | N/A |  | See Attached | N/A |
| Part II Organizational Action Attach additional statements if needed. See back of form for additional questions. |  |  |  |  |
| 14 Describe the organizational action and, if applicable, the date of the action or the date against which shareholders' ownership is measured for the action |  |  |  |  |
| On December 7, 2015, Touchstone Focused Fund acquired all of the assets and assumed all of the liabilities of the issuer in |  |  |  |  |
| exchange for voting shares of beneficial interest. (Details below.) Pursuant to the same plan, the issuer liquidated and dissolved shortly |  |  |  |  |
| after the transaction. The merger of Touchstone Third Avenue Value Fund qualifies as a tax-free reorganization within the meaning |  |  |  |  |
| of Internal Revenue Code §368(a). |  |  |  |  |

The exchange is based on the number and value of shares outstanding at the close of business on December 4, 2015 (Valuation Date). The merger effective date is December 7, 2015 (Closing Date).

15 Describe the quantitative effect of the organizational action on the basis of the security in the hands of a U.S. taxpayer as an adjustment per share or as a percentage of old basis
A shareholder's aggregate basis in the shares of Touchstone Focused Fund they received in exchange for their shares of Touchstone Third Avenue Value Fund will be the same as their aggregate basis in shares of Touchstone Third Avenue Value Fund.
The number of Touchstone Focused Fund shares that were received for each share of Touchstone Third Avenue Value
Fund surrendered in the exchange is as follows:
0.755210 Touchstone Focused Fund class I shares for one Touchstone Third Avenue Value Fund class I share.

16 Describe the calculation of the change in basis and the data that supports the calculation, such as the market values of securities and the valuation dates There was no change in aggregate basis as a result of the above described organizational action. The net asset value of Touchstone Third Avenue Value Fund shares that were surrendered in the exchange for each share of Touchstone Focused Fund is as follows: I Shares- The net asset value for each share surrendered from Touchstone Third Avenue Value Fund in the exchange was $\$ 14.8549$. The net asset value for each share received from Touchstone Focused Fund in the exchange was $\$ 19.6699$.
The net asset values above are as of the close of business on December 4, 2015.

## Part II Organizational Action (continued)

17 List the applicable Internal Revenue Code section(s) and subsection(s) upon which the tax treatment is based

## Internal Revenue Code §368(a), §368(b), §358, §354

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18 Can any resulting loss be recognized?
There was no gain or loss on the transaction. Accordingly, each investor's aggregate basis in the shares of Touchstone Focusd Fund received in the exchange will be the same as the aggregate basis in their shares of Touchstone Third Avenue Value Fund surrendered.
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19 Provide any other information necessary to implement the adjustment, such as the reportable tax year
The above described organizational action is reportable in tax year 2015.


Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Third Avenue Value Fund Form 8937 Attachment
December 8, 2015

## Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Third Avenue Value Fund

| Share Class | Box 10, CUSIP | Box 12, Ticker Symbol |
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| Class I | 89154 T103 | N/A |

Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Focused Fund

| Share Class | Box 10, CUSIP | Box 12, Ticker Symbol |
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| Class I | 89154 T822 | N/A |

