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Department of the Treasury

Report of Organizational Actions Affecting Basis of Securities

▶ See separate instructions.

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Internal Revenue Service Reporting Issuer Part I 2 Issuer's employer identification number (EIN) Issuer's name Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Aggressive ETF Fund 3 Name of contact for additional information 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 4/16/21 Regulated Investment Company 10 CUSIP number 11 Serial number(s) 12 Ticker symbol 13 Account number(s) See Attachment A See Attachment A Organizational Action Attach additional statements if needed. See back of form for additional questions. 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 4/16/21, Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Balanced 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 Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Aggressive ETF 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 4/16/21 (Valuation Date). The merger effective date is 4/21/21 (Closing Date). 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 15 share or as a percentage of old basis A shareholder's aggregate basis in the shares of Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Balanced Fund they received in exchange for their shares in Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Aggressive ETF Fund will be the same as their aggregate basis in shares of Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Aggressive ETF Fund. The number of Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Balanced Fund shares that were received for each share of Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Aggressive ETF Fund surrendered in the exchange is as follows: 1.282942 Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Balanced Fund class shares for one Touchstone Variable Series Trust -Touchstone Aggressive ETF Fund class share. 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 Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Aggressive ETF fund shares that were surrendered in exchange for each share of Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Balanced Fund is as follows: The net asset value for each share surrendered from Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Aggressive ETF Fund in the exchange was \$18.9751. The net asset value for each share received from Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Balanced Fund in the exchange was 14.7903. The net asset values above are as of the close of business on 4/16/21.

Part I		Organizational Action (continued)				
17 Lis	st the	applicable Internal Revenue Code section	(s) and subsection(s) upon which the tax	treatment is based ▶	·	
Internal	Reve	nue Code §368(a), §368(b), §358, §354				
18 Ca	an any	resulting loss be recognized? ▶				
There w	vas no	gain or loss on the transaction. Accord	dingly, each investor's aggregate basis	s in the shares of T	ouchstone Va	riable Series
		nstone Balanced Fund received in the e		gate basis in their s	shares of Tou	chstone Variable
Series 7	Trust	 Touchstone Aggressive ETF Fund sur 	rendered.			
19 Pr	ovide	any other information necessary to impler	nent the adjustment, such as the reportal	ble tax year ►		
		escribed organizational action is reporta				
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Touchstone Variable Series Trust-Touchstone Aggressive ETF Fund

Share Class Box 10, CUSIP

Class SC 89154T848

Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Balanced Fund

Share Class Box 10, CUSIP

Class SC 89154T673