

# QUANTITATIVE U.S. LARGE CAP ENVIRONMENTAL QUARTERLY COMMENTARY

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Large Capitalization stocks (as represented by the Russell 1000 Index) rose +6.1% during the quarter.
- The Glenmede Quantitative U.S. Large Cap Environmental Equity strategy performed in line with the Russell 1000 Index for the quarter.
- The strategy had stock selection outperformance in 6 of 11 sectors versus the Index. The most positive relative contributions were in the Consumer Staples and Health Care sectors. The most negative relative contributions were in the Information Technology and Communication Services sectors.

The Glenmede Quantitative U.S. Large Cap Environmental Equity Composite had a total return for Third Quarter 2024 of +6.1% (net of fees). On a relative basis, the Quantitative U.S. Large Cap Environmental Equity Composite performed in line with the Russell 1000 Index by 0.0%. This strategy is managed to seek investment in companies with more favorable environmental characteristics and seeks to exclude companies with poor environmental ratings.

For the Third Quarter 2024, S&P 500 and Russell 1000 Indexes had total returns of +5.9% and +6.1%, respectively. The performance in equities was supported by better-than-expected economic growth and favorable inflation data as CPI and PCE reached their lowest levels since 2021. In September, the Federal funds rate was lowered by 50 basis points. The 10-Year Treasury yield decreased by about -0.6% to 3.8% while stock market volatility as measured by the CBOE VIX increased from about 12.4 to 16.7. For Second Quarter 2024 results, about 78% of Russell 1000 companies reported positive earnings surprises. In the Third Quarter, the Russell 1000 Value Index (+9.4%) outperformed the Russell 1000 Growth Index (+3.2%) by about +6.2%. In the Quarter, the best performing sectors in the Russell 1000 Index were Utilities (+19.1%) and Real Estate (+17.2%). The worst performing sectors were Energy (-2.6%) and Information Technology (+1.8%).

For the Quarter, the strategy had mixed contributions from multi-factor stock selection models, including biases towards lower valuations. The strategy was favorably impacted from relative underexposures to the Magnificent 7<sup>1</sup> and lower market capitalizations versus the Russell 1000 Index. The strategy had stock selection outperformance

in 6 of 11 sectors versus the Index. The most positive relative contributions were in the Consumer Staples and Health Care sectors. The most negative relative contributions were in the Information Technology and Communication Services sectors. Industry group biases had minor impacts on performance.

The latest U.S. real GDP estimate for Second Quarter was +3.0% versus +1.6% for the First Quarter. The quarter reflected gains in personal consumption expenditures (+2.8%), fixed investment (+2.3%), gross government spending (+3.1%), and exports (+1.0%). Imports (+6.1%) was a detractor. For 2024, many economists project real GDP growth of about 2.5% and CPI of about 3.0%. We expect positive corporate profit growth of 4% to 7% supported by high employment, declining inflation, and prudent Fed monetary policy. However, geopolitical risks can have significant global economic and financial impacts. Currently, our leading industry group indicators target overweightings in Health Care, Consumer Discretionary, Energy and Real Estate, and underweightings in Industrials, Communication Services, Financials and Consumer Staples. We believe this strategy is well positioned with its multifactor approach favoring stocks with more attractive valuations, high cash flows, strong fundamentals, positive earnings/revenue estimate trends and favorable technicals.

<sup>1</sup>The "Magnificent Seven" stocks are a group of high-performing and influential companies in the U.S. stock market. The list includes: Apple, Microsoft, Amazon, Alphabet (Google), Tesla and Nvidia.

## QUANTITATIVE U.S. LARGE CAP ENVIRONMENTAL Composite Performance (%)

As of 9/30/2024	QTD	YTD	1 YEAR	3 YEAR*	5 YEAR*	10 YEAR*	SINCE INCEPTION* (12/31/01)
Glenmede (Gross)	6.3	13.3	24.5	7.9	11.9	10.6	8.9
Glenmede (Net)	6.1	12.7	23.6	7.1	11.1	9.8	8.1
Russell 1000 Index	6.1	21.2	35.7	10.8	15.6	13.1	9.6

\*Annualized

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The Glenmede Quantitative U.S. Large Cap Environmental Equity Composite objective is to provide maximum long-term return with reasonable risk to principal, by investing in domestic stocks of the Russell 1000 and Standard & Poor's 500 universes. The strategy is managed to exclude companies with poor environmental ratings (Per KLD Research). The Russell 1000 Index is an unmanaged, market value weighted index, which measures performance of the largest 1,000 companies in the market. One cannot invest directly in an index. Environmental characteristics are determined through our use of third-party service providers.

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