

Report of Organizational Actions Affecting Basis of Securities

▶ See separate instructions.

Part I Reporting Issuer

1 Issuer's name		2 Issuer's employer identification number (EIN)	
Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Baron Small Cap Growth 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 - Class 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 Baron Small Cap Growth 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 Baron Small Cap Growth Fund will be the same as their aggregate basis in shares of Touchstone Baron Small Cap Growth Fund. The number of Touchstone Focused Fund shares that were received for each share of Touchstone Baron Small Cap Growth Fund surrendered in the exchange is as follows:

0.666501 Touchstone Focused Fund class I shares for one Touchstone Baron Small Cap Growth 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 Fund shares that were surrendered in the exchange for each share of Touchstone Focused Fund is as follows: 1 Shares- The net asset value for each share surrendered from Touchstone Baron Small Cap Growth Fund in the exchange was \$13.1100. 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

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 Focused Fund received in the exchange will be the same as the aggregate basis in their shares of Touchstone Baron Small Cap Growth Fund surrendered.

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.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here Signature ▶ _____ Date ▶ _____

Print your name ▶ **A signed copy is maintained by the issuer**

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	Firm's name ▶				Firm's EIN ▶
	Firm's address ▶				Phone no.

Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Baron Small Cap Growth Fund
Form 8937 Attachment
December 8, 2015

Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Baron Small Cap Growth Fund

<u>Share Class</u>	<u>Box 10, CUSIP</u>	<u>Box 12, Ticker Symbol</u>
Class I	89154T889	N/A

Touchstone Variable Series Trust - Touchstone Focused Fund

<u>Share Class</u>	<u>Box 10, CUSIP</u>	<u>Box 12, Ticker Symbol</u>
Class I	89154T822	N/A