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Eaton Vance Tax-Advantaged Global Dividend Income Fund

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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October 31

Date of Fiscal Year End

October 31, 2011

Date of Reporting Period

Item 1. Reports to Stockholders

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Management's Discussion of Fund Performance

Economic and Market Conditions

In a year characterized by extreme market volatility, a large number of headline events and widespread uncertainty about the worldwide economy, most global equity markets posted losses during the 12 months ending October 31, 2011.

Early in the period, global equity markets generated solid gains amid improved corporate profitability due to improvements in the U.S. economy and the continued expansion of the worldwide economy. However, global equity markets began to falter in late winter when data suggested that both the U.S. and global economies were beginning to retrench.

In the summer and early fall, global equity markets generally suffered broad-based declines as the financial distress in the eurozone deepened and worldwide economic activity decelerated. European equities led by major declines in bank stock prices performed particularly poorly while emerging-market equities also posted steep losses.

In the final weeks of the period, many global equity markets produced significant gains. Investors were encouraged by Europe's plan to combat Greece's debt problems, expand a bailout fund and recapitalize the region's banks.

Additionally, economic data indicated that the U.S. economy wasn't poised to move back into recession and that global growth could begin to accelerate.

For the 12-month period ending October 31, 2011, the MSCI World Index² returned 1.76%. Meanwhile, the MSCI Europe, Australasia, Far East (MSCI EAFE) Index returned -4.08%, the MSCI Emerging Markets Index returned -7.72%. By contrast, the S&P 500 Index advanced 8.09%.

Fund Performance

The Fund is a closed-end fund and trades on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) under the symbol ETG. For the fiscal year ending October 31, 2011, the Fund's return at net asset value was 3.45%, outperforming the 1.76% return of its benchmark, the MSCI World Index (the Index). The Fund's excess return versus the Index was due to the strong performance of its investments in common stocks, which more than compensated for underperformance by the preferred stock portion of the portfolio.

Performance of the Fund's common stock allocation was driven largely by positioning in the financials, energy and industrials sectors. Underweighting the poor-performing financials sector and underweighting global banks, in particular benefited results. Strong performance by a domestic REIT holding also aided performance. Stock selection among integrated oil and gas firms led to outperformance in the energy sector. Stock selection was the main contributor in industrials, where holdings in U.S. railroads did well.

In contrast, materials, utilities and information technology were the largest detractors on a sector basis. Weak selection in metals & mining stocks, combined with an overweighting in that industry, hurt performance in materials.

Overweighting the utilities sector, which performed poorly overseas, also dragged on results, although overall stock selection within the sector was positive. In the information technology sector, stock selection in communications equipment weighed on performance. For the period as a whole, international stocks, in general, lagged behind U.S. stocks.

As of October 31, 2011, the Fund had approximately 13% of its total investments in preferred stocks. This allocation held back results by underperforming the Fund's common stock allocation and the overall preferred market, as measured by the BofA Merrill Lynch Fixed Rate Preferred Securities Index. This underperformance resulted from several factors. A sizeable out-of-index position in securities rated below BBB⁶ hurt results, as investment-grade securities outperformed during the period. Fund positions in European financial firms were hurt by concerns over Portuguese, Italian, Greek and Spanish sovereign debt. An overweighting in bank and insurance credits also detracted, as preferreds in those industries underperformed. On the positive side, performance was aided by owning longer-duration securities in a declining-rate environment, and by an overweighting in the strong-performing utilities sector.

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Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Returns are historical and are calculated by determining the percentage change in net asset value (NAV) or market price (as applicable) with all distributions reinvested. Fund performance at market price will differ from its results at NAV due to factors such as changing perceptions about the Fund, market conditions, fluctuations in supply and demand for Fund shares, or changes in Fund distributions.

Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that shares, when sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Performance less than one year is cumulative. Performance is for the stated time period only; due to market volatility, current Fund performance may be lower or higher than the quoted return. For performance as of the most recent month end, please refer to www.eatonvance.com.

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 Performance^{2,3}

Portfolio Managers Judith A. Saryan, CFA; Aamer Khan, CFA; John H. Croft, CFA

% Average Annual Total Returns	Inception Date	1 Year	5 Years	Since Inception
Fund at NAV	1/30/2004	3.45%	2.75%	4.77%
Fund at Market		1.39	3.05	3.76
MSCI World Index	1/30/2004	1.76%	1.00%	3.95%
BofA Merrill Lynch Fixed Rate Preferred Securities Index	1/30/2004	5.46	0.63	1.04
% Premium/Discount to NAV				7.23%

Distributions⁴

Total Distributions per share for the period	\$ 1.230
Distribution Rate at NAV	8.55%
Distribution Rate at Market Price	9.22%

% Total Leverage⁵

Borrowings	27.92%
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Common Stock Sector Allocation (% of total investments)

Top 10 Common Stock Holdings (% of total investments)

McDonald's Corp.	4.3%
Philip Morris International, Inc.	3.1
SSE PLC	3.0
Chevron Corp.	2.8
Nestle SA	2.6
Telstra Corp., Ltd.	2.3
ENI SpA	2.3
Singapore Telecommunications, Ltd.	2.1
International Business Machines Corp.	2.0
AvalonBay Communities, Inc.	1.8
Total	26.3%

Country Allocation (% of total investments)

United States	57.5%
France	7.0
United Kingdom	6.6
Switzerland	4.1
Italy	3.7
Germany	3.2
Bermuda	2.4
Australia	2.4
Singapore	2.1
Netherlands	2.1
Norway	1.5
Taiwan	1.4

Sweden	1.3
Canada	1.1
Other (less than 1.0% each)	3.6

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- ¹ The views expressed in this report are those of portfolio manager(s) and are current only through the date stated at the top of this page. These views are subject to change at any time based upon market or other conditions, and Eaton Vance and the Fund(s) disclaim any responsibility to update such views. These views may not be relied upon as investment advice and, because investment decisions are based on many factors, may not be relied upon as an indication of trading intent on behalf of any Eaton Vance fund. This commentary may contain statements that are not historical facts, referred to as forward looking statements. The Fund's actual future results may differ significantly from those stated in any forward looking statement, depending on factors such as changes in securities or financial markets or general economic conditions, the volume of sales and purchases of Fund shares, the continuation of investment advisory, administrative and service contracts, and other risks discussed from time to time in the Fund's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- ² MSCI World Index is an unmanaged index of equity securities in the developed markets. MSCI EAFE Index is an unmanaged index of equities in the developed markets, excluding the U.S. and Canada. MSCI Emerging Markets Index is an unmanaged index of emerging markets common stocks. MSCI indices are net of foreign withholding taxes. Source: MSCI. MSCI data may not be reproduced or used for any other purpose. MSCI provides no warranties, has not prepared or approved this report, and has no liability hereunder. S&P 500 Index is an unmanaged index of large-cap stocks commonly used as a measure of U.S. stock market performance. BofA Merrill Lynch Fixed Rate Preferred Securities Index is an unmanaged index of fixed-rate, preferred securities issued in the U.S. Index returns do not reflect the effect of any applicable sales charges, commissions, expenses, taxes or leverage, as applicable. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.
- ³ Performance results reflect the effects of leverage.
- ⁴ The Distribution Rate is based on the Fund's last regular distribution per share in the period (annualized) divided by the Fund's NAV or market price at the end of the period. The Fund's distributions may be comprised of ordinary income, net realized capital gains and return of capital.
- ⁵ Total leverage is shown as a percentage of the Fund's aggregate net assets plus borrowings outstanding. The Fund employs leverage through borrowings. Use of leverage creates an opportunity for income, but creates risks including greater price volatility. The cost of borrowings rises and falls with changes in short-term interest rates. The Fund is required to maintain prescribed asset coverage for its borrowings, which could be reduced if Fund asset values decline.
- ⁶ Ratings are based on Moody's, S&P or Fitch, as applicable. Credit ratings are based largely on the rating agency's investment analysis at the time of rating and the rating assigned to any particular security is not necessarily a reflection of the issuer's current financial condition. The rating assigned to a security by a rating agency does not necessarily reflect its assessment of the volatility of a security's market value or of the liquidity of an investment in the security. If securities are rated differently by the rating agencies, the higher rating is applied.

Fund profile subject to change due to active management.

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Effective December 31, 2011, the Fund's portfolio management team includes Judith A. Saryan, Aamer Khan and John H. Croft.

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Portfolio of Investments

Common Stocks 109.3%

Security	Shares	Value
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Beverages 0.8%

Anheuser-Busch InBev NV	160,000	\$ 8,872,981
		\$ 8,872,981

Chemicals 6.1%

Air Liquide SA	75,000	\$ 9,683,793
Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	125,000	10,767,500
BASF SE	280,000	20,438,820
LyondellBasell Industries NV, Class A ⁽¹⁾	400,000	13,144,000
PPG Industries, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	150,000	12,961,500
		\$ 66,995,613

Commercial Banks 2.3%

Wells Fargo & Co. ⁽¹⁾	985,461	\$ 25,533,294
		\$ 25,533,294

Communications Equipment 3.5%

HTC Corp.	668,650	\$ 15,026,940
QUALCOMM, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	250,000	12,900,000
Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson, Class B	1,050,000	10,944,699
		\$ 38,871,639

Computers & Peripherals 0.9%

Apple, Inc. ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	25,000	\$ 10,119,500
		\$ 10,119,500

Diversified Telecommunication Services 15.5%

AT&T, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	300,000	\$ 8,793,000
BCE, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	400,000	15,844,000
Chunghwa Telecom Co., Ltd.	1,753,922	5,867,970
Deutsche Telekom AG	850,000	10,798,511
France Telecom SA	1,350,000	24,271,401
Koninklijke KPN NV	1,400,000	18,330,084
Singapore Telecommunications, Ltd.	12,400,000	31,803,164
Tele2 AB	400,000	8,423,317
Telefonica O2 Czech Republic AS	200,000	4,211,576
Telstra Corp., Ltd.	10,500,000	34,092,806
Verizon Communications, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	200,000	7,396,000
		\$ 169,831,829

Electric Utilities 7.3%

Edison International ⁽¹⁾	350,000	\$ 14,210,000
SSE PLC	2,050,000	44,292,636
Terna Rete Elettrica Nazionale SpA	5,500,000	21,136,591
		\$ 79,639,227

Electrical Equipment 1.3%

ABB, Ltd. ⁽²⁾	740,000	\$ 13,930,803
		\$ 13,930,803

Energy Equipment & Services 1.2%

Seadrill, Ltd.	400,000	\$ 13,135,625
		\$ 13,135,625

Food & Staples Retailing 1.5%

Carrefour SA	640,000	\$ 16,933,119
		\$ 16,933,119

Food Products 3.6%

Nestle SA	675,000	\$ 39,040,421
		\$ 39,040,421

Health Care Providers & Services 3.3%

Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co. KGaA	220,000	\$ 16,026,048
UnitedHealth Group, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	425,000	20,395,750
		\$ 36,421,798

Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 6.4%

Carnival Corp. ⁽¹⁾	150,000	\$ 5,281,500
McDonald's Corp. ⁽¹⁾	700,000	64,995,000
		\$ 70,276,500

Industrial Conglomerates 0.6%

Orkla ASA	758,308	\$ 6,573,993
		\$ 6,573,993

Insurance 6.7%

Aflac, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	350,000	\$ 15,781,500
MetLife, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	750,000	26,370,000
Powszechny Zaklad Ubezpieczen SA	55,000	5,824,936
Prudential Financial, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	470,000	25,474,000
		\$ 73,450,436

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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IT Services 2.7%		
International Business Machines Corp. ⁽¹⁾	160,000	\$ 29,540,800
		\$ 29,540,800
Machinery 1.9%		
Deere & Co. ⁽¹⁾	275,000	\$ 20,872,500
		\$ 20,872,500
Media 1.4%		
McGraw-Hill Cos., Inc. (The) ⁽¹⁾	350,000	\$ 14,875,000
		\$ 14,875,000
Multi-Utilities 0.4%		
National Grid PLC	500,000	\$ 4,971,020
		\$ 4,971,020

Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 13.0%

Chevron Corp. ⁽¹⁾	400,000	\$ 42,020,000
ConocoPhillips ⁽¹⁾	235,000	16,367,750
ENI SpA	1,540,000	34,040,007
Marathon Oil Corp. ⁽¹⁾	400,000	10,412,000
Marathon Petroleum Corp. ⁽¹⁾	200,000	7,180,000
Repsol YPF SA	230,000	6,922,930
Statoil ASA	600,000	15,224,431
Total SA	200,000	10,435,444
		\$ 142,602,562

Pharmaceuticals 5.9%

Johnson & Johnson ⁽¹⁾	200,000	\$ 12,878,000
Novartis AG	160,000	9,013,643
Pfizer, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	835,000	16,082,100
Sanofi SA	375,000	26,827,127
		\$ 64,800,870

Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) 2.5%

AvalonBay Communities, Inc. ⁽¹⁾	206,322	\$ 27,583,188
		\$ 27,583,188

Road & Rail 3.1%

Norfolk Southern Corp. ⁽¹⁾	285,000	\$ 21,087,150
Union Pacific Corp. ⁽¹⁾	135,000	13,441,950
		\$ 34,529,100

Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment 4.4%

Intel Corp. ⁽¹⁾	900,000	\$ 22,086,000
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd. ADR ⁽¹⁾	2,058,343	25,976,289
		\$ 48,062,289

Software 3.1%

Microsoft Corp. ⁽¹⁾	900,000	\$ 23,967,000
Oracle Corp. ⁽¹⁾	300,000	9,831,000
		\$ 33,798,000

Tobacco 6.8%

Altria Group, Inc.⁽¹⁾