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June 22, 2016

Dear Northern Funds Investor:

The Northern Short Bond Fund (CUSIP: 665162368) announced that on March 23, 2016, that it paid a monthly dividend of \$0.021485881 per share to all shareholders of record as of March 23, 2016.

We have recently determined that the source of a portion of these distributions was from the following sources: net income; net realized gains and paid-in surplus or other capital source.

The attached notice provides additional information regarding the source of distributions to Fund shareholders.

If you have any questions about the distributions paid on your holding of the Northern Short Bond Fund, please contact your Relationship Manager or the Northern Funds Center at 800-595-9111, Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Central time.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

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President

Northern Funds

Please carefully read the prospectus and summary prospectus and consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of Northern Funds before investing. Call 800-595-9111 to obtain a prospectus and summary prospectus, which contains this and other information about the funds.