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FORM 10-Q

☒ **Quarterly report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2026.**

or

☐ **Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the transition period from_____to_____.**

Commission file number: 001-43064

VanEck Avalanche ETF

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	**33-6867966**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	**(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)**

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Not Applicable
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)
Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act.

Title of each class	**Trading Symbol(s)**	**Name of each exchange on which registered**
Shares	**VAVX**	**The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. ☒ Yes ☐ No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). ☒ Yes ☐ No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer", "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large Accelerated Filer	☐	Accelerated Filer	☐
Non-Accelerated Filer	☒	Smaller Reporting Company	☒
Emerging Growth Company	☒		

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☒

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.). ☐ Yes ☒ No

The registrant had 1,000,000 outstanding Shares as of October 31, 2026.

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Part I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

Item 1. Unaudited Financial Statements.

VANECK AVALANCHE ETF
Statements of Assets and Liabilities (Unaudited)

	September 30, 2026	December 31, 2025
Assets		
Investment in avalanche, at fair value (cost $18,984,097, and $2,500,000, respectively)	$ 22,064,999	$ 2,517,563
Total assets	22,064,999	2,517,563
Liabilities		
Accrued Sponsor fee	7,146	—
Total liabilities	7,146	—
Net assets	$ 22,057,853	$ 2,517,563
Shares issued and outstanding (no par value, unlimited amount authorized)	950,000	100,000
Net Asset Value per Share	$ 23.22	$ 25.18

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2026	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2026
Investment Income		
Staking income (net)	$ 145,915	$ 324,163
Total investment income	145,915	324,163
Expenses		
Sponsor fee	6,562	16,064
Total expenses	6,562	16,064
Sponsor fee waiver	—	(956)
Net expenses	6,562	15,108
Net investment income	139,353	309,055
Net realized loss and net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)		
Net realized loss on:		
Avalanche sold for redemption of shares	—	—
Avalanche sold for distribution	(52,185)	(52,185)
Avalanche sold to pay expenses	(4,276)	(4,892)
Net realized loss from investment in avalanche	(56,461)	(57,077)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investment in avalanche	8,046,314	3,063,339
Net realized loss and net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	7,989,853	3,006,262
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	$ 8,129,206	$ 3,315,317

(a) No comparative financial statements have been provided as the Trust did not have any operations as of September 30, 2025.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

VANECK AVALANCHE ETF

Statements of Changes in Net Assets (Unaudited)[a]

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2026	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2026
Net increase from operations		
Net investment income	$ 139,353	$ 309,055
Net realized loss from investment in avalanche	(56,461)	(57,077)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments in avalanche	8,046,314	3,063,339
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	8,129,206	3,315,317
Distributions to shareholders		
Decrease in net assets resulting from distributions to shareholders	(140,003)	(140,003)
Capital Share transactions		
Contributions for shares issued	2,505,622	16,364,976
Withdrawals for shares redeemed	—	—
Net increase in capital share transactions	2,505,622	16,364,976
Net increase in net assets	10,494,825	19,540,290
Net assets:		
Beginning of period	11,563,028	2,517,563
End of period	$ 22,057,853	$ 22,057,853

(a) No comparative financial statements have been provided as the Trust did not have any operations as of September 30, 2025.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

September 30, 2026

Description	Quantity	Cost	Fair Value
Avalanche	1,985,601.68[(a)]	$18,984,097	$ 22,064,999
Total Investment in avalanche – 100.03%			22,064,999
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets – (0.03)%			(7,146)
Net Assets – 100.00%			**$ 22,057,853**

December 31, 2025

Description	Quantity	Cost	Fair Value
Avalanche	206,019.90	$2,500,000	$ 2,517,563
Total Investment in avalanche – 100.00%			2,517,563
Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets – (0.00)%			—
Net Assets – 100.00%			**$ 2,517,563**

(a) Includes 1,588,636.97 of staked avalanche.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Note 1. Organization:

VanEck Avalanche ETF (the "Trust"), a Delaware statutory trust, is an exchange-traded fund that issues common shares of beneficial interest in the Trust (the "Shares"). The Trust commenced operations on January 26, 2026. The Shares are traded on the Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (the "Exchange"). The Trust's investment objective is to reflect the performance of the price of Avalanche ("AVAX") and rewards from staking a portion of the Trust's AVAX, to the extent VanEck Digital Assets, LLC (the "Sponsor") in its sole discretion determines that the Trust may do so without undue legal or regulatory risk, such as, without limitation, by jeopardizing the Trust's ability to qualify as a grantor trust for tax purposes, less the operating expenses of the Trust. The Trust is managed and controlled by the Sponsor, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Van Eck Associates Corporation ("VanEck"). The CSC Delaware Trust Company, is the trustee of the Trust (the "Trustee").

Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies:

A. *Basis of Preparation and Use of Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The Trust qualifies as an investment company solely for accounting purposes and not for any other purpose and follows accounting and reporting requirements of Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 946 Financial Services—Investment Companies ("ASC Topic 946"), but is not registered, and is not required to be registered, as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

B. *Cash*

Cash, if any, represents cash deposits held at a major financial institution and is subject to credit risk to the extent its balance exceeds the federally insured limits.

C. *Investment Valuation*

The Trust values its investment in AVAX and other assets and liabilities at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date.

The Trust identifies and determines the AVAX principal market (or in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market) for GAAP financial statement purposes consistent with the application of fair value measurement framework in Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") ASC 820 at 11:59 p.m. EST. Under ASC 820, a principal market is the market with the greatest volume and activity level for the asset or liability. The Sponsor on behalf of the Trust will determine in its sole discretion the valuation sources and policies used to prepare the Trust's financial statements in accordance with GAAP.

Various inputs are used in determining the fair value of assets and liabilities. Inputs may be based on independent market data or they may be internally developed. These inputs are categorized into a disclosure hierarchy consisting of three broad levels for financial reporting purposes. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly, including quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not considered to be active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means; and

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs where there are little or no market activity for the asset or liability, including the Trust's assumptions used in determining the fair value of investments.

The following is a summary of the fair value hierarchy as of September 30, 2026 and December 31, 2025:

September 30, 2026	**Level 1**	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Total**
Assets				
Investment in AVAX	$ 22,064,999	$ —	$ —	$ 22,064,999

December 31, 2025	**Level 1**	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Total**
Assets				
Investment in AVAX	$ 2,517,563	$ —	$ —	$ 2,517,563

The following represents the changes in quantity of AVAX and the respective fair value:

	AVAX	**Fair Value**
Beginning balance as of January 1, 2026	206,019.90	$ 2,517,563
AVAX purchased	559,830.28	5,598,904
AVAX purchased in-kind	1,242,626.55	11,104,040
AVAX sold	(22,875.05)	(161,770)
AVAX sold in-kind	—	—
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investment in AVAX	—	3,063,339
Net realized gain (loss) on investment in AVAX	—	(57,077)
Ending balance as of September 30, 2026	1,985,601.68	$ 22,064,999

	AVAX	**Fair Value**
Beginning balance as of November 20, 2025[(a)]	—	$ —
AVAX purchased	206,019.90	2,500,000
AVAX sold	—	—
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investment in AVAX	—	17,563
Net realized gain (loss) on investment in AVAX	—	—
Ending balance as of December 31, 2025	206,019.90	$ 2,517,563

(a) The Trust did not hold any AVAX as of November 20, 2025 (Date of Seeding).

D. *Avalanche*

AVAX transactions are accounted for on trade date. Realized gains and losses on the sale of AVAX are determined based on the average cost method. Under ASC Topic 946, the average cost method is an accepted method to determine realized gains and losses on the sale of AVAX. Proceeds received by the Trust from the issuance of baskets consist of AVAX or cash (used to purchase AVAX). Staking income is recognized on an accrual basis. Deposits of AVAX will be held by Coinbase Custody Trust Company, LLC and/or Anchorage Digital Bank N.A. (collectively the "AVAX Custodians"), on behalf of the Trust until (i) delivered out in connection with redemptions of baskets or cash or (ii) sold by the Sponsor, which may be facilitated by the AVAX Custodians to pay fees due to the Sponsor and Trust expenses and liabilities not assumed by the Sponsor or (iii) sold by the Sponsor to fund quarterly distributions to Shareholders from staking rewards.

E. *Staking*

The Trust stakes a portion of the Trust's AVAX through one or more staking services providers (the "Staking Services Providers") to conduct such staking activities. The Staking Services Providers will utilize the available

AVAX for staking by instructing the AVAX Custodians to delegate such AVAX to a validator address selected in accordance with the Trust's Staking Policy. Any staked AVAX will be inaccessible for approximately 16 days. While the Trust's assets are delegated to the Staking Services Providers for staking activities, the Trust maintains all rights, title and interest to the staked AVAX; and as such, the staked assets are reflected in Investments in AVAX, at fair value on the Statements of Assets and Liabilities. Staking rewards received in AVAX represent non-cash consideration and are measured at fair value using the MarketVector™ Avalanche Benchmark Rate used to calculate the Trust's NAV on the date the income from staking rewards is recognized. The Sponsor has adopted a liquidity risk program that provides a variety of mechanisms to monitor and manage the liquidity of the Trust's assets. Staking activity comes with a risk of loss of AVAX. Coinbase Custody Trust Company, LLC was the only custodian holding staked AVAX during the period.

F. *Calculation of Net Asset Value*

The Trust's net asset value ("NAV") is calculated based on the Trust's net asset holdings, as reconciled to the AVAX Custodians' accounts, on a market approach determined on a daily basis using the MarketVector™ Avalanche Benchmark Rate price at 4:00 pm EST. The Trust's NAV per Share is calculated by taking the current market value of its total assets, subtracting any liabilities, and then dividing that total by the total number of outstanding Shares. The Trust Agreement gives the Sponsor the exclusive authority to determine the Trust's NAV and the Trust's NAV per Share, which it has delegated to the administrator.

G. *Distributions*

Staking consideration received by the Trust from staking, net of staking fee, is intended to be distributed quarterly by the Trust. The amount of quarterly distributions cannot be predicted with certainty. Distributions are paid in cash and they are not reinvested in additional shares of the Trust.

H. *Federal Income Taxes*

The Trust is treated as a grantor trust for federal income tax purposes and, therefore, no provision for federal income taxes is required. Any staking income, expenses, gains and losses are passed through to the holders of Shares of the Trust. The Sponsor has reviewed the tax positions for the period presented and has determined that no provision for income tax is required in the Trust's financial statements.

I. *Segment Reporting*

The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Sponsor acts as the Trust's chief operating decision maker ("CODM"), assessing performance and making decisions about resource allocation. The CODM has determined that the Trust has a single operating segment based on the fact that the Trust's long-term strategic asset allocation is pre-determined in accordance with the terms of its prospectus, with a defined investment strategy which is executed by the Sponsor. The financial information provided to and reviewed by the CODM is presented within the Trust's financial statements.

J. *Interim Financial Statements*

The interim financial statements included herein were prepared without audit according to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP may be omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. The financial statements reflect, in the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary that were of a normal and recurring nature and adequate disclosures to present fairly the financial position and results of operations as of and for the periods indicated. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2026, are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year or for any other period.

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Form 10-K previously filed with the SEC.

Note 3. Trust Expenses and Other Agreements

The Trust pays the Sponsor a unified fee (the "Sponsor Fee") of 0.20% on average daily net assets, that accrues daily and pays monthly. The Sponsor agreed to waive that fee for the first $500 million in net assets up until February 28, 2026. The Sponsor has agreed to pay all operating expenses (except for extraordinary expenses, including but not limited to, non-recurring expenses and costs of services performed by the Sponsor or a service provider on behalf of the Trust to protect the Trust or the interests of Shareholders, such as the Custodian Staking Facilitation Fee, and in connection with any indemnification of agents, service providers or counterparties of the Trust and extraordinary legal fees and expenses, including any legal fees and expenses incurred in connection with litigation, regulatory enforcement or investigation matters) out of the Sponsor Fee. Coinbase Crypto Services currently serves as the Staking Service Provider for the Trust and is entitled to a staking fee of 4% of the staking income earned by the Trust's staked assets as presented in the Statements of Operations. The Sponsor from time to time will sell AVAX, which may be facilitated by one or more liquidity providers and/or the AVAX Custodians or an affiliate thereof, in such quantity as is necessary to permit payment of the Sponsor Fee and Trust expenses and liabilities not assumed by the Sponsor.

The Trustee fee is paid by the Sponsor and is not an expense of the Trust.

The Trust may hold its AVAX at either of the AVAX Custodians, both of which are regulated third-party custodians that carry insurance and are responsible for safekeeping of AVAX owned by the Trust and holding private keys that provide access to the AVAX in the Trust's AVAX account. As of September 30, 2026 the Trust held all of its AVAX at Coinbase Custody Trust Company, LLC.

State Street Bank and Trust Company serves as the Trust's administrator, transfer agent and cash custodian.

Note 4. Related Parties

The Sponsor is considered to be a related party to the Trust.

MarketVector Indexes GmbH is the index sponsor and index administrator for the MarketVector^{TM} Avalanche Benchmark Rate, which is used by the Trust to determine its NAV. MarketVector Indexes GmbH is an indirectly wholly-owned subsidiary of VanEck.

Van Eck Securities Corporation, a marketing agent to the Trust, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of VanEck.

VanEck was the initial seed investor ("Seed Capital Investor") and purchased for cash 4,000 Shares (the "Seed Shares") at a per-Share price of $25.00 on November 20, 2025. Total proceeds to the Trust from the sale of the Seed Shares were $100,000. On December 22 2025, the Seed Shares were redeemed for cash and the Seed Capital Investor purchased the "Seed Creation Baskets", comprising a total of 100,000 Shares at a per-Share price of $25.00. Total proceeds to the Trust from the sale of the Seed Creation Baskets were $2,500,000 which resulted in the Trust receiving 206,019.90 AVAX. As of September 30, 2026 and December 31, 2025, the Seed Capital Investor's ownership in the Trust represents approximately 11% and 100% of net assets, respectively.

VanEck is a minority equity holder in Metatech Holdings, the parent company of Nonco LLC and holds approximately 5% of its equity. Nonco LLC is a liquidity provider to the Trust, and the Trust conducts its AVAX purchase and sale transactions by trading directly with liquidity providers, including Nonco LLC. During the nine months ended September 30, 2026, the Trust had the following purchase and sale transactions through Nonco LLC:

	Quantity	Cost/Proceeds
Purchase	207,609	$ 2,303,442
Sale	20,080	139,984

Note 5. Capital Share Transactions

Investors can buy and sell Shares of the Trust in secondary market transactions through brokers. Shares trade on the Exchange under the ticker symbol VAVX. Shares are bought and sold throughout the trading day like other publicly traded securities.

The Trust continuously offers the Trust Shares in baskets consisting of 25,000 Shares to authorized participants. Authorized participants pay a transaction fee for each order they place to create or redeem one or more baskets. The administrator calculates the cost to purchase (or sell in the case of a redemption order) the amount of AVAX represented by the baskets being created (or redeemed); the amount of AVAX represented is equal to the combined NAV of the number of Shares included in the baskets being created (or redeemed).

The Trust creates and redeems Shares, but only in one or more baskets. Baskets are only made in exchange for delivery to the Trust or the distribution by the Trust of the amount of AVAX represented by the baskets being created or redeemed, the amount of which is equal to the combined NAV of the number of Shares included in the baskets being created or redeemed determined as of 4:00 p.m. EST on the day the order to create or redeem baskets is properly received. The authorized participants deliver cash or AVAX to create baskets and receive cash or AVAX when redeeming Shares. For a subscription in cash, an authorized participant will deliver cash to the Trust's account at the cash custodian, which the Sponsor will then use to purchase AVAX from a liquidity provider chosen by the Sponsor. For a redemption in cash, the Sponsor will arrange for the AVAX represented by the basket to be sold to a liquidity provider chosen by the Sponsor and the cash proceeds distributed from the Trust's account at the cash custodian to the authorized participant. For an "in-kind" subscription, authorized participants will deliver, or arrange for the delivery by the authorized participant's designee of, AVAX to the Trust's account with the AVAX Custodians in exchange for Shares when they purchase Shares. For an "in-kind" redemption transaction with the Trust, when authorized participants redeem Shares, the Trust through the AVAX Custodians, will deliver AVAX to such authorized participants, or a designee thereof, in exchange for their Shares. Only authorized participants may place orders to create and redeem baskets through the transfer agent. The transfer agent will coordinate with the Trust's AVAX Custodians to facilitate settlement of the Shares and AVAX.

Share and capital activity is as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2026[a]		Nine Months Ended September 30, 2026[a]	
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount
Beginning of period	825,000	$ 16,359,354	100,000	$ 2,500,000
Shares issued	125,000	2,505,622	850,000	16,364,976
Shares redeemed	—	—	—	—
End of period	950,000	$ 18,864,976	950,000	$ 18,864,976

(a) No comparative share activity have been provided as the Trust did not have any operations as of September 30, 2025.

Note 6. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

In the normal course of business, the Trust enters into contracts that contain a variety of general indemnifications. The Trust's maximum exposure under these agreements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Trust that have not yet occurred. However, the Sponsor believes the risk of loss under these arrangements to be remote.

Note 7. Risk

Substantially all of the Trust's assets are holdings of AVAX, which creates a concentration risk associated with fluctuations in the value of AVAX due to a number of factors. Accordingly, a decline in the value of AVAX will have an adverse effect on the value of the Shares of the Trust. Factors that may have the effect of causing a decline in the value of AVAX include high volatility, which could have a negative impact on the performance of the Trust. AVAX platforms are relatively new and may be unregulated or may be subject to regulation in a relevant jurisdiction, but may not be complying, and therefore, may be more exposed to fraud and security breaches than established, regulated exchanges for other financial assets or instruments, which could have a negative impact on the performance of the Trust. The value of

the Shares depends on the development and acceptance of the AVAX network. The slowing or stopping of the development or acceptance of the AVAX network may adversely affect an investment in the Trust. The price of AVAX on the AVAX market has exhibited periods of extreme volatility. Digital assets such as AVAX were only introduced within the past decade, and the medium-to-long term value of the Shares is subject to a number of factors relating to the capabilities and development of block-chain technologies and to the fundamental investment characteristics of digital assets that are uncertain and difficult to evaluate. The Trust is subject to risks due to its concentration of investments in a single asset class. Possible illiquid markets may exacerbate losses or increase the variability between the Trust's NAV and its market price. The amount of AVAX represented by the Shares may decline over time.

Future and current regulations by a United States or foreign government or quasi-governmental agency could have an adverse effect on an investment in the Trust. Shareholders do not have the protections associated with ownership of Shares in an investment company registered under the 1940 Act or the protections afforded by the Commodity Exchange Act. Future legal or regulatory developments may negatively affect the value of AVAX or require the Trust or the Sponsor to become registered with the SEC or CFTC, which may cause the Trust to liquidate.

The Exchange on which the Shares are listed may halt trading in the Trust's Shares, which would adversely impact a Shareholder's ability to sell Shares. The market infrastructure of the AVAX spot market could result in the absence of active authorized participants able to support the trading activity of the Trust.

Shareholders that are not authorized participants may only purchase or sell their Shares in secondary trading markets, and the conditions associated with trading in secondary markets may adversely affect Shareholders' investment in the Shares.

Note 8. Financial Highlights[a]

The financial highlights summarize certain per share operating information and financial ratios of net investment income and expenses, to daily average net assets for the periods below. An individual investor's return and ratios may vary based on the timing of capital transactions:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2026	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2026
Net asset value per share, beginning of period	$ 14.02	$ 25.18
From investment operations:		
Net investment income[b]	0.16	0.48
Net realized gain (loss) and change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments in avalanche[c]	9.21	(2.27)
Net increase (decrease) resulting from operations	9.37	(1.79)
Less distribution to shareholders		
Decrease in net assets resulting from distributions to shareholders	(0.17)	(0.17)
Net asset value per share, end of period	$ 23.22	$ 23.22
Total return[d]	67.77%	(6.60)%
Ratios to average net assets[e]		
Gross expense	0.20%	0.20%
Net expense	0.20%	0.18%
Net investment income	4.23%	3.76%

(a) No prior comparative financial statements have been provided as the Trust did not have any operations as of September 30, 2025.
(b) Net investment income per share has been calculated based upon an average of daily shares outstanding.
(c) The amount shown for a share outstanding throughout the period may not agree with the change in the aggregate gains and losses for the period because of the timing of sales and repurchases of the Trust's shares in relation to fluctuating market values of AVAX.
(d) Returns are not annualized and include adjustments required by GAAP. Returns for financial statements purposes may differ from net asset values and performance reported elsewhere by the Trust.
(e) Annualized.

Note 9. Subsequent Event Review

On October 5, 2026, the Trust declared a distribution of $0.2233 per share to shareholders of record on October 6, 2026, payable on October 7, 2026. The Trust has evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through the date the financial statements were issued and has determined that there are no other material events that require disclosure in the financial statements.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

This information should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes to financial statements included with this report (this "Report"). The discussion and analysis that follows may contain statements that relate to future events or future performance. In some cases, such forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "could," "expect," "plan," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "potential" or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. All statements (other than statements of historical fact) included in this Report that address activities, events or developments that may occur in the future, including such matters as changes in commodity prices and market conditions (for AVAX and the common shares of beneficial interest (the "Shares") of VanEck Avalanche ETF (the "Trust")), the operations of the Trust, the plans of VanEck Digital Assets, LLC (the "Sponsor") and references to the Trust's future success and other similar matters are forward-looking statements. These statements are only predictions. Actual events or results may differ materially. These statements are based upon certain assumptions and analyses made by the Sponsor on the basis of its perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. Whether or not actual results and developments will conform to the Sponsor's expectations and predictions is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including the special considerations discussed in this Report, general economic, market and business conditions, changes in laws or regulations, including those concerning taxes, made by governmental authorities or regulatory bodies, and other world economic and political developments. Consequently, all the forward-looking statements made in this Report are qualified by these cautionary statements, and there can be no assurance that the actual results or developments the Sponsor anticipates will be realized or, even if substantially realized, will result in the expected consequences to, or have the expected effects on, the Trust's operations or the value of the Shares issued by the Trust. Moreover, neither the Sponsor nor any other person assumes responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the forward-looking statements. Neither the Trust nor the Sponsor undertakes an obligation to publicly update or conform to actual results any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as required by law.

Introduction

The Trust is a Delaware statutory trust. The Trust does not have directors, officers or employees. The creation and operation of the Trust have been arranged by the Sponsor. The Trust is governed by the trust agreement (the "Trust Agreement"), among the Sponsor and CSC Delaware Trust Company (the "Trustee"). The Trust is managed and controlled by the Sponsor, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Van Eck Associates Corporation ("VanEck"). The Sponsor is not governed by a board of directors.

The Trust's investment objective is to reflect the performance of the price of AVAX and rewards from staking a portion of the Trust's AVAX, to the extent the Sponsor in its sole discretion determines that the Trust may do so without undue legal or regulatory risk, such as, without limitation, by jeopardizing the Trust's ability to qualify as a grantor trust for tax purposes, less the operating expenses of the Trust. The Trust is a passive investment vehicle that does not seek to pursue any investment strategy beyond tracking the price of AVAX and earning staking rewards. The Trust does not engage in any activities designed to obtain a profit from, or ameliorate losses caused by, changes in the price of AVAX.

The Trust issues and redeems Shares only in aggregations of 25,000 Shares (each a "Basket"), or integral multiples thereof, and only in transactions with authorized participants.

Shares of the Trust trade on The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (the "Exchange") under the ticker symbol "VAVX."

Computation of Net Asset Value

The Trust's net asset value ("NAV") is calculated based on the Trust's net asset holdings as reconciled to the accounts of the custodians of the Trust's AVAX (the "AVAX Custodians") on a market approach, determined on a daily basis in accordance with the MarketVector^{TM} Avalanche Benchmark Rate price at 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The Trust's NAV per Share is calculated by taking the current market value of its total assets, subtracting any liabilities, and then dividing that total by the total number of outstanding Shares. The Trust Agreement gives the Sponsor the exclusive authority to determine the Trust's NAV and the Trust's NAV per Share, which it has delegated to the Trust's administrator (the "Administrator").

Liquidity

The Trust is not aware of any trends, demands, conditions or events that are reasonably likely to result in material changes to its liquidity needs. In exchange for a fee, the Sponsor has agreed to assume most of the expenses incurred by the Trust. As a result, the only expenses of the Trust that will be incurred will be the Sponsor's fee (the "Sponsor Fee"). The Trust also incurs fees in connection with staking activities, which are deducted from staking rewards in accordance with the applicable staking arrangements.

The Trust's primary source of liquidity is the sale of AVAX, including AVAX received as staking rewards, which may be sold to fund quarterly cash distributions to holders of Shares ("Shareholders"). To manage liquidity and redemption risks associated with staking, the Sponsor intends to maintain a portion of the Trust's AVAX holdings unstaked to accommodate anticipated redemptions and other liquidity needs.

Significant Accounting Policies

In preparing financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, management makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as the reported amount of revenue and expenses reported during the period. Actual results could differ from these estimates. A description of the valuation of AVAX, a critical accounting policy that the Trust believes is important to understanding its results of operations and financial position, is provided in the section entitled "Computation of Net Asset Value" above. In addition, please refer to Note 2 to the financial statements included in this Report for further discussion of the Trust's accounting policies.

Results of Operations

The Three Months Ended September 30, 2026

The Trust's net assets increased from $11,563,028 at June 30, 2026 to $22,057,853 at September 30, 2026, a 90.76% increase. The increase in the Trust's net assets resulted from an increase in the price of AVAX, which increased 65.82% from $6.70 at June 30, 2026 to $11.11 at September 30, 2026, and an increase in the number of outstanding Shares from 825,000 Shares at June 30, 2026 to 950,000 Shares at September 30, 2026. This is the net result of 125,000 Shares (5 Baskets) being created and no Shares being redeemed during the three months. The Trust also paid distributions to Shareholders of $140,003 ($0.17 per Share) from staking rewards during the three months.

The 65.62% increase in the NAV per Share from $14.02 at June 30, 2026 to $23.22 at September 30, 2026 is primarily related to the 65.86% increase in the price of AVAX during the three months, as well as income from staking activities.

The NAV per Share of $23.69 on September 29, 2026, was the highest during the three months, compared with a low during the three months of $12.92 on July 24, 2026.

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations for the three months ended September 30, 2026 was $8,129,206, resulting from a net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investment in AVAX of $8,046,314 and net investment income of $139,353 from staking activities, partially offset by a net realized loss of $52,185 on AVAX sold for the staking reward distribution and a net realized loss of $4,276 from AVAX sold to pay expenses during the three months. Other than the Sponsor Fee of $6,562, the Trust had no other expenses during the three months.

The Nine Months Ended September 30, 2026

The Trust's net assets increased from $2,517,563 at December 31, 2025 to $22,057,853 at September 30, 2026, a 776.16% increase. The increase in the Trust's net assets resulted primarily from an increase in the number of outstanding Shares, which increased from 100,000 Shares at December 31, 2025 to 950,000 Shares at September 30, 2026. This is the net result of 850,000 Shares (34 Baskets) being created and no Shares being redeemed during the nine months. This was partially offset by a decrease in the price of AVAX, which decreased 9.08% from $12.22 at December 31, 2025 to $11.11 at September 30, 2026. The Trust also paid distributions to Shareholders of $140,003 ($0.17 per Share) from staking rewards during the nine months.

The 7.78% decrease in the NAV per Share from $25.18 at December 31, 2025 to $23.22 at September 30, 2026 is primarily related to the 9.06% decrease in the price of AVAX during these nine months, partially offset by income from staking activities.

The NAV per Share of $30.22 on January 14, 2026, was the highest during the nine months, compared with a low during the nine months of $12.75 on June 25, 2026.

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2026 was $3,315,317, resulting from a net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investment in AVAX of $3,063,339 and net investment income of $309,055 from staking activities, partially offset by a net realized loss of $52,185 on AVAX sold for the staking reward distribution and a net realized loss of $4,892 from AVAX sold to pay expenses during the nine months. Other than the net Sponsor Fee of $15,108, the Trust had no other expenses during the nine months.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Not applicable.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

The duly authorized officers of the Sponsor performing functions equivalent to those a principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the Trust would perform if the Trust had any officers have evaluated the effectiveness of the Trust's disclosure controls and procedures, and have concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures of the Trust were effective as of the end of the period covered by this Report to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in the reports that the Trust files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the applicable rules and forms, and that it is accumulated and communicated to the duly authorized officers of the Sponsor performing functions equivalent to those a principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the Trust would perform if the Trust had any officers, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures.

Part II. OTHER INFORMATION.

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

None.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

Except as set forth below, there have been no material changes to the risk factors previously disclosed under Part I, Item 1A of the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2025, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 30, 2026.

The Trading Prices Of Many Digital Assets, Including AVAX, Have Experienced Extreme Volatility in Recent Periods and May Continue To Do So. Extreme Volatility in The Future, Including Further Declines in the Trading Prices Of AVAX, Could Have a Material Adverse Effect on the Value of the Shares and the Shares Could Lose All or Substantially All of Their Value.

The trading prices of many digital assets, including AVAX, have experienced extreme volatility in recent periods and may continue to do so. For instance, there were steep increases in the value of certain digital assets, including AVAX, over the course of 2021, and multiple market observers asserted that digital assets were experiencing a "bubble." These increases were followed by steep drawdowns throughout 2022 in digital asset trading prices, including for AVAX. These episodes of rapid price appreciation followed by steep drawdowns have occurred multiple times throughout AVAX's history. AVAX prices have continued to exhibit extreme volatility through the date of this Report.

Extreme volatility may persist and the value of the Shares may significantly decline in the future without recovery. The digital asset markets may still be experiencing a bubble or may experience a bubble again in the future. For example, in the first half of 2022, each of Celsius Network, Voyager Digital Ltd., and Three Arrows Capital declared bankruptcy, resulting in a loss of confidence in participants of the digital asset ecosystem and negative publicity surrounding digital assets more broadly. In November 2022, FTX Trading Ltd. ("FTX"), one of the largest digital asset exchanges by volume at the time, halted customer withdrawals amid rumors of the company's liquidity issues and likely insolvency, which were subsequently corroborated by its CEO. Shortly thereafter, FTX's CEO resigned and FTX and many of its affiliates filed for bankruptcy in the United States, while other affiliates have entered insolvency, liquidation, or similar proceedings around the globe, following which the U.S. Department of Justice brought criminal fraud and other charges, and the SEC and CFTC brought civil securities and commodities fraud charges, against certain of FTX's and its affiliates' senior executives, including its former CEO. In addition, several other entities in the digital asset industry filed for bankruptcy following FTX's bankruptcy filing, such as BlockFi Inc. and Genesis Global Capital, LLC ("Genesis"). In response to these events (collectively, the "2022 Events"), the digital asset markets have experienced extreme price volatility and other entities in the digital asset industry have been, and may continue to be, negatively affected, further undermining confidence in the digital asset markets. The 2022 Events have also negatively impacted the liquidity of the digital asset markets as certain entities affiliated with FTX engaged in significant trading activity. If the liquidity of the digital asset markets continues to be negatively impacted by these events, digital asset prices, including AVAX, may continue to experience significant volatility or price declines and confidence in the digital asset markets may be further undermined. In addition, regulatory and enforcement scrutiny has increased, including from, among others, the Department of Justice, the SEC, the CFTC, the White House and Congress, as well as state regulators and authorities, and the digital asset industry remains subject to significant attention from regulators, legislators and policymakers. These events are continuing to develop and the full facts are continuing to emerge. It is not possible to predict at this time all of the risks that they may pose to the Trust, its service providers or to the digital asset industry as a whole.

In September 2026, Bitget, a digital asset platform, reported that a security breach resulted in unauthorized transfers of approximately $388 million in digital assets and the temporary suspension of withdrawals. According to reports from blockchain security firms, hacks and exploits across the digital asset industry resulted in approximately $768 million in reported gross losses during September 2026, some of which were subsequently recovered. According to the FBI, on October 29, 2026, unauthorized third parties transferred more than $6 billion in digital assets from wallets attributed to Binance, the largest digital asset trading platform by trading volume. Blockchain analytics firm TRM Labs characterized the incident as the largest theft of digital assets on record. A security incident involving a major trading platform may affect confidence in, and trading activity across, the broader AVAX and crypto markets, including on the constituent trading platforms. Because the Index is based on prices from a limited number of constituent trading platforms, any resulting disruption on those platforms could affect the Index price. To the extent that AVAX is stolen in a hack or acquired through the exchange of other stolen digital assets, its subsequent sale in the market could exert downward pressure on the price of AVAX or result in the suspension of trading or other activities in key AVAX markets, including decentralized finance protocol. Given the smaller market and lower trading liquidity for AVAX relative to bitcoin and ETH, such sales or disruptions could have a greater effect on the price of AVAX and the value of the Shares. Such incidents, particularly one of this scale, may undermine

confidence in digital asset platforms, networks and markets, adversely affect liquidity and trading activity, lead to withdrawal suspensions or other disruptions at digital asset platforms, increase regulatory and enforcement scrutiny, and contribute to volatility or declines in the price of AVAX and the value of the Shares.

Many expect the Trump administration to facilitate a supportive regulatory approach toward the digital asset industry. Through his executive orders, President Trump has indicated that the administration will work toward providing greater regulatory clarity for blockchain technology and digital assets, thereby fostering their development in the U.S. Similarly, the digital asset industry expects favorable legislation from the new U.S. Congress as certain members have expressed interest in advancing digital asset specific legislation. There can be no assurance that market expectations around future activity by the administration or Congress will be fulfilled, or that digital asset prices will rise or maintain their current levels. Some commentators have referred to the digital asset market post-President Trump's election as a bubble. There can be no assurance that such a bubble does not exist. The failure of the administration and Congress to provide the expected level of regulatory clarity and support for blockchain technology and digital assets, could lead to a decline in digital asset prices, including AVAX. Such a decline could cause a decline in the value of the Shares and cause Shareholders to suffer losses. Moreover, there can be no assurance that political dynamics and sentiments toward the digital asset industry, or market perceptions of those sentiments, will not shift over time.

In addition, the Guiding and Establishing National Innovation for U.S. Stablecoins Act of 2025 ("GENIUS Act"), which establishes a federal framework for payment stablecoins, was enacted in July 2025. Throughout 2026, proposed regulations implementing the GENIUS Act have been issued by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the U.S. Department of the Treasury and the Office of Foreign Assets Control addressing the requirements with respect to payment stablecoins and their issuers, including reserve, redemption, prudential risk and anti-money laundering requirements. As a result, the regulatory framework implementing the GENIUS Act remains pending and its final scope and effects are uncertain. The Digital Asset Market Clarity Act of 2025 (the "CLARITY Act"), which is intended to establish a federal market-structure framework for certain digital assets, passed the U.S. House of Representatives in July 2025 and was advanced by the U.S. Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs in May 2026. On September 15, 2026, the Senate failed to invoke cloture on a motion to proceed to consideration of the CLARITY Act by a vote of 49–50. The CLARITY Act has not been enacted, and its prospects remain uncertain. In the absence of comprehensive federal market-structure legislation, the SEC and CFTC have continued to pursue regulatory initiatives under their existing authorities, including rulemaking proposals, interpretations and guidance concerning digital assets. These initiatives may be revised, withdrawn or challenged and may not eliminate regulatory uncertainty for digital asset market participants. Delays in, changes to, or adverse developments relating to implementation of the GENIUS Act, enactment of the CLARITY Act or similar legislation, or other federal or state regulatory actions, including SEC and CFTC rulemaking, interpretations and guidance, could negatively affect market sentiment, liquidity, trading activity, or the prices of digital assets, including AVAX. Any resulting decline in the price of AVAX could cause a reduction in the value of the Shares and cause Shareholders to suffer losses.

On March 6, 2025, President Trump issued an executive order for the "Establishment of the Strategic Bitcoin Reserve and United States Digital Asset Stockpile" (the "Order"). The Order requires the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Treasury to establish two offices to administer and maintain a "Strategic Bitcoin Reserve" (the "Bitcoin Reserve") and a U.S. Digital Asset Stockpile (the "Digital Asset Stockpile"), respectively. The Bitcoin Reserve is intended to be capitalized with bitcoin forfeited as part of U.S. criminal or civil proceedings or in satisfaction of penalties imposed by executive agencies. The Order directs the Secretaries of the U.S. Treasury Department and the U.S. Department of Commerce to develop budget-neutral strategies for acquiring additional bitcoin for the Bitcoin Reserve. As established by the Order, the Bitcoin Reserve will not contain AVAX, and there can be no assurance, and there is no present indication, that it would be changed to include AVAX in the future. The Digital Asset Stockpile is intended to be capitalized initially with digital assets other than bitcoin forfeited as part of criminal or civil asset forfeiture proceedings, which could include AVAX; however, there will be no new acquisitions of AVAX as part of the Digital Asset Stockpile. While legislation has been introduced in the U.S. Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives that would direct the acquisition of one million bitcoin by the federal government over a five-year period, no similar federal legislation has been introduced that would expressly provide for acquiring AVAX. Even if such legislation providing for the acquisition of AVAX were to be introduced at the federal level, it could fail to pass. If now or in the future, the U.S. federal government or any state government or any instrumentality thereof does not announce AVAX acquisition plans, or does announce such plans but these plans fall short of market expectations, the price of AVAX may decline, which may impact Share value. Further, executive orders such as the Order are subject to change and can be reversed or overturned. The enduring existence and size of the Digital Asset Stockpile is subject to complex challenges and uncertainty that makes it difficult to evaluate its effect on the value of AVAX and the Shares, now or in the future. There can be no assurance that any particular legislation will ever be introduced or passed at either the federal or state level providing for the acquisition of AVAX by governmental instrumentalities.

Extreme volatility in the future, including further declines in the trading prices of AVAX, could have a material adverse effect on the value of the Shares and the Shares could lose all or substantially all of their value. Furthermore, negative perception, a lack of stability

and standardized regulation in the digital asset economy may reduce confidence in the digital asset economy and may result in greater volatility in the price of AVAX and other digital assets, including a depreciation in value. The Trust is not actively managed and will not take any actions to take advantage, or mitigate the impacts, of volatility in the price of AVAX.

Digital Asset Treasury Companies Risk.

Since 2020, a number of companies engaged in businesses outside the digital assets industry have begun to hold their corporate treasuries in digital assets instead of in fiat currency ("digital asset treasury companies"). In some cases these companies have raised funds through financing or securities offerings and applied the proceeds to purchase digital assets, including AVAX.

Digital asset treasury companies are a relatively new phenomenon and it is impossible to predict all of the risks they could pose to the Trust. In 2026, certain digital asset treasury companies have experienced significant declines in their market valuations, which may limit their ability to raise additional financing to acquire digital assets, including AVAX, or increase pressure to sell their existing holdings. On the one hand, digital asset treasury companies may increase procyclical dynamics in the market because they may purchase digital assets, such as AVAX, when prices are rising and they may sell such assets when prices are decreasing, potentially making AVAX more expensive in a rising market and then causing downward pressure on AVAX prices in a falling market (causing prices to fall faster than they otherwise would). Digital asset treasury companies could cause greater volatility in digital asset markets, including markets for AVAX. Negative events or sentiment surrounding digital asset treasury companies could affect the market for AVAX. On the other hand, digital asset treasury companies may compete with the Trust in the marketplace as a perceived alternative means of achieving exposure to the price of AVAX (to a greater or lesser extent) through investing in securities. The foregoing or similar events involving digital asset treasury companies could adversely affect holders of Shares in the Trust.

Tokenization of the Shares by unaffiliated third parties could adversely affect the liquidity and trading price of the Shares.

On September 17, 2026, the SEC issued temporary, conditional exemptive relief permitting certain Tokenized Securities Venues ("TSVs") to facilitate trading in tokenized NMS stocks, including exchange-traded products such as the Shares. Under this relief, the Shares may be tokenized by an unaffiliated third party and made available for trading on a TSV without the Trust's or Sponsor's affirmative consent, provided that the TSV gives the Trust prior written notice and the Trust does not object within 30 calendar days after receiving such notice. The Trust may not receive the notice sent by a TSV or may choose not to object to one or more of such notices. The Trust may also consider whether it will tokenize the Shares using an on-chain transfer agent. On September 1, 2026, the SEC also proposed amendments to its rules governing registered transfer agents, including changes addressing tokenized securities recordkeeping and the processing and safeguarding of securities. The proposal has not been adopted, and any final rules could affect the manner in which tokenized Shares are recorded or transferred, potentially creating additional costs or operational risks for the intermediaries involved.

If tokenized Shares were made available for trading on a TSV, the Trust and the Sponsor would not control the TSV's trading or pricing mechanisms or the custody arrangements for such tokens. Trading on separate venues could fragment liquidity or cause tokenized Shares to trade at prices that differ from the market price of the Shares on The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC or the Trust's NAV, potentially adversely affecting the liquidity or trading price of the Shares.

The Value of the Shares Depends on the Development and Acceptance of the Avalanche Network. The Slowing or Stopping of the Development or Acceptance of the Avalanche Network May Adversely Affect an Investment in the Trust.

Digital assets such as AVAX have only been introduced within the past fifteen (15) years, and the value of the Shares is subject to a number of factors over time relating to the capabilities and development of blockchain technologies, such as the recentness of their development, their dependence on the internet and other technologies, their dependence on the role played by users, developers, and validators and the potential for malicious activity. AVAX itself was conceived only in 2020. For example, the realization of one or more of the following risks could materially adversely affect the value of the Shares: digital asset networks, including the Avalanche peer-to-peer network and associated blockchain ledger (such blockchain, the "Avalanche Blockchain" and together with the peer-to-peer network, the "Avalanche Network" or "Layer 1 Avalanche Network"), and the software used to operate them are in the early stages of development. Given the recentness of the development of digital asset networks, digital assets may not function as intended and parties may be unwilling to use digital assets, which would dampen the growth, if any, of digital asset networks. Because AVAX is a digital asset, the value of the Shares is subject to a number of factors relating to the fundamental investment characteristics of digital assets, including the fact that digital assets are bearer instruments and loss, theft, compromise, or destruction of the associated private keys could result in permanent loss of the asset.

The Avalanche Network, including the cryptographic and algorithmic protocols associated with the operation of the Avalanche Blockchain, has only been in existence since 2020, and AVAX markets have a limited performance record, making them part of a new

and rapidly evolving industry that is subject to a variety of factors that are difficult to evaluate. For example, the following are some of the risks could materially adversely affect the value of the Shares:

- Digital assets, including AVAX, are controllable only by the possessor of both the unique public key and private key or keys relating to the Avalanche Network address, or "wallet," at which the digital asset is held. Private keys must be safeguarded and kept private in order to prevent a third party from accessing the digital asset held in such wallet. One method of protecting private keys is "cold storage," in which private keys are stored offline rather than on internet-connected devices. Although cold storage is generally considered a more secure means of safeguarding private keys, it does not eliminate the risk of theft or compromise, including through vulnerabilities in the hardware or software used to generate or safeguard private keys. For example, beginning in July 2026, attackers reportedly exploited a firmware vulnerability affecting certain Coldcard hardware wallets to derive private keys and steal approximately $116 million in bitcoin without physically accessing the affected devices. The loss, theft, compromise or destruction of a private key required to access a digital asset may be irreversible. If a private key is lost, stolen, destroyed or otherwise compromised and no backup of the private key is accessible, the owner would be unable to access the digital asset corresponding to that private key and the private key will not be capable of being restored by the digital asset network resulting in the total loss of the value of the digital asset linked to the private key.

- Digital asset networks are dependent upon the internet. A disruption of the internet or a digital asset network, such as the Avalanche Network, would affect the ability to transfer digital assets, including AVAX, and, consequently, their value.

- Governance of the Avalanche Network is by voluntary consensus and open competition. As a result, there may be a lack of consensus or clarity on the governance of the Avalanche Network, which may stymie the Avalanche Network's utility and ability to grow and face challenges. In particular, it may be difficult to find solutions or marshal sufficient effort to overcome any future problems on the Avalanche Network, especially long-term problems.

- The foregoing notwithstanding, the Avalanche Network's protocol is informally overseen by a collective of core developers who propose amendments to the relevant network's source code. Core developers' roles evolve over time, largely based on self-determined participation. If a significant majority of users and validators were to adopt amendments to the Avalanche Network based on the proposals of such core developers, the Avalanche Network would be subject to new protocols that may adversely affect the value of AVAX.

- To the extent that any validators cease to record transactions that do not include the payment of a transaction fee or do not record a transaction because the transaction fee is too low, such transactions will not be recorded on the Avalanche Blockchain until a block is validated by a validator who does not require the payment of transaction fees or is willing to accept a lower fee. Any widespread delays in the recording of transactions could result in a loss of confidence in a digital asset network.

- As the Avalanche Network continues to develop and grow, certain technical issues might be uncovered and the trouble shooting and resolution of such issues requires the attention and efforts of Avalanche's global development community. Like all software, the Avalanche Network is at risk of vulnerabilities and bugs that can disrupt ordinary operations or potentially be exploited by malicious actors.

- Many digital asset networks, including the Avalanche Network, face significant scaling challenges and are being upgraded with various features designed to increase the speed of digital asset transactions and the number of transactions that can be processed in a given period (known as "throughput"). These attempts to increase the volume of transactions may not be effective, and such upgrades may fail, resulting in potentially irreparable damage to the Avalanche Network and the value of AVAX. On September 22, 2026, the Avalanche Network implemented an upgrade known as "Helicon," which introduced changes to transaction execution and gas pricing on the C-Chain, as well as to validator staking requirements and reward calculations. Among other changes, Helicon increased the uptime requirement for validators to earn staking rewards from 80% to 90% for validation periods beginning on or after the upgrade, reduced the minimum validator staking period from two weeks to 48 hours, and introduced an optional mechanism for automatic renewal of validator staking periods. Helicon also provides for a reduction in staking reward rates that is being phased in over the 90 days following the upgrade. Although the minimum delegation period remains unchanged at two weeks, these changes could affect validator operations, staking rewards and the performance of the Avalanche Network, including by increasing the potential for rapid changes in the composition of the validator set, which could adversely affect the value of AVAX and the Shares.

- Moreover, in the past, bugs, defects and flaws in the source code for digital assets have been exposed and exploited, including flaws that disrupted normal Avalanche Network, Avalanche Client, or DApp and smart contract operations or

disabled related functionality for users, exposed users' personal information and/or resulted in the theft of users' digital assets. See "-The Avalanche Blockchain Could Be Vulnerable to Centralization Concerns Which Could Adversely Affect the Security and Stability of the Avalanche Network As Well As the Value of the Shares." The cryptography underlying the Avalanche Network or AVAX as an asset could prove to be flawed or ineffective, or developments in mathematics and/or technology, including advances in digital computing, algebraic geometry and quantum computing, could result in such cryptography becoming ineffective. Quantum computing technology is an emerging phenomenon which, because it is still developing, makes it difficult to predict its ultimate effect on the future value of AVAX and other digital assets. However, if quantum computing technology is able to advance and significantly increase its capacity relative to the capacity of today's leading quantum computers, it could potentially undermine the viability of many of the cryptographic algorithms used across the world's information technology infrastructure, including the cryptographic algorithms used for digital assets like AVAX. If quantum computing is able to advance in that way, there is a risk that quantum computing could result in the cryptography underlying the Avalanche Network becoming ineffective, which, if realized, could compromise the security of the Avalanche Network, or allow a malicious actor to compromise the wallets holding AVAX owned by the Trust or others on the Avalanche Network, which would result in losses to Shareholders. The potential risks posed by advances in quantum computing have also attracted attention from U.S. policymakers. On August 24, 2026, the U.S. Department of the Treasury announced the establishment of a Quantum-Readiness Task Force to support the financial sector's transition to post-quantum cryptography, including a workstream focused on digital assets and emerging technology risks. There is no guarantee that new quantum-proof architectures for the Avalanche Network will be built and appropriate transitions will be implemented across the network at scale in a timely manner; any such changes could require the achievement of broad consensus within the Avalanche Network community and a fork (or multiple forks), and there can be no assurance that such consensus would be achieved or the changes implemented successfully. See "- The Avalanche Network's Decentralized Governance Structure May Negatively Affect Its Ability to Grow And Respond to Challenges." and "- A Temporary or Permanent "Fork" or a "Clone" of the Avalanche Blockchain Could Adversely Affect the Value of the Shares." If any of the foregoing were to occur, it could result in losses to Shareholders. Moreover, normal operations and functionality of the Avalanche Network may be negatively affected. Such losses of functionality could lead to the Avalanche Network losing attractiveness to users, nodes, validators, or other stakeholders, thereby dampening demand for AVAX. Even if another digital asset other than AVAX were affected by similar circumstances, any reduction in confidence in the source code or cryptography underlying digital assets generally could negatively affect the demand for digital assets and therefore adversely affect the value of the Shares.

- The Avalanche Network is still in the process of developing and making significant decisions that will affect policies that govern the supply and issuance of AVAX as well as other Avalanche Network protocols. The open-source nature of many digital asset network protocols, such as the protocol for the Avalanche Network, means that developers and other contributors are generally not directly compensated for their contributions in maintaining and developing such protocols. As a result, the developers and other contributors of a particular digital asset may lack a financial incentive to maintain or develop the network, or may lack the resources to adequately address emerging issues. Alternatively, some developers may be funded by companies whose interests are at odds with other participants in a particular digital asset network. If the Avalanche Network does not successfully develop its policies on supply and issuance, and other major design decisions or does so in a manner that is not attractive to network participants it could lead to a decline in adoption of the Avalanche Network and price of AVAX.

- In addition to the Layer 1 Avalanche Network, the Avalanche Network allows users to create non-core blockchains historically called "subnets," which are managed by distinct validator sets, responsible for their own security, and which can follow custom rules. Subnets, software applications running on top of the Layer 1 Avalanche Network or subnets (often referred to as "decentralized applications" or "DApps," whether or not decentralized in fact) and smart contract developers depend on being able to obtain AVAX to be able to run their programs and operate their businesses. In particular, many subnets, decentralized applications and smart contracts require AVAX in order to pay the gas fees needed to power such applications and smart contracts and execute transactions. As such, they represent a significant source of demand for AVAX. AVAX's price volatility (particularly where AVAX prices increase), or the Avalanche Network's wider inability to meet the demands of subnets, decentralized applications and smart contracts in terms of inexpensive, reliable, and prompt transaction execution (including during congested periods), or to solve its scaling challenges or increase its throughput, may discourage such subnet, decentralized application and smart contract developers from using the Avalanche Network as the foundational infrastructure layer for building their subnets, applications and smart contracts. If subnet, decentralized application and smart contract developers abandon the Avalanche Blockchain for other blockchain or digital asset networks or protocols for whatever reason, the value of AVAX could be negatively affected.

Moreover, because digital assets, including AVAX, have been in existence for a short period of time and are continuing to develop, there may be additional risks in the future that are impossible to predict as of the date of this Report.

Digital Asset Markets In The United States Exist In A State Of Regulatory Uncertainty, And Adverse Legislative Or Regulatory Developments Could Significantly Harm The Value Of AVAX Or The Shares, Such As By Banning, Restricting Or Imposing Onerous Conditions Or Prohibitions On The Use Of AVAX, Staking Activity, Digital Wallets, The Provision Of Services Related To Trading And Custodying AVAX, The Operation Of The Avalanche Network Or The Digital Asset Markets Generally.

There is a lack of consensus regarding the regulation of digital assets, including AVAX, and their markets. As a result of the growth in the size of the digital asset market, as well as the 2022 Events, the U.S. Congress and a number of U.S. federal and state agencies (including FinCEN, SEC, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "CFTC"), FINRA, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the Department of Justice, the Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the IRS, state financial institution regulators and others) have been examining the operations of digital asset networks, digital asset users and the digital asset markets. Congress is currently considering several bills relating to the regulation of digital assets and stablecoins, which may not pass and be enacted in their present form or at all.

Many state and federal agencies have brought enforcement actions or issued consumer advisories regarding the risks posed by digital assets to investors. Ongoing and future regulatory actions with respect to digital assets generally or AVAX in particular may alter, perhaps to a materially adverse extent, the nature of an investment in the Shares or the ability of the Trust to continue to operate.

The 2022 Events, including among others the bankruptcy filings of FTX and its subsidiaries, Three Arrows Capital, Celsius Network, Voyager Digital, Genesis, BlockFi and others, and other developments in the digital asset markets, have resulted in calls for heightened scrutiny and regulation of the digital asset industry, with a specific focus on intermediaries, such as digital asset platforms and custodians. Federal and state legislatures and regulatory agencies may introduce and enact new laws and regulations to regulate crypto asset intermediaries, such as digital asset exchanges and custodians. The March 2023 collapses of Silicon Valley Bank, Silvergate Bank and Signature Bank, which in some cases provided services to the digital assets industry, may amplify and/or accelerate these trends. On January 3, 2023, the federal banking agencies issued a joint statement on crypto-asset risks to banking organizations following events which exposed vulnerabilities in the crypto-asset sector, including the risk of fraud and scams, legal uncertainties, significant volatility and contagion risk. Although banking organizations are not prohibited from crypto-asset related activities, the agencies have expressed significant safety and soundness concerns with business models that are concentrated in crypto-asset related activities or have concentrated exposures to the crypto-asset sector.

U.S. federal and state regulators, as well as the White House, have issued reports and releases concerning crypto assets, including AVAX and crypto asset markets. Further, in 2023 the House of Representatives formed two new subcommittees: the Digital Assets, Financial Technology and Inclusion Subcommittee and the Commodity Markets, Digital Assets, and Rural Development Subcommittee, each of which were formed in part to analyze issues concerning crypto assets and demonstrate a legislative intent to develop and consider the adoption of federal legislation designed to address the perceived need for regulation of and concerns surrounding the crypto industry. However, the extent and content of any forthcoming laws and regulations are not yet ascertainable with certainty, and it may not be ascertainable in the near future. A divided Congress makes any prediction difficult. We cannot predict how these and other related events will affect us or the crypto asset business.

There remains substantial uncertainty regarding the regulation of digital assets, including AVAX, and their markets, notwithstanding certain federal interpretive actions intended to provide additional clarity. On March 17, 2026, the SEC issued the Interpretive Release regarding the application of the federal securities laws to certain types of digital assets and certain transactions involving digital assets, and the CFTC concurrently provided guidance that it and its staff will administer the Commodity Exchange Act consistent with that interpretation. Among other things, the Interpretive Release introduces a taxonomy for crypto assets; addresses how a non-security crypto asset may become subject to, and may cease to be subject to, an investment contract; and clarifies the application of the federal securities laws to airdrops, protocol mining, protocol staking and the wrapping of a non-security crypto asset. Although the March 17, 2026 interpretive guidance may provide greater clarity in certain respects, this guidance is not binding law, may be revised, and does not eliminate uncertainty, particularly with respect to the regulatory treatment of specific activities or transactions involving crypto assets.

On August 18, 2026, the SEC proposed Regulation Crypto Assets, which would establish registration exemptions for certain investment contracts involving crypto assets and a conditional safe harbor addressing when a crypto asset ceases to be subject to an investment contract. The proposal has not been adopted, may be revised or withdrawn, and does not address exchange-traded products such as the Trust. The Sponsor cannot predict whether Regulation Crypto Assets will be adopted or how these or other regulatory developments could affect digital asset markets, the price of AVAX or the value of the Shares. In August 2021, the chair of the SEC stated that he believed investors using digital asset trading platforms are not adequately protected, and that activities on the platforms can implicate the securities laws, commodities laws and banking laws, raising a number of issues related to protecting investors and consumers, guarding against illicit activity and ensuring financial stability. The chair expressed a need for the SEC to have additional authorities to prevent transactions, products and platforms from "falling between regulatory cracks," as well as for more resources to

protect investors in "this growing and volatile sector." The chair called for federal legislation centering on digital asset trading, lending and decentralized finance platforms, seeking "additional plenary authority" to write rules for digital asset trading and lending. Moreover, former President Biden's March 9, 2022 Executive Order, asserting that technological advances and the rapid growth of the digital asset markets "necessitate an evaluation and alignment of the United States Government approach to digital assets," signals an ongoing focus on digital asset policy and regulation in the United States. A number of reports issued pursuant to the executive order have focused on various risks related to the digital asset ecosystem, and have recommended additional legislation and regulatory oversight. There have also been several bills introduced in Congress that propose to establish additional regulation and oversight of the digital asset markets.

FinCEN requires any administrator or exchanger of convertible digital assets to register with FinCEN as a money transmitter and comply with the anti-money laundering regulations applicable to money transmitters. Entities which fail to comply with such regulations are subject to fines, may be required to cease operations and could have potential criminal liability. For example, in 2015, FinCEN assessed a $700,000 fine against a sponsor of a digital asset for violating several requirements of the U.S. Bank Secrecy Act, as amended ("BSA"), by acting as an MSB and selling the digital asset without registering with FinCEN and by failing to implement and maintain an adequate anti-money laundering program. In 2017, FinCEN assessed a $110 million fine against BTC-e, a now defunct digital asset exchange, for similar violations. The requirement that exchangers that do business in the U.S. register with FinCEN and comply with anti-money laundering regulations may increase the cost of buying and selling AVAX and therefore may adversely affect the price of AVAX and an investment in the Shares.

The Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") of the U.S. Department of the Treasury (the "U.S. Treasury Department") has added digital currency addresses, including on the Avalanche Blockchain, to the list of Specially Designated Nationals whose assets are blocked, and with whom U.S. persons are generally prohibited from dealing. Such actions by OFAC, or by similar organizations in other jurisdictions, may introduce uncertainty in the market as to whether AVAX that has been associated with such addresses in the past can be easily sold. This "tainted" AVAX may trade at a substantial discount to untainted AVAX. Reduced fungibility in the AVAX markets may reduce the liquidity of AVAX and therefore adversely affect their price.

Under regulations from NYDFS, businesses involved in digital asset business activity for third parties in or involving New York, excluding merchants and consumers, must apply for a license, commonly known as a "BitLicense," from the NYDFS and must comply with anti-money laundering, cyber security, consumer protection and financial and reporting requirements, among others. As an alternative to a BitLicense, a firm can apply for a charter to become a limited purpose trust company under New York law qualified to engage in certain digital asset business activities. Other states have considered or approved digital asset business activity statutes or rules, passing, for example, regulations or guidance indicating that certain digital asset business activities constitute money transmission requiring licensure.

The inconsistency in applying money transmitting licensure requirements to certain businesses may make it more difficult for these businesses to provide services, which may affect consumer adoption of AVAX and its price. In an attempt to address these issues, the Uniform Law Commission passed a model law in July 2017, the Uniform Regulation of Virtual Currency Businesses Act, which has many similarities to the BitLicense and features a multistate reciprocity licensure feature, wherein a business licensed in one state could apply for accelerated licensure procedures in other states. It is still unclear, however, how many states, if any, will adopt some or all of the model legislation.

Law enforcement agencies have often relied on the transparency of blockchains to facilitate investigations. However, certain privacy-enhancing features have been, or are expected to be, introduced to a number of digital asset networks. If the Avalanche Network were to adopt any of these features, these features may provide law enforcement agencies with less visibility into transaction-level data. For example, "privacy pools," zero knowledge proofs and other technologies that could enhance privacy have been discussed by participants in the Avalanche Network. Europol, the European Union's law enforcement agency, released a report in October 2017 noting the increased use of privacy-enhancing digital assets like Zcash and Monero in criminal activity on the internet. In August 2022, OFAC banned all U.S. citizens from using Tornado Cash, a digital asset protocol designed to obfuscate blockchain transactions, by adding certain Ethereum wallet addresses associated with the protocol to its Specially Designated Nationals list. On October 19, 2023, FinCEN published a proposed rulemaking to apply the authorities in Section 311 of the USA PATRIOT Act to impose requirements on financial institutions that engage in convertible virtual currency ("CVC") transactions with CVC mixers. The proposed rule, if adopted, would require covered financial institutions to report to FinCEN any CVC transactions they process that involves CVC mixing within or involving a jurisdiction outside the United States. The term "CVC mixing" covers more than just transactions that involve CVC mixers like Tornado Cash, and seemingly could cover a broader range of conduct involving technologies, services or methods that have the effect of obfuscating the source, destination or amount of a CVC transaction, whether or not the obfuscation was intentional. If the rule were to be adopted as proposed and if the Avalanche Network were to be deemed to or were to adopt features which come within the rule's ambit, it could cause covered financial institutions-such as many virtual currency exchanges, or the Trust's service providers, such as the Cash Custodian-to reduce support for or cease offering services for

AVAX or to the Trust, which could impair the utility of AVAX, the value of the Shares and the Trust's ability to operate in compliance with new laws and regulation.

A Determination That AVAX Or Any Other Digital Asset Is A "Security" May Adversely Affect The Value Of AVAX And The Value Of The Shares, And Result In Potentially Extraordinary, Nonrecurring Expenses To, Or Termination Of, The Trust.

Depending on its characteristics, a digital asset may be considered a "security" under the federal securities laws. The test for determining whether a particular digital asset is a "security" is complex and difficult to apply, and the outcome is difficult to predict.

Whether a digital asset is a security under the federal securities laws depends on whether it is included in the lists of instruments making up the definition of "security" in the Securities Act, the Exchange Act and the Investment Company Act. Digital assets as such do not appear in any of these lists, although each list includes the terms "investment contract" and "note," and the SEC has typically analyzed whether a particular digital asset is a security by reference to whether it meets the tests developed by the federal courts interpreting these terms, known as the Howey and Reves tests, respectively. For many digital assets, whether or not the Howey or Reves tests are met is difficult to resolve definitively, and substantial legal arguments can often be made both in favor of and against a particular digital asset qualifying as a security under one or both of the Howey and Reves tests. Adding to the complexity, the SEC staff has indicated that the security status of a particular digital asset can change over time as the relevant facts evolve.

In the Interpretive Release, the SEC stated that, based on its current understanding of the digital asset markets, AVAX is a "digital commodity" and not itself a security. Although the Interpretive Release represents the official position of the SEC, it is not itself a statute or binding rule, does not supersede or replace the Howey test, is based on the SEC's current understanding of the digital asset markets, and may be refined, revised or expanded. In addition, a court, regulator, or future administration could take a different view, and future legislation, rulemaking, enforcement positions, judicial decisions or other developments could result in AVAX, the Trust, the Shares or transactions involving AVAX being treated differently than contemplated by the Interpretive Release. Any such developments could adversely affect the Trust and the value of the Shares.

As part of determining whether AVAX is a security for purposes of the federal securities laws, the Sponsor takes into account a number of factors, including the various definitions of "security" under the federal securities laws and federal court decisions interpreting elements of these definitions, such as the U.S. Supreme Court's decisions in the Howey and Reves cases, as well as reports, orders, press releases, public statements and speeches by the SEC and its staff providing guidance on when a digital asset may be a security for purposes of the federal securities laws, and other materials relevant to the status of AVAX as a security (or not). Finally, the Sponsor discusses the security status of AVAX with its external securities lawyers. Through this process the Sponsor believes that it is applying the proper legal standards in making a good faith determination that it believes AVAX is not presently a security under federal law in light of the uncertainties inherent in the Howey and Reves tests. In light of these uncertainties and the fact-based nature of the analysis, the Sponsor acknowledges that AVAX may currently be a security, based on the facts as they exist today, or may in the future be found by the SEC or a federal court to be a security under the federal securities laws notwithstanding the Sponsor's prior conclusion; and the Sponsor's prior conclusion, even if reasonable under the circumstances and made in good faith, would not preclude legal or regulatory action based on the presence of a security.

The Sponsor may dissolve the Trust if the Sponsor determines AVAX is a security under the federal securities laws, whether that determination is initially made by the Sponsor itself, or because the SEC or a federal court subsequently makes that determination. Because the legal tests for determining whether a digital asset is or is not a security often leave room for interpretation, for so long as the Sponsor believes there to be good faith grounds to conclude that the Trust's AVAX is not a security, the Sponsor does not intend to dissolve the Trust on the basis that AVAX could at some future point be determined to be a security.

In June 2023, the SEC brought charges against Binance and Coinbase Global, and in November 2023, the SEC brought charges against Kraken, alleging that they operated unregistered securities exchanges, brokerages and clearing agencies. In its complaints, the SEC asserted that several digital assets were securities under the federal securities laws, including AVAX. Although those enforcement actions have since been dismissed, future changes in SEC policy, enforcement positions or judicial interpretations could result in AVAX being treated differently under the federal securities laws.

Any enforcement action by the SEC or a state securities regulator finding that AVAX is a security, or a court decision to that effect would be expected to have an immediate material adverse impact on the trading value of AVAX, as well as the Shares. This is because the business models behind most digital assets are incompatible with regulations applying to transactions in securities.

If a digital asset is determined to be a security, it is likely to become difficult or impossible for the digital asset to be traded, cleared or custodied in the United States through the same channels used by non-security digital assets, which in addition to materially and adversely affecting the trading value of the digital asset is likely to significantly impact its liquidity and market participants' ability to

convert the digital asset into U.S. dollars. For example, in 2020 the SEC filed a complaint against the issuer of XRP, Ripple Labs, Inc. and two of its executives, alleging that they raised more than $1.3 billion through XRP sales that should have been registered under the federal securities laws, but were not. In the years prior to the SEC's action, XRP's market capitalization at times reached over $140 billion. However, in the weeks following the SEC's complaint, XRP's market capitalization fell to less than $10 billion, which was less than half of its market capitalization in the days prior to the complaint. Although the SEC and Ripple reached a settlement in August 2025 to resolve the enforcement action and to dismiss their respective court appeals, which has largely been viewed as positive in the digital assets market, there remains continued uncertainty as to the regulatory framework that will be applied by the SEC and courts to digital assets. The SEC's action against XRP's issuer underscores the continuing uncertainty around which digital assets are securities, and demonstrates that such factors as how long a digital asset has been in existence, how widely held it is, how large its market capitalization is and that it has actual usefulness in commercial transactions, ultimately may have no bearing on whether the SEC or a court will find it to be a security.

In addition, if AVAX is determined to be a security, the Trust could be considered an unregistered "investment company" under SEC rules, which could necessitate the Trust's liquidation. In this case, the Trust and the Sponsor may be deemed to have participated in an illegal offering of securities and there is no guarantee that the Sponsor will be able to register the Trust under the Investment Company Act at such time or take such other actions as may be necessary to ensure the Trust's activities comply with applicable law, which could force the Sponsor to liquidate the Trust.

Moreover, whether or not the Sponsor or the Trust were subject to additional regulatory requirements as a result of any SEC or federal court determination that its assets include securities, the Sponsor may nevertheless decide to terminate the Trust, in order, if possible, to liquidate the Trust's assets while a liquid market still exists. For example, in response to the SEC's action against the issuer of XRP, certain significant market participants announced they would no longer support XRP and announced measures, including the delisting of XRP from major digital asset trading platforms. The sponsor of the Grayscale XRP Trust subsequently dissolved this trust and liquidated its assets. If the SEC or a federal court were to determine that AVAX is a security, it is likely that the value of the Shares of the Trust would decline significantly, and that the Trust itself may be terminated and, if practical, its assets liquidated.

Regulatory Changes or Actions in Foreign Jurisdictions May Affect the Value of the Shares or Restrict the Use of AVAX, Mining Activity or the Operation of Their Networks or the Global AVAX Markets in a Manner That Adversely Affects the Value of the Shares.

Various foreign jurisdictions have, and may continue to adopt laws, regulations or directives that affect digital asset networks (including the Avalanche Network), the digital asset markets (including the AVAX market), and their users, particularly digital asset exchanges and service providers that fall within such jurisdictions' regulatory scope. For example, if China or other foreign jurisdictions were to ban or otherwise restrict validating activity, including by regulating or limiting manufacturers' ability to produce or sell semiconductors or hard drives in connection with AVAX mining, it would have a material adverse effect on digital asset networks (including the Avalanche Network), the digital asset market, and as a result, impact the value of the Shares.

A number of foreign jurisdictions have taken regulatory action aimed at digital asset activities. China has made transacting in cryptocurrencies illegal for Chinese citizens in mainland China, and additional restrictions may follow. Both China and South Korea have banned initial coin offerings entirely and regulators in other jurisdictions, including Canada, Singapore, and Hong Kong, have opined that initial coin offerings may constitute securities offerings subject to local securities regulations. In May 2021, the Chinese government announced renewed efforts to restrict cryptocurrency trading and mining activities. Regulators in the Inner Mongolia and other regions of China have proposed regulations that would create penalties for companies engaged in cryptocurrency mining activities and introduce heightened energy saving requirements on industrial parks, data centers and power plants providing electricity to cryptocurrency miners. The United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority published final rules in October 2020 banning the sale of derivatives and exchange traded notes that reference certain types of digital assets, contending that they are "ill-suited" to retail investors citing extreme volatility, valuation challenges and association with financial crime. A new bill, the Financial Services and Markets Bill ("FSMB"), became law in 2023. The FSMB brings digital asset activities within the scope of existing laws governing financial institutions, markets and assets. In addition, the European Council of the European Union approved the text of Markets in Crypto-Assets ("MiCA") in October 2022. MiCA came into effect in 2024, establishing a regulatory framework for digital asset services across the European Union. MiCA is intended to serve as a comprehensive regulation of digital asset markets and imposes various obligations on digital asset issuers and service providers. The main aims of MiCA are industry regulation, consumer protection, prevention of market abuse and upholding the integrity of digital asset markets. The transitional period for crypto-asset service providers under MiCA ended on July 1, 2026. In June 2026, the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority published final cryptoasset rules, which are expected to take effect in October 2027.

Foreign laws, regulations or directives may conflict with those of the United States and may negatively impact the acceptance of one or more digital assets by users, merchants and service providers outside the United States and may therefore impede the growth or

sustainability of the digital asset economy in the European Union, China, Japan, Russia and the United States and globally, or otherwise negatively affect the value of AVAX. Moreover, other events, such as the interruption in telecommunications or internet services, cyber-related terrorist acts, civil disturbances, war, or other catastrophes, could also negatively affect the digital asset economy in one or more jurisdictions. For example, Russia's invasion of Ukraine on February 24, 2022 led to volatility in digital asset prices, with an initial steep decline followed by a sharp rebound in prices. The effect of any future regulatory change on the Trust or AVAX is impossible to predict, but such change could be substantial and adverse to the Trust and the value of the Shares.

Future legal or regulatory developments may negatively affect the value of AVAX or require the Trust or the Sponsor to become registered with the SEC or CFTC, which may cause the Trust to liquidate.

Current and future legislation, SEC and CFTC rulemaking, and other regulatory developments may impact the manner in which AVAX is treated for classification and clearing purposes. In particular, although the Interpretive Release classified AVAX as a digital commodity and not a security under the federal securities laws, AVAX may nonetheless in the future be classified by the CFTC as a "commodity interest" under the CEA. Alternatively, in the future a court or a future SEC administration could conclude that AVAX is a "security" under U.S. federal securities laws. The Sponsor and the Trust cannot be certain as to how future regulatory developments will impact the treatment of AVAX under the law. In the face of such developments, the required registrations and compliance steps may result in extraordinary, nonrecurring expenses to the Trust. If the Sponsor decides to terminate the Trust in response to the changed regulatory circumstances, the Trust may be dissolved or liquidated at a time that is disadvantageous to Shareholders.

On October 5, 2026, the CFTC issued an advance notice of proposed rulemaking concerning Regulation Crypto Asset Transactions ("Regulation CTX") and Regulation Crypto Asset Markets ("Regulation CAM"), seeking comment on potential rules governing certain retail crypto asset transactions and an optional federal registration framework for crypto asset trading venues. The CFTC has not proposed or adopted rules through this notice, and any subsequent rulemaking could affect the operation of digital asset trading platforms, trading activity or liquidity in AVAX markets, which could adversely affect the price of AVAX and the value of the Shares.

The SEC has stated that certain digital assets may be considered "securities" under the federal securities laws. The test for determining whether a particular digital asset is a "security" is complex and the outcome is difficult to predict. If AVAX is in the future determined to be a "security" under federal or state securities laws by the SEC or any other agency, or in a proceeding in a court of law or otherwise, it would likely have material adverse consequences for the value of AVAX. For example, it may become more difficult or impossible for AVAX to be traded, cleared and custodied in the United States as compared to other digital assets that are not considered to be securities, which could in turn negatively affect the liquidity and general acceptance of AVAX and cause users to migrate to other digital assets.

To the extent that AVAX is determined to be a security, the Trust and the Sponsor may also be subject to additional regulatory requirements, including under the 1940 Act, and the Sponsor may be required to register as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "Advisers Act"). If the Sponsor determines not to comply with such additional regulatory and registration requirements, the Sponsor will terminate the Trust. Any such termination could result in the liquidation of the Trust's AVAX at a time that is disadvantageous to Shareholders.

To the extent that AVAX is deemed to fall within the definition of a "commodity interest" under the CEA, the Trust and the Sponsor may be subject to additional regulation under the CEA and CFTC regulations. These additional requirements may result in extraordinary, recurring and/or nonrecurring expenses of the Trust, thereby materially and adversely impacting the Shares. If the Sponsor and/or the Trust determines not to comply with such additional regulatory and registration requirements, the Sponsor may terminate the Trust. Any such termination could result in the liquidation of the Trust's AVAX at a time that is disadvantageous to Shareholders.

The Treatment Of The Trust For U.S. Federal Income Tax Purposes Is Uncertain.

The Sponsor intends to take the position that the Trust is properly treated as a "grantor trust" for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Assuming that the Trust is a grantor trust, the Trust will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax. Rather, each Shareholder will be treated, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, as if it directly owned a pro rata share of the underlying assets held in the Trust, as if it directly received its pro rata share of the Trust's income, and as if it directly incurred its pro rata share of the Trust's expenses.

The Trust may take certain positions with respect to the tax consequences of Staking Activities, Incidental Rights and IR Virtual Currency. If the IRS were to disagree with, and successfully challenge, any of these positions, the Trust might not qualify as a grantor trust.

In 2025, the IRS released a revenue procedure (the "2025 Staking Guidance") establishing a safe harbor pursuant to which, if all the requirements listed in the 2025 Staking Guidance are satisfied, a trust's authorization pursuant to its trust agreement to stake its digital assets will not prevent the trust from qualifying as a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which safe harbor was clarified, modified, and superseded in October 2026 by a further revenue procedure (the "2026 Staking Guidance"). Under the 2026 Staking Guidance, if all of its requirements are satisfied, neither the authorization to stake nor the resulting staking will prevent the trust from qualifying as an investment trust and a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Sponsor intends to take the position that the Staking Activities meet the requirements of the 2026 Staking Guidance and are consistent with the Trust's qualification as a grantor trust. However, there can be no assurance that the Staking Activities will be conducted in a manner so as to qualify or remain qualified for the safe harbor of the 2026 Staking Guidance. If the IRS were to successfully challenge the position that the Staking Activities meet the requirements of the 2026 Staking Guidance and are otherwise consistent with the Trust's qualification as a grantor trust, the Trust would not qualify as a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

In addition, the Sponsor may determine which assets constitute AVAX and which network constitutes the Avalanche Network. Additionally, the Sponsor has committed to cause the Trust to irrevocably abandon any Incidental Rights and IR Virtual Currency to which the Trust may become entitled in the future. However, there can be no assurance that these abandonments would be treated as effective for U.S. federal income tax purposes, or that the Sponsor will continue to cause the Trust to irrevocably abandon any Incidental Rights and IR Virtual Currency if there are future regulatory developments that would make it feasible for the Trust to retain those assets. If the Trust were treated as owning any asset other than AVAX as of any date on which it creates or redeems Shares, it may likely cease to qualify as a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Because of the evolving nature of digital currencies, it is not possible to predict potential future developments that may arise with respect to digital currencies, including forks, airdrops, and other similar occurrences. Assuming that the Trust is currently a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, certain future developments could render it impossible, or impracticable, for the Trust to continue to be treated as a grantor trust for such purposes.

If the IRS were to successfully assert that the Trust is not classified as a grantor trust, the Trust would likely be classified as either a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which may affect the timing and/or other tax consequences to the Shareholders, or as a publicly traded partnership that would be taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, in which case the Trust would be taxed in the same manner as a corporation on its taxable income and distributions to Shareholders out of the earnings and profits of the Trust would be taxed to Shareholders as ordinary dividend income. Any such dividend distributed to a Shareholder that is a non-U.S. person for U.S. federal income tax purposes generally would be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax at a rate of 30% (or such lower rate as provided in an applicable tax treaty).

The Treatment Of Digital Currency And Staking Activities For U.S. Federal Income Tax Purposes Is Uncertain.

Assuming that the Trust is properly treated as a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, each beneficial owner of Shares will be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as the owner of an undivided interest in AVAX (and, if applicable, any Incidental Rights and IR Virtual Currency) held in the Trust. Due to the new and evolving nature of digital currencies and the absence of comprehensive guidance with respect to digital currencies, many significant aspects of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of digital currency are uncertain.

In 2014, the IRS released a notice (the "Notice") discussing certain aspects of "convertible virtual currency" (that is, digital currency that has an equivalent value in fiat currency or that acts as a substitute for fiat currency) for U.S. federal income tax purposes and, in particular, stating that such digital currency (i) is "property," (ii) is not "currency" for purposes of the rules relating to foreign currency gain or loss, and (iii) may be held as a capital asset. In 2019, the IRS released a revenue ruling and a set of "Frequently Asked Questions" (the "Ruling & FAQs") that provide some additional guidance, including guidance to the effect that, under certain circumstances, hard forks of digital currencies are taxable events giving rise to ordinary income and guidance with respect to the determination of the tax basis of digital currency. Moreover, in 2023, the IRS released a revenue ruling that provided guidance on digital currency staking, including guidance to the effect that staking rewards will, under certain circumstances, be treated as giving rise to taxable income (the "2023 Staking Guidance" and, together with the 2025 Staking Guidance and the 2026 Staking Guidance described above, the "Staking Guidance").

The Notice, the Ruling & FAQs and the Staking Guidance do not address other significant aspects of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of digital currencies and staking activities. Moreover, although the Ruling & FAQs address the treatment of hard forks, there continues to be uncertainty with respect to the timing and amount of the income inclusions.

Future developments that may arise with respect to digital currencies may increase the uncertainty with respect to the treatment of digital currencies for U.S. federal income tax purposes. For example, the Notice addresses only digital currency that is "convertible

virtual currency," and it is conceivable that, as a result of a fork, airdrop or similar occurrence, the Trust will hold certain types of digital currency that are not within the scope of the Notice.

There can be no assurance that the IRS will not alter its position with respect to digital currencies in the future or that a court would uphold the treatment set forth in the Notice, the Ruling & FAQs and the Staking Guidance. It is also unclear what additional guidance on the treatment of digital currencies or staking activities for U.S. federal income tax purposes may be issued in the future. Legislation could also increase the tax liability of the Trust or its Shareholders or adversely affect the Trust's grantor trust status. Any future legislation or guidance on the treatment of digital currencies or staking activities for U.S. federal income tax purposes could increase the expenses of the Trust and could have an adverse effect on the prices of digital currencies, including on the price of AVAX in the digital asset markets. As a result, any such future legislation or guidance could have an adverse effect on the value of the Shares.

Shareholders are urged to consult their tax advisers regarding the tax consequences of owning and disposing of Shares and digital currencies, as well as staking activities, in general.

Future Developments Regarding The Treatment Of Digital Currency And Staking Activities For U.S. Federal Income Tax Purposes Could Adversely Affect The Value Of The Shares.

As discussed above, many significant aspects of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of digital currency, such as AVAX, are uncertain, and it is unclear what guidance or legislation on the treatment of digital currency for U.S. federal income tax purposes may be issued or enacted in the future. It is possible that any such guidance would have an adverse effect on the prices of digital currency, including on the price of AVAX in digital asset exchanges, and therefore may have an adverse effect on the value of the Shares.

Because of the evolving nature of digital currencies, it is not possible to predict potential future developments that may arise with respect to digital currencies, including forks, airdrops and similar occurrences. Such developments may increase the uncertainty with respect to the treatment of digital currencies for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Moreover, certain future developments (including the potential issuance of IRS guidance or enactment of legislation that is contrary or otherwise adverse to the position taken by the Trust regarding the U.S. federal income tax characterization of staking activities) could render it impossible, or impracticable, for the Trust to continue to be treated as a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Shareholders Could Incur A Tax Liability Without An Associated Distribution Of The Trust.

In the normal course of business, the Trust expects to receive certain staking rewards that give rise to taxable income, and, in addition, it is possible that the Trust could incur a taxable gain in connection with the sale of AVAX (such as sales of AVAX to obtain fiat currency with which to pay the Sponsor Fee or Trust expenses, and including deemed sales of AVAX as a result of the Trust using AVAX to pay the Sponsor Fee or its expenses). In each case, such event may not be associated with a distribution to Shareholders. Accordingly, Shareholders may be subject to tax due to the grantor trust status of the Trust even though there is not a corresponding distribution from the Trust. In addition, to fund cash distributions of net staking income, the Trust may sell staking rewards and/or a portion of its AVAX, which may result in taxable income to Shareholders.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

a) None.

b) Not applicable.

c) No Shares were redeemed during the quarter ended September 30, 2026.

Period	Total Number of Shares Redeemed	Average Per Share
07/01/26 to 07/31/26	-	$ -
08/01/26 to 08/31/26	-	-
09/01/26 to 09/30/26	-	-
Total	-	$ -

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Exhibits.

See the Exhibit Index below, which is incorporated by reference herein.

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Exhibit Description
3.1	Certificate of Trust incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed by the Registrant on October 3, 2025
4.1	Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust and Trust Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed by the Registrant on November 26, 2025
10.1	Form of Initial Authorized Participant Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed by the Registrant on November 26, 2025
10.2	Form of Marketing Agent Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed by the Registrant on December 18, 2025
10.3	Anchorage Custody Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed by the Registrant on November 26, 2025
10.4	Trust Administration and Accounting Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of the Annual Report on Form 10-Kfiled by the Registrant on March 30, 2026
10.5	Transfer Agency Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 of the Annual Report on Form 10-K filed by the Registrant on March 30, 2026
10.6	Form of Index Sub-Licensing Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 of the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed by the Registrant on December 18, 2025
10.7	Cash Custody Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 of the Annual Report on Form 10-K filed by the Registrant on March 30, 2026
10.8	Subscription Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 of the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed by the Registrant on December 18, 2025
10.10	Second AVAX Custodian Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 of the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed by the Registrant on November 26, 2025
10.11	Staking Provider Agreement incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.10 of the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed by the Registrant on December 18, 2025
31.1*	Certification by Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
31.2*	Certification by Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.1*	Certification by Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.2*	Certification by Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
101.INS*	Inline XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document
101.SCH*	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema with Embedded Linkbase Documents
104*	Cover Page Interactive Data File included as Exhibit 101 (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

* Filed herewith.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned in the capacities* indicated thereunto duly authorized.

VANECK DIGITAL ASSETS, LLC
Sponsor of VanEck Avalanche ETF

By: /s/ Jan F. van Eck*
Jan F. van Eck
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

By: /s/ John J. Crimmins*
John J. Crimmins
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)

Date: November 13, 2026

* The Registrant is a trust and the persons are signing in their capacities as officers of VanEck Digital Assets, LLC, the Sponsor of the Registrant.

Exhibit 31.1

Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and 15d- 14(a) Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Amended

I, Jan F. van Eck, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q of VanEck Avalanche ETF (the "Trust");

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:

    (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
    (b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
    (c) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

    (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
    (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 13, 2026

/s/ Jan F. van Eck

Jan F. van Eck *
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)
***** The Registrant is a trust and the persons are signing in their capacities as officers of VanEck Digital Assets, LLC, the Sponsor of the Registrant.

Exhibit 31.2

Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and 15d- 14(a) Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Amended

I, John J. Crimmins, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this report on Form 10-Q of VanEck Avalanche ETF (the "Trust");

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:

    (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
    (b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
    (c) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

    (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
    (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 13, 2026

/s/ John J. Crimmins

John J. Crimmins *
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)
***** The Registrant is a trust and the persons are signing in their capacities as officers of VanEck Digital Assets, LLC, the Sponsor of the Registrant.

Exhibit 32.1

Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of VanEck Avalanche ETF (the "Trust") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2026 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned, in the capacity and on the date indicated below, hereby certifies pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and

2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Trust.

Date: November 13, 2026

/s/ Jan F. van Eck

Jan F. van Eck*
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

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Exhibit 32.2

Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of VanEck Avalanche ETF (the "Trust") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2026 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned, in the capacity and on the date indicated below, hereby certifies pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and

2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Trust.

Date: November 13, 2026

/s/ John J. Crimmins

John J. Crimmins*
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)

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