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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED  
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-21713

Madison Strategic Sector Premium Fund  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

550 Science Drive, Madison, WI 53711  
(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip code)

Pamela M. Krill  
Madison Asset Management, LLC  
550 Science Drive  
Madison, WI 53711  
(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 608-274-0300

Date of fiscal year end: December 31

Date of reporting period: September 30, 2013

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Madison Strategic Sector Premium Fund Portfolio of Investments (unaudited)

Item 1. Schedule of Investments.	Shares	Value (Note 1)
<b>COMMON STOCKS (A) - 72.6%</b>		
<b>Consumer Discretionary - 13.7%</b>		
Advance Auto Parts Inc.	20,000	\$1,653,600
Amazon.com Inc. *	4,000	1,250,560
CBS Corp., Class B	15,000	827,400
DIRECTV *	31,500	1,882,125
Discovery Communications Inc., Class C *	17,000	1,328,040
Home Depot Inc./The	13,000	986,050
Lululemon Athletica Inc. *	18,000	1,315,620
Panera Bread Co., Class A *	9,500	1,506,035
		10,749,430
<b>Energy - 9.2%</b>		
Apache Corp.	32,000	2,724,480
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	35,000	1,100,400
Petroleo Brasileiro S.A., ADR	60,000	929,400
Schlumberger Ltd.	28,000	2,474,080
		7,228,360
<b>Financials - 5.8%</b>		
Bank of America Corp.	49,800	687,240
BB&T Corp.	45,000	1,518,750
Morgan Stanley	40,000	1,078,000
T. Rowe Price Group Inc.	18,000	1,294,740
		4,578,730
<b>Health Care - 6.3%</b>		
Allergan Inc.	16,000	1,447,200
Cerner Corp. *	18,000	945,900
Mylan Inc. *	32,000	1,221,440
Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., ADR	35,000	1,322,300
		4,936,840
<b>Industrials - 2.9%</b>		
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Inc.	20,000	1,191,200
United Technologies Corp.	10,000	1,078,200
		2,269,400
<b>Information Technology - 27.5%</b>		
<b>Communications Equipment - 3.1%</b>		
QUALCOMM Inc.	36,000	2,424,960
<b>Computers &amp; Peripherals - 5.1%</b>		
Apple Inc.	5,500	2,622,125

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EMC Corp.	55,000	1,405,800
		4,027,925
Internet Software & Services - 2.8%		
eBay Inc. *	40,000	2,231,600
IT Services - 4.5%		

See accompanying Notes to Portfolios of Investments.

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Accenture PLC, Class A	27,000	1,988,280
Visa Inc., Class A	8,000	1,528,800
		3,517,080
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment - 4.9%		
Altera Corp.	34,000	1,263,440
Broadcom Corp., Class A	60,000	1,560,600
Linear Technology Corp.	25,000	991,500
		3,815,540
Software - 7.1%		
Check Point Software Technologies Ltd. *	13,000	735,280
Microsoft Corp.	65,000	2,165,150
Nuance Communications Inc. *	65,000	1,215,175
Oracle Corp.	45,000	1,492,650
		5,608,255
		21,625,360
Leisure and Consumer Staples - 1.1%		
CVS Caremark Corp.	15,000	851,250
Materials - 6.1%		
Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc.	55,000	1,819,400
Monsanto Co.	12,000	1,252,440
Mosaic Co./The	40,000	1,720,800
		4,792,640
Total Common Stocks ( Cost \$57,041,948 )		57,032,010
INVESTMENT COMPANIES - 6.0%		
Powershares QQQ Trust Series 1 ETF	30,000	2,365,500
SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	14,000	2,353,400
Total Investment Companies ( Cost \$4,608,956 )		4,718,900
	Par Value	Value (Note 1)
U.S. GOVERNMENT AND AGENCY OBLIGATIONS - 11.5%		
U.S. Treasury Bills (B) (C) - 11.5%		
0.036%, 10/10/13	\$5,000,000	4,999,956
0.018%, 1/30/14	4,000,000	3,999,900
		8,999,856

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Total U.S. Government and Agency Obligations ( Cost \$8,999,721 )		8,999,856
	Shares	
SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS - 18.2%		
State Street Institutional U.S. Government Money Market Fund	14,304,319	14,304,319
Total Short-Term Investments ( Cost \$14,304,319 )		14,304,319
TOTAL INVESTMENTS - 108.3% ( Cost \$84,954,944 )		85,055,085

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NET OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - (6.0%)	(4,742,247)
TOTAL CALL & PUT OPTIONS WRITTEN - (2.3%)	(1,791,632)
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS - 100.0%</b>	<b>\$78,521,206</b>

\* Non-income producing.

All or a portion of these securities' positions represent

(A) covers (directly or through conversion rights) for outstanding options written.

All or a portion of these securities are segregated as

(B) collateral for put options written. As of September 30, 2013, the total amount segregated was \$4,999,956.

(C) Rate noted represents annualized yield at time of purchase..

ADR American Depositary Receipt.

ETF Exchange Traded Fund.

PLC Public Limited Company.

Call Options Written	Contracts (100 shares per contract)	Expiration	Exercise Price	Value (Note 1)
Accenture PLC	150	October 2013	\$72.50	\$24,750
Accenture PLC	120	October 2013	75.00	5,700
Advance Auto Parts Inc.	200	January 2014	85.00	61,000
Allergan Inc.	110	October 2013	90.00	22,000
Altera Corp.	200	October 2013	38.00	7,500
Altera Corp.	140	October 2013	39.00	1,750
Amazon.com Inc.	40	October 2013	295.00	77,900
Apache Corp.	200	October 2013	85.00	34,800
Apache Corp.	120	October 2013	87.50	8,700
Apple Inc.	55	October 2013	475.00	73,287
Bank of America Corp.	498	October 2013	13.00	45,567
BB&T Corp.	180	October 2013	35.00	3,240
BB&T Corp.	270	January 2014	35.00	20,520
Broadcom Corp.	150	January 2014	28.00	15,150
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Inc.	100	October 2013	57.50	24,500
C.H. Robinson Worldwide Inc.	100	October 2013	60.00	8,750
Cerner Corp.	180	October 2013	50.00	54,900
Check Point Software Technologies Ltd.	130	October 2013	52.50	57,850
CVS Caremark Corp.	150	October 2013	60.00	1,725
DIRECTV	215	October 2013	60.00	24,510
DIRECTV	100	January 2014	62.50	22,372
eBay Inc.	200	October 2013	52.50	79,000
eBay Inc.	200	October 2013	55.00	44,600

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EMC Corp.	100	October 2013	26.00	3,000
EMC Corp.	250	January 2014	26.00	25,999
Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc.	300	October 2013	31.00	65,700
Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc.	250	October 2013	33.00	18,125
Home Depot Inc.	130	October 2013	77.50	6,890
Linear Technology Corp.	250	October 2013	39.00	31,875
Lululemon Athletica Inc.	180	October 2013	72.50	43,110
Microsoft Corp.	350	October 2013	32.00	53,025
Microsoft Corp.	300	October 2013	35.00	3,750
Monsanto Co.	120	October 2013	105.00	23,340
Morgan Stanley	400	October 2013	27.00	30,800
Mosaic Co./The	200	January 2014	47.50	31,383
Mylan Inc.	200	October 2013	31.00	143,000
Mylan Inc.	120	January 2014	39.00	20,724

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Nuance Communications Inc.	300	October 2013	20.00	6,750
Oracle Corp.	270	October 2013	33.00	16,335
Oracle Corp.	180	January 2014	34.00	19,170
Panera Bread Co.	25	October 2013	165.00	5,350
Powershares QQQ Trust Series 1	150	October 2013	76.00	49,950
Powershares QQQ Trust Series 1	150	October 2013	77.00	37,200
QUALCOMM Inc.	310	October 2013	65.00	87,110
QUALCOMM Inc.	50	October 2013	67.50	6,025
Schlumberger Ltd.	200	October 2013	82.50	125,000
Schlumberger Ltd.	80	October 2013	85.00	33,200
SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	140	October 2013	167.00	43,190
T.Rowe Price Group Inc.	110	January 2014	75.00	19,140
United Technologies Corp.	100	October 2013	105.00	38,000
VISA Inc.	60	October 2013	180.00	71,400
Total Call Options Written ( Premiums received \$1,508,098 )				\$1,778,612
Put Options Written				
Check Point Software Technologies Ltd.	100	October 2013	49.00	1,250
Monsanto Co.	90	October 2013	95.00	2,835
T. Rowe Price Group Inc.	110	October 2013	70.00	6,325
United Technologies Corp.	100	October 2013	97.50	1,950
VISA Inc.	60	October 2013	165.00	660
Total Put Options Written ( Premiums received \$115,977 )				\$13,020
Total Value of Options Written ( Premiums received \$1,624,075 )				\$1,791,632

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### Notes to Portfolios of Investments (Unaudited)

1. **Portfolio Valuation:** Securities traded on a national securities exchange are valued at their closing sale price, except for securities traded on NASDAQ which are valued at the NASDAQ official closing price ("NOCP") and options which are valued at the mean between the best bid and best ask price across all option exchanges. Securities having maturities of 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost, which approximates market value. Securities having longer maturities, for which quotations are readily available, are valued at their bid price. Mutual funds are valued at their Net Asset Value. Securities for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith under procedures approved by the Board of Trustees.

2. **Fair Value Measurements:** The Fund has adopted the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") guidance on fair value measurements. Fair value is defined as the price that each fund would receive upon selling an investment in a timely transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market of the investment. A three-tier hierarchy is used to maximize the use of observable market data "inputs" and minimize the use of unobservable "inputs" and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk (for example, the risk inherent in a particular valuation technique used to measure fair value including such a pricing model and/or the risk inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique). Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs are inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized in the three broad Levels listed below:

Level 1 – unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical investments

Level 2 - other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rate volatilities, prepayment speeds, credit risk, benchmark yields, transactions, bids, offers, new issues, spreads and other relationships observed in the markets among comparable securities, underlying equity of the issuer; and proprietary pricing models such as yield measures calculated using factors such as cash flows, financial or collateral performance and other reference data, etc.)

Level 3 - significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The valuation techniques used by the Fund to measure fair value for the period ended September 30, 2013, maximized the use of observable inputs and minimized the use of unobservable inputs. As of September 30, 2013, the Fund did not hold securities deemed as Level 3, and there were no transfers between classification levels.

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of September 30, 2013, in valuing the Fund's investments carried at fair value (please see the Portfolio of Investments for a listing of all securities within each category):

Description	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Investments (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Value at 9/30/2013
Assets:				
Common Stocks	\$57,032,010	\$ -	\$ -	\$57,032,010
Investment Companies	4,718,900	-	-	4,718,900

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U.S. Government and Agency Obligations	-	8,999,856	-	8,999,856
Short-Term Investments	14,304,319	-	-	14,304,319
	\$76,055,229	\$8,999,856	\$ -	\$85,055,085
Liabilities:				
Written Options	\$1,791,632	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,791,632
	\$1,791,632	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,791,632

Please see Portfolio of Investments of common stock sector breakdown and listing of all securities within each caption.

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Derivatives: The FASB issued guidance intended to enhance financial statement disclosure for derivative instruments and hedging activities and enable investors to understand: a) how and why a Fund used derivative investments, b) how derivative instruments and related hedge fund items are accounted for, and c) how derivative instruments and related hedge fund items affect a Fund’s financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

The following table presents the types of derivatives in the Fund and their effect:

	Asset Derivatives		Liability Derivatives
Derivatives not accounted for as hedging instruments	Fair Value	Derivatives not accounted for as hedging instruments	Fair Value
Equity contracts	\$-	Options Written	\$1,791,632

New Accounting Pronouncement: In December 2011, the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2011-11 “Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities.” These common disclosure requirements are intended to help investors and other financial statement users to better assess the effect or potential effect of offsetting arrangements on a portfolio’s financial position. They also improve transparency in the reporting of how companies mitigate credit risk, including disclosure of related collateral pledged or received. In addition, ASU 2011-11 facilitates comparison between those entities that prepare their financial statements on the basis of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the United States (U.S. GAAP) and those entities that prepare their financial statements on the basis of International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS). ASU 2011-11 requires entities to disclose both gross and net information about both instruments and transactions eligible for offset in the financial position; and disclose instruments and transactions subject to an agreement similar to a master netting agreement. In January 2013, FASB issued ASU 2013-01 entitled Balance Sheet (Topic 210) – Clarifying the Scope of Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities which is intended to clarify the scope of ASU 2011-11, Balance Sheet (Topic 210) – Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities. ASU 2013-01 limits the scope of ASU 2011-11’s disclosure requirements on offsetting to financial assets and financial liabilities related to derivatives repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, and securities lending and securities borrowing transactions. ASU 2011-11 and ASU 2013-01 are effective for fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2013, and interim periods within those annual periods. Management has evaluated the implications of ASU 2011-11 and ASU 2013-01 and its impact on financial statements disclosures and adopted the disclosures required by these updates.

In June 2013, FASB issued an update (“ASU 2013-08”) to ASC Topic 946, Financial Services — Investment Companies (“Topic 946”). ASU 2013-08 amends the guidance in Topic 946 for determining whether an entity qualifies as an investment company and requires certain additional disclosures. ASU 2013-08 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods in fiscal years that begin after December 15, 2013. At this time, management is evaluating the implications of ASU 2013-08 and its impact to financial statements.

3. Discussion of Risks: While investments in stocks and bonds have been keystones in wealth building and management for a hundred years, at times these investments have produced surprises for even the savviest investors. Those who enjoyed growth and income of their investments were rewarded for the risks they took by investing in the markets. When the rare calamity strikes, the word “security” itself seems a misnomer. Although the Investment Adviser seeks to appropriately address and manage the risks identified and disclosed to you in connection with the management of the securities in the Fund, you should understand that the very nature of the securities markets includes the possibility that there may be additional risks of which we are not aware. We certainly seek to identify all applicable risks and then appropriately address them, take appropriate action to reasonably manage them and, of course, to make you aware of them so you can determine if they exceed your risk tolerance. Nevertheless, the often volatile nature of the securities markets and the global economy in which we work suggests that the risk of the unknown is something you must consider in connection with your investments in securities. Unforeseen events have the potential to upset the best laid plans, and could, under certain circumstances produce the material loss of the value of some or all of the securities we manage for you in the Fund.

Please see the Fund's original prospectus for a discussion of risks associated with investing in the Fund.

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Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

(a) The registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer determined that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act")) are effective, based on their evaluation of these controls and procedures within 90 days of the date of this report based on the evaluation of these controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the Act. There were no significant changes in the Trust's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation. The officers identified no significant deficiencies or material weaknesses.

(b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the Act) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

Certifications of principal executive and principal financial officers as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the Act.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Madison Strategic Sector Premium Fund

By: (signature)

W. Richard Mason, CCO

Date: November 4, 2013

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this Report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: (signature)

Katherine L. Frank, Principal Executive Officer

Date: November 4, 2013

By: (signature)

Greg Hoppe, Principal Financial Officer

Date: November 4, 2013

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