The accompanying financial statements have been prepared by RBC Global Asset Management Inc. ("RBC GAM") as manager of the RBC GAM Investment Funds (the "Funds") and approved by the Board of Directors of RBC GAM. We are responsible for the information contained within the financial statements.

We have maintained appropriate procedures and controls to ensure that timely and reliable financial information is produced. The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with IFRS Accounting Standards (and they include certain amounts that are based on estimates and judgments). The material accounting policies, which we believe are appropriate for the Funds, are described in Note 3 to the financial statements.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants, have performed an independent audit of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standards. Their report is set out on the next page.

Damon G. Williams, FSA, FCIA, CFA

Chief Executive Officer

RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Heidi Johnston, CPA, CA

Chief Financial Officer RBC GAM Funds

March 10, 2025

#### To the Unitholders and Trustee of

#### **RBC FUNDS**

RBC Canadian T-Bill Fund

**RBC Canadian Money Market Fund** 

RBC Premium Money Market Fund

RBC \$U.S. Money Market Fund

RBC Premium \$U.S. Money Market Fund

RBC Canadian Short-Term Income Fund

RBC \$U.S. Short-Term Government Bond Fund

RBC \$U.S. Short-Term Corporate Bond Fund **RBC Short-Term Global Bond Fund** 

RBC Vision Fossil Fuel Free Short-Term Bond Fund

**RBC Monthly Income Bond Fund** 

**RBC Canadian Bond Index ETF Fund** 

**RBC Canadian Government Bond Index Fund** 

**RBC Bond Fund** 

**RBC Vision Bond Fund** 

RBC Vision Fossil Fuel Free Bond Fund

**RBC Global Bond Fund** 

RBC \$U.S. Global Bond Fund

**RBC Global Bond Index ETF Fund** 

RBC Canadian Corporate Bond Fund

RBC \$U.S. Investment Grade Corporate Bond Fund

**RBC Global Corporate Bond Fund** 

RBC High Yield Bond Fund

RBC \$U.S. High Yield Bond Fund

RBC Global High Yield Bond Fund

**RBC Strategic Income Bond Fund** 

RBC \$U.S. Strategic Income Bond Fund

RBC Emerging Markets Foreign Exchange Fund

**RBC Emerging Markets Bond Fund** 

RBC Emerging Markets Bond Fund (CAD Hedged) BlueBay Global Monthly Income Bond Fund

BlueBay Global Sovereign Bond Fund (Canada) BlueBay Global Investment Grade Corporate

Bond Fund (Canada)

BlueBay \$U.S. Global Investment Grade Corporate

Bond Fund (Canada)

BlueBay European High Yield Bond Fund (Canada) BlueBay Global High Yield Bond Fund (Canada)

BlueBay \$U.S. Global High Yield Bond Fund (Canada)

BlueBay Emerging Markets Bond Fund (Canada)

BlueBay Emerging Markets Local Currency

Bond Fund (Canada)

BlueBay Emerging Markets Corporate Bond Fund BlueBay Emerging Markets High Yield Corporate

Bond Fund (Canada)

BlueBay Global Convertible Bond Fund (Canada)

RBC Conservative Bond Pool

**RBC Core Bond Pool** 

RBC \$U.S. Core Bond Pool

**RBC Core Plus Bond Pool** 

RBC \$U.S. Core Plus Bond Pool

**RBC Managed Payout Solution** 

RBC Managed Payout Solution - Enhanced

RBC Managed Payout Solution - Enhanced Plus

**RBC Monthly Income Fund** 

RBC U.S. Monthly Income Fund

**RBC** Balanced Fund

**RBC Global Balanced Fund** 

**RBC** Vision Balanced Fund

**RBC** Vision Fossil Fuel Free Balanced Fund

RBC Emerging Markets Balanced Fund

RBC Conservative Growth & Income Fund

RBC Balanced Growth & Income Fund

RBC Global Growth & Income Fund

**RBC Select Very Conservative Portfolio** RBC Select Conservative Portfolio

**RBC Select Balanced Portfolio** 

**RBC Select Growth Portfolio** 

RBC Select Aggressive Growth Portfolio

**RBC Select Choices Conservative Portfolio** 

RBC Select Choices Balanced Portfolio

RBC Select Choices Growth Portfolio

**RBC Select Choices Aggressive Growth Portfolio** 

**RBC Global Very Conservative Portfolio** 

**RBC Global Conservative Portfolio** 

**RBC Global Balanced Portfolio** 

RBC \$U.S. Global Balanced Portfolio

**RBC Global Growth Portfolio** 

RBC Global All-Equity Portfolio

**RBC Global Choices Very Conservative Portfolio** 

**RBC Global Choices Conservative Portfolio** 

**RBC Global Choices Balanced Portfolio** 

**RBC Global Choices Growth Portfolio** 

RBC Global Choices All-Equity Portfolio

RBC Retirement Income Solution

**RBC** Retirement 2020 Portfolio

**RBC Retirement 2025 Portfolio** 

RBC Retirement 2030 Portfolio

**RBC** Retirement 2035 Portfolio RBC Retirement 2040 Portfolio

RBC Retirement 2045 Portfolio

RBC Retirement 2050 Portfolio

**RBC** Retirement 2055 Portfolio

RBC Retirement 2060 Portfolio

**RBC Target 2025 Education Fund** 

RBC Target 2030 Education Fund

RBC Target 2035 Education Fund

**RBC Target 2040 Education Fund** 

**RBC Canadian Dividend Fund** 

RBC Canadian Equity Fund

**RBC** Vision Canadian Equity Fund

RBC QUBE Canadian Equity Fund

RBC QUBE Low Volatility Canadian Equity Fund RBC Vision QUBE Fossil Fuel Free Low Volatility

Canadian Equity Fund

RBC Trend Canadian Equity Fund

RBC Canadian Equity Index ETF Fund

**RBC** Canadian Index Fund

RBC O'Shaughnessy Canadian Equity Fund

RBC O'Shaughnessy All-Canadian Equity Fund

RBC Canadian Equity Income Fund RBC Canadian Mid-Cap Equity Fund

RBC Canadian Small & Mid-Cap Resources Fund

RBC North American Value Fund

**RBC North American Growth Fund** 

RBC U.S. Dividend Fund

RBC U.S. Dividend Currency Neutral Fund

RBC U.S. Equity Fund

RBC U.S. Equity Currency Neutral Fund

RBC QUBE U.S. Equity Fund

RBC QUBE Low Volatility U.S. Equity Fund

RBC QUBE Low Volatility U.S. Equity

**Currency Neutral Fund** 

RBC U.S. Equity Value Fund

RBC U.S. Equity Index ETF Fund RBC U.S. Equity Currency Neutral Index ETF Fund

RBC U.S. Index Fund

RBC O'Shaughnessy U.S. Value Fund (Unhedged)

RBC O'Shaughnessy U.S. Value Fund RBC U.S. Mid-Cap Growth Equity Fund

RBC U.S. Mid-Cap Growth Equity Currency Neutral Fund

RBC U.S. Mid-Cap Value Equity Fund

RBC U.S. Small-Cap Core Equity Fund

RBC U.S. Small-Cap Value Equity Fund

RBC O'Shaughnessy U.S. Growth Fund RBC O'Shaughnessy U.S. Growth Fund II

RBC Life Science and Technology Fund

**RBC** International Dividend Growth Fund **RBC International Equity Fund** 

**RBC International Equity Currency Neutral Fund** 

**RBC International Equity Currency Neutral** 

Index ETF Fund

RBC O'Shaughnessy International Equity Fund

**RBC** European Equity Fund

RBC European Mid-Cap Equity Fund

RBC Asian Equity Fund

RBC Asia Pacific ex-Japan Equity Fund

RBC China Equity Fund

**RBC Japanese Equity Fund** 

RBC Emerging Markets Multi-Strategy Equity Fund

**RBC Emerging Markets Dividend Fund** 

RBC Emerging Markets ex-China Dividend Fund

**RBC** Emerging Markets Equity Fund

RBC Emerging Markets ex-China Equity Fund

RBC Emerging Markets Equity Focus Fund

RBC Vision Fossil Fuel Free Emerging Markets Equity Fund

RBC QUBE Low Volatility Emerging Markets Equity Fund

**RBC Emerging Markets Equity Index ETF Fund** 

RBC Emerging Markets Small-Cap Equity Fund

RBC Global Dividend Growth Fund RBC Global Dividend Growth Currency Neutral Fund

**RBC Global Equity Fund** 

**RBC Vision Global Equity Fund** 

RBC Vision Fossil Fuel Free Global Equity Fund

**RBC Global Equity Focus Fund** 

**RBC Global Equity Focus Currency Neutral Fund** 

RBC Global Equity Leaders Fund RBC Global Equity Leaders Currency Neutral Fund

RBC QUBE Global Equity Fund

RBC QUBE Low Volatility Global Equity Fund

RBC QUBE Low Volatility Global Equity

**Currency Neutral Fund** 

RBC Global Equity Index ETF Fund

RBC O'Shaughnessy Global Equity Fund

RBC QUBE Low Volatility All Country World Equity Fund **RBC Global Energy Fund** 

RBC Global Precious Metals Fund **RBC Global Resources Fund** 

RBC Global Technology Fund

**RBC PRIVATE POOLS** RBC Private Short-Term Income Pool

**RBC Private Income Pool** 

**RBC Private Canadian Dividend Pool** RBC Private Fundamental Canadian Equity Pool

**RBC** Private Canadian Equity Pool

RBC Private U.S. Large-Cap Value Equity Pool RBC Private U.S. Large-Cap Value Equity Currency

Neutral Pool

RBC Private U.S. Growth Equity Pool RBC Private U.S. Large-Cap Core Equity Pool

RBC Private U.S. Large-Cap Core Equity Currency

Neutral Pool RBC Private U.S. Small-Cap Equity Pool

RBC Private EAFE Equity Pool

**RBC Private Overseas Equity Pool** RBC Private Global Growth Equity Pool **RBC Private World Equity Pool** 

## RBC ALTERNATIVE FUNDS

BlueBay Global Alternative Bond Fund (Canada) RBC QUBE Market Neutral World Equity Fund RBC QUBE Market Neutral World Equity Fund

## (CAD Hedged) **PH&N FUNDS**

Phillips, Hager & North Canadian Money Market Fund Phillips, Hager & North \$U.S. Money Market Fund

Phillips, Hager & North Short Term Bond & Mortgage Fund Phillips, Hager & North Bond Fund

Phillips, Hager & North Total Return Bond Fund

#### PH&N FUNDS (cont.)

Phillips, Hager & North High Yield Bond Fund
Phillips, Hager & North Monthly Income Fund
Phillips, Hager & North Balanced Fund
Phillips, Hager & North Dividend Income Fund
Phillips, Hager & North Canadian Equity Fund
Phillips, Hager & North Canadian Equity Value Fund
Phillips, Hager & North Canadian Equity Underlying Fund
Phillips, Hager & North Canadian Equity Underlying Fund
Phillips, Hager & North Canadian Equity
Underlying Fund II
Phillips, Hager & North Canadian Income Fund

Phillips, Hager & North U.S. Dividend Income Fund Phillips, Hager & North U.S. Multi-Style All-Cap Equity Fund Phillips, Hager & North U.S. Equity Fund Phillips, Hager & North Currency-Hedged U.S. Equity Fund Phillips, Hager & North U.S. Growth Fund Phillips, Hager & North Overseas Equity Fund Phillips, Hager & North Currency-Hedged Overseas Equity Fund Phillips, Hager & North Global Equity Fund Phillips, Hager & North Global Equity Fund

Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2015 Fund

Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2020 Fund

Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2025 Fund

Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2030 Fund

Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2035 Fund
Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2040 Fund
Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2045 Fund
Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2055 Fund
Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2055 Fund
Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2060 Fund
Phillips, Hager & North LifeTime 2065 Fund
Phillips, Hager & North Conservative Pension Trust
Phillips, Hager & North Balanced Pension Trust
Phillips, Hager & North Growth Pension Trust
Phillips, Hager & North Canadian Equity Pension Trust
Phillips, Hager & North Canadian Equity
Plus Pension Trust
(individually, a Fund)

#### Our opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying December 31, 2024 financial statements of each Fund present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of each Fund, its financial performance and its cash flows as at and for the periods indicated in note 2 in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards.

#### What we have audited

Phillips, Hager & North Small Float Fund

The financial statements of each Fund comprise:

- the statements of financial position as at the period-end dates indicated in note 2;
- the statements of comprehensive income for the periods indicated in note 2;
- the statements of cash flow for the periods indicated in note 2;
- the statements of changes in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units (NAV) for the periods indicated in note 2; and
- the notes to the financial statements, comprising material accounting policy information and other explanatory information.

## **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Independence

We are independent of each Fund in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

#### Other information

Management is responsible for the other information of each Fund. The other information comprises the 2024 Annual Management Report of Fund Performance of each Fund.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements of each Fund, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements of each Fund or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements of each Fund in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the ability of each Fund to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate any Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the financial reporting process of each Fund.

### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole for each Fund are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements of each Fund.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements of each Fund, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control of each Fund.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of each Fund to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements of each Fund or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause any Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements of each Fund, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Christopher Pitts.

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP

Toronto, Ontario March 10, 2025



## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO (in \$000s)

## **RBC O'SHAUGHNESSY GLOBAL EQUITY FUND**

	Holdings	Cost (\$)	Fair Value (\$)	% of Net Assets
GLOBAL EQUITIES				
Australia				
Aristocrat Leisure Ltd.	647	31	39	
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	1,134	130	154	
Fortescue Ltd.	1,666	31	27	
National Australia Bank Ltd.	2,260	74	74	
Qantas Airways Ltd.	48,494	284	386	
QBE Insurance Group Ltd.	2,035	24	35	
Westpac Banking Corp.	2,331	56	67	
Woodside Energy Group Ltd.	1,295	41	29	
	.,=	671	811	1.2
Austria	-	0/1	011	1.2
	V 363	289	388	
Erste Group Bank AG	4,363			
	_	289	388	0.6
Belgium				
UCB S.A.	134	32	38	
	_	32	38	0.1
Brazil				
Petroleo Brasileiro S.A				
Preferred Shares	6,614	49	56	
Vale S.A.	2,813	41	36	
		90	92	0.1
Canada	-			
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.	2,056	238	231	
Bank of Nova Scotia	874	63	67	
Brookfield Asset Management Ltd				
Class A	423	34	33	
Brookfield Corp.	878	63	73	
Canadian Imperial Bank of Comme		44	57	
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	17,736	565	787	
Cenovus Energy Inc.	5,430	146	118	
Constellation Software Inc.	13	51	58	
Constellation Software Inc. @0.00	10	31	30	
Mar 31, 2040 - Equity Warrant	12			
Enbridge Inc.	1,449	- 79	88	
Fairfax Financial Holdings Ltd.	28	26	56	
Intact Financial Corp.	129	31	34	
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Kinross Gold Corp.	84,104 4,495	982 144	1,123 198	
Manulife Financial Corp.  National Bank of Canada	•			
	294	37	39	
Pembina Pipeline Corp.	626	32	33	
Royal Bank of Canada*	950	135	165	
Shopify Inc.	746	118	114	
Sun Life Financial Inc.	407	35	35	
Suncor Energy Inc.	1,115	27	57	
TC Energy Corp.	711	38	48	
Toronto-Dominion Bank	1,225	99	94	
	-	2,987	3,508	5.2

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 China	Holdings	Cost (\$)	Value (\$)	Assets
<b>China</b> Alibaba Group Holding Ltd. Class W	0.700	124	148	
Aluminum Corp. of China Ltd.	9,700	124	140	
Class H	388,000	259	320	
China Construction Bank Corp.	300,000	233	320	
Class H	68,000	61	81	
China Feihe Ltd.	107,000	108	107	
COSCO SHIPPING Holdings Co. Ltd.		100	107	
Class H	145,000	327	341	
JD.com Inc.	1,650	30	41	
KE Holdings Inc ADR	26,762	751	709	
Kingdee International Software	20,702		, , ,	
Group Co. Ltd.	51,000	82	80	
Longfor Group Holdings Ltd.	75,500	174	138	
Meituan Class W	17,500	532	489	
PDD Holdings Inc ADR	367	52	51	
Ping An Insurance Group Co. of	00.		٠.	
China Ltd ADR	3,151	35	53	
Tencent Holdings Ltd.	4,000	313	307	
Tonoone Holamgo Lea.	.,000	2,848	2,865	4.:
Denmark	-	2,040	2,003	7.0
DSV A/S	131	40	40	
Novo Nordisk A/S Class B	649	55	80	
Pandora A/S	149	27	39	
		122	159	0.3
Finland	-	122	133	0.2
Fortum Oyj	3,051	64	61	
Nordea Bank	2,251	38	35	
Troided Balik	2,201	102	96	0.
France	-	102	30	<u> </u>
AXA S.A.	8,713	340	446	
BNP Paribas S.A.	907	46	80	
Cie de Saint-Gobain S.A.	333	26	43	
Cie Generale des Etablissements	333	20	40	
Michelin S.C.A.	630	27	30	
Credit Agricole S.A.	1,667	26	33	
Engie S.A.	1,599	32	36	
Orange S.A.	2,048	31	29	
Safran S.A.	1,338	261	421	
Schneider Electric SE	347	110	124	
TotalEnergies SE	1,572	93	124	
Vinci S.A.	390	59	58	
VIIICI S.A.	330			
Commonii	-	1,051	1,426	2.
Germany Allianz SE	1 220	497	E00	
Allianz SE	1,320	437	583	
BASF SE	540	35	34	
Bayerische Motoren Werke AG	268	35	32 47	
Deutsche Bank AG Deutsche Post AG	1,912	34	47	
	637	37	32	
Deutsche Telekom AG	2,279	90	98	
Fresenius SE & Co. KGaA	637	33 1 125	32	
Heidelberg Materials AG	10,432	1,125	1,853	
Mercedes-Benz Group AG	555	58	44	



ı	Holdings	Cost (\$)	Fair Value (\$)	% of Net
Germany (cont.)				
Rheinmetall AG	48	30	44	
RWE AG	714	33	31	
SAP SE	644	95	228	
Volkswagen AG - Preferred Shares	176	26	23	
Zalando SE	22,841	760	1,098	
		2,828	4,179	6.2
Greece				
National Bank of Greece S.A.	30,375	195	346	
		195	346	0.5
Hungary				
MOL Hungarian Oil & Gas Plc ADR	61,995	318	318	
		318	318	0.5
India				
Infosys Ltd ADR	6,748	133	213	
		133	213	0.3
Italy				
Enel S.p.A.	68,084	665	698	
Eni S.p.A.	2,227	23	44	
Generali	810	22	33	
Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A.	25,657	95	148	
Prysmian S.p.A.	328	32	30	
Stellantis N.V.	1,479	38	28	
UniCredit S.p.A.	2,947	144	170	
Japan		1,019	1,151	1.7
Asics Corp.	4,100	83	115	
Bridgestone Corp.	400	22	19	
Brother Industries Ltd.	7,400	173	180	
Dai-ichi Life Holdings Inc.	19,400	694	743	
Fujitsu Ltd.	6,500	181	164	
GMO Payment Gateway Inc.	40	7	3	
Hitachi Ltd.	4,300	111	151	
Honda Motor Co. Ltd.	3,900	47	53	
Hoya Corp.	500	82	89	
Japan Post Holdings Co. Ltd.	2,600	27	35	
Mitsubishi Corp.	2,400	61	56	
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc.	7,000	39	117	
MS&AD Insurance Group				
Holdings Inc.	1,800	28	56	
Nippon Steel Corp.	1,100	25	32	
Olympus Corp.	1,300	31	28	
Otsuka Holdings Co. Ltd.	400	28	31	
Panasonic Holdings Corp.	2,700	32	40	
Recruit Holdings Co. Ltd.	900	49	90	
Resona Holdings Inc.	36,300	311	376	
Shimano Inc.	55 7 200	16	11	
Shionogi & Co. Ltd.	7,200	144	145	
SMC Corp. Sompo Holdings Inc.	47 ann	39 25	26 34	
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group Inc	900	25 41	93	
Tokyo Electron Ltd.	. 2,700 300	41 77	93 65	
TOPPAN Holdings Inc.	3,200	112	122	
TOT I AIN HORININGS IIIC.	5,200	2,485	2,874	4.3
		2,400	2,014	7.3

	Holdings	Cost (\$)	Fair Value (\$)	% of Net Assets
Netherlands				
ASM International N.V.	31	32	26	
ING Groep N.V.	2,697	52	61	
Koninklijke Ahold Delhaize N.V.	608	27	29	
Prosus N.V.	958	46	55	
N	-	157	171	0.3
Norway Equinor ASA	861	28	29	
<u> </u>		28	29	_
Poland				
Alior Bank S.A.	1,030	33	31	
Bank Polska Kasa Opieki S.A.	3,859	225	185	
KGHM Polska Miedz S.A.	1,845	93	74	
LPP S.A.	70	386	379	
Powszechna Kasa Oszczednosci Bank Polski S.A.	23,128	447	481	
Dulik Folski C.A.	20,120	1,184	1,150	1.7
Russia	-		-	
GMK Norilskiy Nickel PAO	5,300	21	_	
Singapore	-	21	_	
DBS Group Holdings Ltd.	1,100	39	51	
Oversea-Chinese Banking Corp. Ltd	. 3,200	51	56	
Sea Ltd ADR	240	33	37	
Singapore Telecommunications Ltd.	9,900	32	32	
United Overseas Bank Ltd.	1,000	38	38	
0 4 44	-	193	214	0.3
South Africa Naspers Ltd. Class N	137	31	44	
		31	44	0.1
Spain	-			
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria S.	A. 4,037	41	57	
Banco de Sabadell S.A.	85,766	232	240	
Banco Santander S.A.	12,217	53	81	
CaixaBank S.A.	18,312	101	143	
Industria de Diseno Textil S.A.	10,103	338	744	
Sweden	-	765	1,265	1.9
AddTech AB Class B	3,380	137	132	
Atlas Copco AB Class A	2,759	55	61	
Sandvik AB	958	26	25	
Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB				
Class A	1,531	26	30	
Spotify Technology S.A.	99	66	64	
Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson Class B	3 430	າາ	40	
Volvo AB Class B	3,429 1,182	32 37	40 41	
		379	393	0.6
Switzerland				
ABB Ltd.	1,166	46	91	
Novartis AG	1,533	172	215	
Roche Holding AG	457	203	184	
Zurich Insurance Group AG	97	70	83	
	-	491	573	0.8



	Holdings	Cost (\$)	Fair Value (\$)	% of Net Assets
Taiwan				
Taiwan Semiconductor				
Manufacturing Co. Ltd ADR	2,916	468	828	
		468	828	1.2
United Kingdom	-			
Barclays Plc.	13,735	25	66	
BP Plc.	13,929	87	99	
British American Tobacco Plc.	1,450	73	75	
Compass Group Plc.	957	46	46	
Hargreaves Lansdown Plc.	4,381	58	86	
HSBC Holdings Plc.	13,076	137	185	
Imperial Brands Plc.	867	27	40	
London Stock Exchange Group Plc.	297	58	60	
NatWest Group Plc.	7,019	30	51	
Rolls-Royce Holdings Plc.	12,184	70	124	
Shell Plc.	4,085	141	183	
Standard Chartered Plc.	2,554	30	45	
Tesco Plc.	4,666	31	31	
Vodafone Group Plc.	19,076	29	23	
	-	842	1,114	1.7
United States	004	01	00	
3M Co.	334	61	62	
AbbVie Inc.	1,109	269	283	
Accenture Plc. Class A	205	71	104	
Aflac Inc.	286	14	43	
Agilent Technologies Inc.	221	46	43	
Allstate Corp.	173	41	48	
Alphabet Inc. Class A Altria Group Inc.	8,377	1,334 498	2,279 675	
Amazon.com Inc.	8,975 1 722	308	546	
Ameren Corp.	1,732 273	32	35	
American Express Co.	376	32 87	160	
American International Group Inc.	615	46	64	
American Tower Corp.	1,419	460	374	
Ameriprise Financial Inc.	64	38	49	
Amphenol Corp. Class A	758	46	76	
Aon Pic. Class A	118	61	61	
Apollo Global Management Inc.	260	64	62	
Apple Inc.	10,281	2,019	3,701	
Applied Materials Inc.	584	164	137	
AppLovin Corp. Class A	183	15	85	
Archer-Daniels-Midland Co.	399	32	29	
Arista Networks Inc.	648	37	103	
Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.	137	54	56	
AT&T Inc.	4,565	106	149	
Atmos Energy Corp.	167	30	33	
Automatic Data Processing Inc.	242	96	102	
AvalonBay Communities Inc.	100	31	32	
Axon Enterprise Inc.	44	40	38	
Baker Hughes Co.	675	42	40	
Bank of America Corp.	4,450	199	281	
Bank of New York Mellon Corp.	580	43	64	
Berkshire Hathaway Inc. Class B	832	360	542	
Best Buy Co. Inc.	461	49	57	
BlackRock, Inc.	88	93	130	
Blackstone Inc.	453	106	112	
Booking Holdings Inc.	92	315	657	
Boston Scientific Corp.	1,037	65	133	
Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.	1,325	94	108	
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Н	loldings	Cost (\$)	Fair Value (\$)	% of Net Assets
United States (cont.)				
Broadcom Inc.	1,918	184	639	
Brown & Brown Inc.	262	31	38	
Capital One Financial Corp.	256	33	66	
Carlisle Companies Inc.	57	30	30	
Carnival Corp.	10,268	376	368	
Carrier Global Corp.	508	55	50	
Carvana Co.	95	34	28	
Caterpillar Inc.	1,810	610	944	
CBRE Group Inc. Class A	1,880	285	355	
Charter Communications Inc. Class A	79	30	39	
Cheniere Energy Inc.	154	48	48	
Chevron Corp.	1,079	247	225	
Chipotle Mexican Grill Inc.	900	66	78	
Chubb Ltd.	246	95	98	
Cincinnati Financial Corp.	168	30	35	
Cintas Corp.	236	41	62	
Cisco Systems Inc.	2,479	207	211	
Citigroup Inc.	1,343	122	136	
Citizens Financial Group Inc.	532	32	33	
Coinbase Global Inc. Class A	119	50	42	
Colgate-Palmolive Co.	514	62	67	
Comcast Corp. Class A	2,548	145	137	
Copart Inc.	549	43	45	
Corning Inc. Costco Wholesale Corp.	536 284	29 222	37	
CRH Plc.	428	42	374 57	
Cummins Inc.	420 81	32	41	
CVS Health Corp.	840	78	54	
Deckers Outdoor Corp.	3,545	516	1,035	
Dell Technologies Inc. Class C	1,377	216	228	
Delta Air Lines Inc.	1,629	91	142	
Devon Energy Corp.	610	42	29	
Digital Realty Trust Inc.	203	52	52	
Discover Financial Services	225	33	56	
DocuSign Inc.	6,160	689	796	
DoorDash Inc. Class A	190	47	46	
Dover Corp.	127	32	34	
Duke Energy Corp.	481	76	74	
DuPont de Nemours Inc.	467	46	51	
Eaton Corp. Plc.	305	43	145	
eBay Inc.	371	30	33	
Ecolab Inc.	145	39	49	
Eli Lilly & Co.	134	165	149	
EMCOR Group Inc.	48	34	31	
Entergy Corp.	370	30	40	
Essex Property Trust Inc.	80	32	33	
Expedia Group Inc.	151	33	40	
Fair Isaac Corp.	18	15	52	
FedEx Corp.	151	54	61	
Ferguson Enterprises Inc.	124	37	31	
Fidelity National Information	400	41	47	
Services Inc.	406	41	47	
Fiserv Inc. Ford Motor Co.	965	146	285	
Garmin Ltd.	2,492	38 27	35 48	
Garmin Ltd. General Electric Co.	163 690	95	48 165	
General Mills Inc.	389	37	36	
General Motors Co.	918	72	70	
General Wictors CO.	310	12	70	



	Holdings	Cost (\$)	Fair Value (\$)	% of Net Assets		Holdings	Cost (\$)	Fair Value (\$)	% of Net Assets
United States (cont.)					United States (cont.)				
Gilead Sciences Inc.	744	98	99		Parker-Hannifin Corp.	1,122	682	1,026	
GoDaddy Inc. Class A	164	32	47		Philip Morris International Inc.	1,379	223	239	
Goldman Sachs Group Inc.	244	126	201		Phillips 66	339	38	56	
Hartford Financial Services Group In	c. 247	22	39		PNC Financial Services Group Inc.	254	64	70	
HCA Healthcare Inc.	869	321	375		PPL Corp.	721	32	34	
HEICO Corp.	96	32	33		Principal Financial Group Inc.	281	32	31	
Hewlett Packard Enterprise Co.	966	19	30		Progressive Corp.	367	124	126	
Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc.	171	39	61		Prudential Financial Inc.	272	37	46	
Home Depot Inc.	609	272	341		Public Service Enterprise Group Inc.	379	38	46	
Howmet Aerospace Inc.	325	21	51		Public Storage	103	50	44	
HP Inc.	4,468	197	210		PulteGroup Inc.	3,958	422	620	
Huntington Bancshares Inc.	1,361	34	32		QUALCOMM Inc.	655	163	145	
IDEXX Laboratories Inc.	53	35	31		Quanta Services Inc.	95	34	43	
Intel Corp.	1,962	116	57		Raymond James Financial Inc.	161	33	36	
Intercontinental Exchange Inc.	348	73	75		Regeneron Pharmaceuticals Inc.	67	97	69	
International Business Machines Co	rp. 591	93	187		Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.	159	46	53	
Intuit Inc.	179	126	162		RTX Corp.	937	114	156	
Intuitive Surgical Inc.	228	100	171		S&P Global Inc.	199	137	142	
Iron Mountain Inc.	259	32	39		Salesforce Inc.	603	233	290	
J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.	2,535	476	873		Seagate Technology Holdings Plc.	238	28	30	
Johnson & Johnson	1,544	319	321		Sempra	357	47	45	
Kinder Morgan Inc.	1,562	42	62		Sherwin-Williams Co.	154	76	75	
KKR & Co. Inc.	366	40	78		Simon Property Group Inc.	216	41	53	
KLA Corp.	82	42	74		Southern Co.	695	80	82	
L3Harris Technologies Inc.	120	41	36		State Street Corp.	357	43	50	
Leidos Holdings Inc.	149	32	31		Steel Dynamics Inc.	685	109	112	
Lennar Corp. Class A	692	87	136		Stryker Corp.	211	89	109	
Live Nation Entertainment Inc.	176	34	33		Synchrony Financial	4,581	288	428	
Lockheed Martin Corp.	55	34	38		Targa Resources Corp.	203	31	52	
Lowe's Companies Inc.	575	118	204		TE Connectivity Plc.	681	131	140	
Marathon Petroleum Corp.	230	22	46		Tesla Inc.	586	289	340	
Marriott International Inc. Class A	738	205	296		Texas Instruments Inc.	570	161	154	
Marvell Technology Inc.	519	71	82		Texas Pacific Land Corp.	22	33	35	
Mastercard Inc. Class A	190	105	144		TJX Companies Inc.	839	91	146	
Medtronic Plc.	1,639	200	188		T-Mobile U.S. Inc.	329	88	104	
Meta Platforms Inc. Class A	1,610	664	1,355		Trane Technologies Plc.	148	45	79	
MetLife Inc.	456	38	54		TransDigm Group Inc.	35	36	64	
Mettler-Toledo International Inc.	244	479	429		Tyler Technologies Inc.	40	32	33	
Microchip Technology Inc.	316	29	26		Uber Technologies Inc.	1,172	75	102	
Micron Technology Inc.	695	109	84		United Therapeutics Corp.	1,038	438	526	
Microsoft Corp.	3,861	1,588	2,339		Universal Health Services Inc.		===		
Monolithic Power Systems Inc.	29	32	25		Class B	2,305	709	594	
Moody's Corp.	102	64	69		Valero Energy Corp.	289	41	51	
Morgan Stanley	945	100	171		Ventas Inc.	345	31	29	
Motorola Solutions Inc.	94	54	62		Verisk Analytics Inc.	82	32	32	
Nasdaq Inc.	316	31	35		Vertiv Holdings Co. Class A	218	40	36	
NetApp Inc.	197	31	33		Viatris Inc.	3,020	49	54	
Netflix Inc.	679	315	870		Visa Inc. Class A	1,002	340	455	
NRG Energy Inc.	277	32	36		Vistra Corp.	223	10	44	
Nucor Corp.	159	34 721	27		Walt Dianay Co	3,192	221	414	
NVIDIA Corp.	15,181	721	2,930		Walt Disney Co.	1,168	191	186	
NVR Inc.	4 EC1	25	47		WEC Energy Group Inc.	243	34 167	32	
ONEOK Inc.	561	62	81		Wells Fargo & Co.	2,824	167	285	
Oracle Corp. Ovintiv Inc.	1,012	243	242 65		Welltower Inc. Westinghouse Air Brake	390	57	71	
Packaging Corp. of America	1,116 99	70 34	65 32		Technologies Corp.	160	20	44	
Packaging Corp. of America Palantir Technologies Inc. Class A	99 1,272	34 120	32 138		Weyerhaeuser Co.	163 586	28 29	44 24	
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	Holdings	Cost (\$)	Fair Value (\$)	% of Net Assets
United States (cont.)				
Williams Companies Inc.	805	60	63	
WW Grainger Inc.	30	52	45	
Xcel Energy Inc.	340	35	33	
Xylem Inc.	168	32	28	
		29,072	42,367	63.0
TOTAL GLOBAL EQUITIES	-	48,801	66,612	99.0
SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS <sup>†</sup>		717	717	1.1
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	-	49,518	67,329	100.1
OTHER NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES) ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDERS	•			
OF REDEEMABLE UNITS			(36)	(0.1)
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDERS OF REDEEMABLE UNITS			67,293	100.0

<sup>\*</sup> Investment in related party (see note 8 in the generic notes).

 $<sup>^\</sup>dagger$  Short-term investments, which may be made up of treasury bills, commercial paper, term deposits and discount notes, earn interest at a rate of 3.20% and mature on January 2, 2025.



### **Statements of Financial Position**

(in \$000s except per unit amounts) (see note 2 in the generic notes)

	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
ASSETS		
Investments at fair value	\$ 67,329	\$ 54,521
Cash	25	71
Subscriptions receivable	26	7
Dividends receivable, interest accrued		
and other assets	49	60
TOTAL ASSETS	67,429	54,659
LIABILITIES		
Redemptions payable	33	_
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	103	82
TOTAL LIABILITIES EXCLUDING NET ASSETS		
ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDERS OF		
REDEEMABLE UNITS	136	82
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDERS		
OF REDEEMABLE UNITS ("NAV")	\$ 67,293	\$ 54,577
Investments at cost	\$ 49,518	\$ 45,883
NAV		
SERIES A	\$ 41,668	\$ 34,644
SERIES D	\$ 45	\$ 33
SERIES F	\$ 25,360	\$ 19,766
SERIES O	\$ 220	\$ 134
NAV PER UNIT		
SERIES A	\$ 16.25	\$ 12.59
SERIES D	\$ 16.42	\$ 12.62
SERIES F	\$ 16.49	\$ 12.65
SERIES O	\$ 18.44	\$ 14.17

## **Statements of Comprehensive Income**

(in \$000s except per unit amounts)

For the periods ended December 31 (see note 2 in the generic notes)

INCOME (see note 3 in the generic notes)  Dividends \$ 1,282 \$ 1,83 Interest for distribution purposes 43 3 Income from investment trusts 15 2 Derivative income (loss) (1) ( Net realized gain (loss) on investments 6,636 2,16 Change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments and derivatives 9,173 4,12  TOTAL NET GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS AND DERIVATIVES 17,148 8,17 Securities lending revenue (see note 7 in the generic notes) 7 Net gain (loss) on foreign cash balances (18) (3 TOTAL OTHER INCOME (LOSS) (11) (2
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<b>TOTAL INCOME (LOSS)</b> 17,137 8,14
EXPENSES (see notes – Fund Specific Information)
Management fees 919 78
Administration fees 91 7
Independent Review Committee costs 2
GST/HST 98 8
Transaction costs 44 5
Withholding tax 171 18
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> 1,325 1,19
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NAV
FROM OPERATIONS \$ 15,812 \$ 6,95
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NAV
FROM OPERATIONS
SERIES A \$ 9,814 \$ 4,30
SERIES D \$ 10 \$
<b>SERIES F \$ 5,908</b> \$ 2,63
<b>SERIES 0</b> \$ 80 \$ 1
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NAV PER UNIT
SERIES A \$ 3.70 \$ 1.5
SERIES D \$ 3.69 \$ 1.5
SERIES F \$ 3.84 \$ 1.6
<b>SERIES 0 \$ 5.40</b> \$ 2.5





Statements of Cash Flow (in \$000s)

For the periods ended December 31 (see note 2 in the generic notes)

	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Increase (decrease) in NAV		
from operations	\$ 15,812	\$ 6,955
ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE NET CASH		
PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATIONS		
Net realized loss (gain) on investments	(6,636)	(2,166)
Change in unrealized loss (gain) on investments		
and derivatives	(9,173)	(4,121)
(Increase) decrease in accrued receivables	11	8
Increase (decrease) in accrued payables	21	(1)
(Increase) decrease in margin accounts	_	_
Amortization of premium and discounts	_	_
Non-cash dividends	_	(392)
Non-cash distributions from underlying funds	_	_
Cost of investments purchased*	(264,049)	(203,951)
Proceeds from sale and maturity of investments*	267,050	208,373
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN)		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	3,036	4,705
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from issue of redeemable units*	5,044	1,396
Cash paid on redemption of redeemable units*	(8,118)	(6,216)
Distributions paid to holders of redeemable units	(8)	(56)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN)		
FINANCING ACTIVITIES	\$ (3,082)	\$ (4,876)
Net increase (decrease) in cash for the period	(46)	(171)
Cash (bank overdraft), beginning of period	71	242
CASH (BANK OVERDRAFT), END OF PERIOD	\$ 25	\$ 71
Interest received (paid) <sup>†</sup>	\$ 43	\$ 33
Income from investment trusts received (paid) <sup>†‡</sup>	\$ 9	\$ 22
Dividends received (paid) <sup>T‡</sup>	\$ 1,127	\$ 1,267

<sup>\*</sup> Excludes in-kind transactions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Classified as part of operating activities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>‡</sup> Net of withholding taxes, if applicable.



Statements of Changes in NAV (in \$000s)

For the periods ended December 31 (see note 2 in the generic notes)

	Series A			Series D					s F			
		2024		2023		2024		2023		2024		2023
NAV AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	\$	34,644	\$	33,971	\$	33	\$	42	\$	19,766	\$	18,453
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NAV												
FROM OPERATIONS		9,814		4,301		10		6		5,908		2,634
Early redemption fees		_		_		_		-		_		_
Proceeds from redeemable units issued		2,790		920		22		_		3,112		926
Reinvestments of distributions to holders												
of redeemable units		_		349		_		1		41		373
Redemption of redeemable units		(5,580)		(4,542)		(20)		(15)		(3,421)		(2,201)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) FROM												
REDEEMABLE UNIT TRANSACTIONS		(2,790)		(3,273)		2		(14)		(268)		(902)
Distributions from net income		_		(355)		_		(1)		(46)		(419)
Distributions from net gains		_		_		_		_		_		_
Distributions from capital		_		_		_		_		_		_
TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS TO HOLDERS												
OF REDEEMABLE UNITS		_		(355)		_		(1)		(46)		(419)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NAV		7,024		673		12		(9)		5,594		1,313
NAV AT END OF PERIOD	\$	41,668	\$	34,644	\$	45	\$	33	\$	25,360	\$	19,766

			Series	0		Tot	al
		2024		2023	2024		2023
NAV AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	\$	134	\$	3	\$ 54,577	\$	52,469
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NAV							
FROM OPERATIONS		80		14	15,812		6,955
Early redemption fees		_		_	_		_
Proceeds from redeemable units issued		246		142	6,170		1,988
Reinvestments of distributions to holders							
of redeemable units		_		_	41		723
Redemption of redeemable units		(237)		(21)	(9,258)		(6,779)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) FROM							
REDEEMABLE UNIT TRANSACTIONS		9		121	(3,047)		(4,068)
Distributions from net income		(3)		(4)	(49)		(779)
Distributions from net gains		_		-	-		_
Distributions from capital		-		-	-		_
TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS TO HOLDERS							
OF REDEEMABLE UNITS		(3)		(4)	(49)		(779)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NAV	, and the second	86		131	12,716		2,108
NAV AT END OF PERIOD	\$	220	\$	134	\$ 67,293	\$	54,577



December 31, 2024

## General information (see note 1 in the generic notes)

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide long-term total returns composed of capital growth and current income from investments throughout the world.

# Financial instrument risk and capital management (see note 5 in the generic notes)

#### Concentration risk (%)

The table below summarizes the Fund's investment exposure (after consideration of derivative products, if any) as at:

	December 31,	December 31,
Investment mix	2024	2023
United States	63.0	62.1
Germany	6.2	3.7
Canada	5.2	2.2
China	4.3	0.8
Japan	4.3	5.8
France	2.1	3.7
Spain	1.9	3.2
Italy	1.7	1.3
Poland	1.7	0.7
United Kingdom	1.7	2.3
Other Countries	6.9	13.4
Cash/Other	1.0	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0

## Currency risk (% of NAV)

The table below summarizes the Fund's net exposure (after hedging, if any) to currency risk as at:

	December 31,	December 31,
Currency	2024	2023
United States dollar	66.4	63.3
Euro	13.5	15.0
Japanese yen	4.3	5.8
Hong Kong dollar	3.0	0.8
Pound sterling	1.7	2.3
Polish zloty	1.7	0.7
Australian dollar	1.2	1.0
Swiss franc	0.8	1.0
Swedish krona	0.5	0.5
Danish krone	0.2	0.6
Indonesian rupiah	-	2.5
Turkish new lira	_	2.3
South Korean won	_	0.7
Mexican peso	_	0.6
Other currencies	0.5	0.6
Total	93.8	97.7

As at December 31, 2024, if the Canadian dollar had strengthened or weakened by 5% in relation to the above currencies, with all other factors kept constant, the Fund's NAV may have decreased or increased, respectively, by approximately 4.7% (December 31, 2023 – 4.9%). In practice, actual results could differ from this sensitivity analysis and the difference could be material.

## Other price risk (% impact on NAV)

The table below shows the impact of a 10% change in the broad-based index (noted below) on the Fund's NAV, using a 36-month historical correlation of data of the Fund's return and the index, with all other factors kept constant, as at:

	December 3	I, Dec	ember 31,
	202	1	2023
MSCI World Total Return Net Index (CAD)	+ or - 9.0	) + or -	8.8

Since historical correlation may not be representative of future correlation, actual results could differ from this sensitivity analysis and the difference could be material.

# Fair value hierarchy (\$000s except % amounts) (see note 3 in the generic notes)

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

December 31, 2024	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Equities	48,240	18,372	_	66,612
Underlying funds	-	-	-	-
Fixed-income				
and debt securities	-	-	-	-
Short-term investments	-	717	_	717
Derivatives – assets	-	-	-	-
Derivatives – liabilities	-	_	_	_
Total financial instruments	48,240	19,089	_	67,329
% of total portfolio	71.6	28.4	_	100.0
December 31, 2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Equities	35,844	18,287	-	54,131
Underlying funds	_	-	-	_
Fixed-income				
and debt securities	-	-	-	-
Short-term investments	-	390	-	390
Derivatives – assets	_	-	-	_
Derivatives – liabilities	-	-	-	_
Total financial instruments	35,844	18,677	_	54,521
% of total portfolio	65.7	34.3		100.0

For the periods ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, there were no transfers of financial instruments between Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3.



December 31, 2024

# Management fees and administration fees (see note 8 in the generic notes)

Management fees and administration fees of each series of the Fund are payable to RBC GAM and calculated at the following annual percentages, before GST/HST, of the daily NAV of each series of the Fund.

	Management fees	Administration fees
Series A	1.85%	0.15%
Series D	1.10%	0.15%
Series F	0.85%	0.15%
Series 0	n/a*	0.02%

<sup>\*</sup> Series O unitholders pay a negotiated management fee directly to RBC GAM for investment-counselling services.

# Investments by related parties (\$000s except unit amounts)

Royal Bank of Canada, or one of its subsidiaries, held the following investments in the Fund as at:

	December 31,	December 31,
	2024	2023
Units held		
Series 0	213	210
Value of all units	4	3

### Taxes (\$000s) (see note 6 in the generic notes)

The non-capital and capital losses for the Fund were approximately:

As at December 31, 2024	
Capital losses	65,711
Non-capital losses	_

## Redeemable units (000s)

There is no limitation on the number of units available for issue. The following is a summary of units purchased and redeemed at the NAV per unit for the periods ended:

	December 31,	December 31,	
	2024	2023	
Series A			
Opening units	2,753	3,033	
Issued number of units	191	77	
Reinvested number of units	_	28	
Redeemed number of units	(380)	(385)	
Ending number of units	2,564	2,753	

	December 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Series D		
Opening units	3	4
Issued number of units	1	_
Reinvested number of units	-	_
Redeemed number of units	(1)	(1)
Ending number of units	3	3
Series F		
Opening units	1,562	1,638
Issued number of units	207	78
Reinvested number of units	2	30
Redeemed number of units	(233)	(184)
Ending number of units	1,538	1,562
Series 0		
Opening units	9	-
Issued number of units	18	11
Reinvested number of units	_	_
Redeemed number of units	(15)	(2)
Ending number of units	12	9

## Transaction costs (\$000s except %)

Transaction costs, including brokerage commissions, in consideration of portfolio transactions for the periods ended:

	December 31, 2024		December 31, 2023	
	\$	%	\$	%
Total transaction costs	44	100	57	100
Related-party brokerage commissions*	2	5	_	-
Commission arrangements <sup>†</sup>	-	-	-	

<sup>\*</sup> See note 8 in the generic notes.

# Securities lending revenue (\$000s except %) (see note 7 in the generic notes)

Fair value of securities on loan and collateral received as at:

	December 31,	December 31,
	2024	2023
Fair value of securities loaned	1,158	2,777
Fair value of collateral received	1,181	2,833

<sup>†</sup> Commission arrangements are part of commission amounts paid to dealers. The Fund uses commission arrangements (formerly known as "soft dollars") for research and/or order execution goods and services.



December 31, 2024

The table below provides a reconciliation of the gross revenue generated from the securities lending transactions of the Fund to the securities lending revenue disclosed in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

	December 31, 2024		December 31, 2023	
	\$	%	\$	%
Gross revenue	9	100	8	100
RBC IS (paid)	(2)	(20)	(2)	(23)
Tax withheld	_	(1)	_	(1)
Fund revenue	7	79	6	76

#### 1. The Funds

The Funds ("Fund" or "Funds") are open-ended mutual fund trusts governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario or British Columbia. RBC Global Asset Management Inc. ("RBC GAM") is the manager and portfolio manager of the Funds and its head office is located at 155 Wellington Street West, 22nd Floor, Toronto, Ontario. RBC GAM is also the trustee of those Funds governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario. These financial statements were approved for issuance by the Board of Directors of RBC GAM on March 10, 2025.

The Funds may issue an unlimited number of units in some or all of Series A, Series AZ, Series T5, Series T8, Series H, Series D, Series DZ, Series F, Series FZ, Series FT5, Series FT8, Series I, Series N, Series O and ETF Series.

Series A units and Series AZ units have no sales charges and are available to all investors through authorized dealers.

Series T5 units and Series T8 units have no sales charges and are available to all investors through authorized dealers.

Series H units have no sales charges, have lower fees than Series A units and are only available to investors who invest and maintain the required minimum balance through authorized dealers.

Series D units and Series DZ units have no sales charges and have lower fees than Series A units. Series D units and Series DZ units may be available to investors who have accounts with RBC Direct Investing Inc., Phillips, Hager & North Investment Funds Ltd. ("PH&N IF") or certain other authorized dealers (primarily discount brokers).

Series F units, Series FZ units, Series FT5 units and Series FT8 units have no sales charges and have lower fees than Series A units. Series F units, Series FT5 units and Series FT8 units are only available to investors who have fee-based accounts with their dealer.

Series I units have no sales charges, have lower fees than Series F units, Series FT5 units and Series FT8 units and are only available to investors who invest and maintain the required minimum balance and who have accounts with dealers who have signed a fee-based agreement with RBC GAM.

Series N units are only available to related funds.

Series O units are only available to large private or institutional investors or dealers. No management fees are payable by the Funds in respect to Series O units. Unitholders pay a negotiated fee directly to RBC GAM for investment-counselling services.

The units of the ETF Series are listed either on the Toronto Stock Exchange (the "TSX") or on Cboe Canada ("Cboe Canada") as the case may be. The TSX and Cboe Canada are each referred to herein as the "Exchange." Investors may purchase or sell units on the applicable Exchange in the same way as other securities listed on the Exchange.

On any trading day, an underwriter or designated broker may place a subscription or exchange (redemption) order for the prescribed number of units or an integral multiple of the prescribed number of units of the ETF Series. If the order is accepted, the Fund will issue or redeem units to or from the underwriter or designated broker within one trading day thereafter. For each prescribed number of units issued or redeemed, the underwriter or designated broker must deliver or receive payment consisting of:

- a) a basket of applicable securities for each prescribed number of units; and
- b) cash in an amount sufficient so that the value of the basket of the applicable securities and cash delivered is equal to the net asset value of the prescribed number of units plus the distribution price adjustment, if applicable, of the ETF Series.

Unitholders may redeem ETF Series units for cash at a redemption price per ETF Series unit equal to the lesser of: (i) 95% of the closing price for the ETF Series units on the Exchange on the effective day of the redemption; and (ii) the Net Asset Value per ETF Series unit on the effective day of the redemption. Unitholders will generally be able to sell (rather than redeem) units at the full market price on the TSX or Cboe Canada, as the case may be, through a registered broker or dealer subject only to customary brokerage commissions. To be effective on a particular trading day, a cash redemption request must be received by such time as RBC GAM may, from time to time, determine on that trading day. If a cash redemption request is received later than the prescribed time on a trading day or a day which is not a trading day, the cash redemption request shall be deemed to be received as of the next trading day.

RBC Funds	Series	Exchange Ticker Symbol
RBC Conservative Bond Pool	ETF Series	RCNS
RBC Core Bond Pool	ETF Series	RCOR
RBC Core Plus Bond Pool	ETF Series	RPLS
RBC Canadian Equity Income Fund	ETF Series	RCEI
RBC North American Value Fund	ETF Series	RNAV
RBC North American Growth Fund	ETF Series	RNAG
RBC U.S. Mid-Cap Growth Equity Fund	ETF Series	RUMG
RBC Life Science and Technology Fund	ETF Series	RLST
RBC International Equity Fund	ETF Series	RINT
RBC Emerging Markets Dividend Fund	ETF Series	REMD
RBC Global Energy Fund	ETF Series	RENG
RBC Global Precious Metals Fund	ETF Series	RGPM
RBC Global Technology Fund	ETF Series	RTEC

## 2. Financial year

The Statements of Financial Position are prepared as at December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, as applicable, and the Statements of Comprehensive Income, Statements of Cash Flow, and Statements of Changes in NAV are prepared for the years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, except for those Funds established during either period, in which case, the information is presented from the start date as described in the Notes to Financial Statements – Fund Specific Information to December 31 of that year.

## 3. Material accounting policy information

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards. The material accounting policy information of the Funds is as follows:

Classification and Measurement of Financial Assets,
Liabilities and Derivatives Each of the Funds classifies
its investment portfolio based on the business model for
managing the portfolio and the contractual cash flow
characteristics. The investment portfolio of financial assets
and liabilities is managed and performance is evaluated on
a fair value basis. The contractual cash flows of the Funds'
debt securities that are solely principal and interest are
neither held for the purpose of collecting contractual cash
flows nor held both for collecting contractual cash flows
and for sale. The collection of contractual cash flows is only
incidental to achieving the Funds' business model objectives.

Consequently, all investments are measured at fair value through profit and loss ("FVTPL"). Derivative assets and liabilities are also measured at FVTPL.

The Funds' obligation for net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units represents a financial liability and is measured at the redemption amount, which approximates fair value as of the reporting date. All other financial assets and liabilities are measured at amortized cost, which approximates fair value given their short-term nature.

Offsetting Financial Assets and Liabilities In the normal course of business, the Funds may enter into various International Swaps and Derivatives Association master netting agreements or other similar arrangements with certain counterparties that allow for related amounts to be offset in certain circumstances, such as bankruptcy or termination of contracts. Offsetting information, where applicable, is presented in the Notes to Financial Statements – Fund Specific Information.

Collateral received represents amounts held by a counterparty or custodian on behalf of the Funds and can be in the form of securities and cash. Cash received as collateral is included in the Statements of Financial Position, whereas securities received are not included. Collateral pledged represents amounts held by the Funds' custodian/counterparty on behalf of the counterparty and can be in the form of cash and securities. Cash pledged as collateral is included in the Statements of Financial Position, while securities pledged as collateral are identified on the respective Fund's Schedule of Investment Portfolio.

**Classification of Redeemable Units** The Funds have multiple features across the different series of the Funds. Consequently, the Funds' outstanding redeemable units are classified as financial liabilities in accordance with the requirements of IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation.

Unconsolidated Structured Entities The Funds may invest in other Funds and exchange-traded funds ("ETFs") managed by the manager or an affiliate of the manager ("sponsored funds") and may invest in other funds and ETFs managed by unaffiliated entities ("unsponsored funds"); collectively, "underlying funds." The underlying funds are determined to be unconsolidated structured entities, as decision making in the underlying fund is not governed by the voting rights or other similar rights held by the Fund. The investments in underlying funds are subject to the terms and conditions of the offering documents of the respective underlying

funds and are susceptible to market price risk arising from uncertainties about future values of those underlying funds. The underlying funds' objectives are generally to achieve long-term capital appreciation and/or current income by investing in a portfolio of securities and other funds in line with each of their documented investment strategies. The underlying funds apply various investment strategies to accomplish their respective investment objectives.

The underlying funds finance their operations by issuing redeemable units which are puttable at the unitholder's option, and entitle the unitholder to a proportional stake in the respective underlying funds' NAV.

The Funds do not consolidate their investment in underlying funds but account for these investments at fair value. The manager has determined that the Funds are investment entities in accordance with IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements, since the Funds meet the following criteria:

- (i) The Funds obtain capital from one or more investors for the purpose of providing those investors with investment management services,
- (ii) The Funds commit to their investors that their business purpose is to invest funds solely for the returns from capital appreciation, investment income or both, and
- (iii) The Funds measure and evaluate the performance of substantially all of their investments on a fair value basis.

Therefore, the fair value of investments in the underlying funds is included in the Schedule of Investment Portfolio and included in "Investments at fair value" in the Funds' Statements of Financial Position. The change in fair value of the investment held in the underlying funds is included in "Change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments and derivatives" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

Certain Funds may invest in mortgage-related or other asset-backed securities. These securities include commercial mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities, collateralized debt obligations and other securities that directly or indirectly represent a participation in, or are securitized by and payable from, mortgage loans on real property. Mortgage-related securities are created from pools of residential or commercial mortgage loans while asset-backed securities are created from many types of assets, including auto loans, credit card receivables, home equity loans and student loans. The Funds account for these

investments at fair value. The fair value of such securities, as disclosed in the Schedule of Investment Portfolio, represents the maximum exposure to losses at that date.

**Determination of Fair Value** The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount at which the financial instrument could be exchanged in an arm's-length transaction between knowledgeable and willing parties under no compulsion to act. In determining fair value, a three-tier hierarchy based on inputs is used to value the Funds' financial instruments. The hierarchy of inputs is summarized below:

*Level 1* – quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2 – inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices), including broker quotes, vendor prices, vendor fair value factors and prices of underlying funds that are not daily traded; and

*Level 3* – inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

Changes in valuation methods may result in transfers into or out of an investment's assigned level.

The three-tier hierarchy of investments and derivatives is included in Notes to Financial Statements – Fund Specific Information.

Investments and derivatives are recorded at fair value, which is determined as follows:

*Equities* – Common shares and preferred shares are valued at the closing price recorded by the security exchange on which the security is principally traded. In circumstances where the closing price is not within the bid-ask spread, management will determine the points within the bid-ask spread that are most representative of the fair value.

Fixed-Income and Debt Securities – Bonds, mortgage-backed securities, loans, debentures and other debt securities are valued at the mid price quoted by major dealers or independent pricing vendors in such securities.

NHA-approved mortgages are valued at an amount, which produces a yield equivalent to the prevailing rate of return on mortgages of similar type and term.

*Short-Term Investments* – Short-term investments are valued at cost plus accrued interest, which approximates fair value.

*Options* – Options give the purchaser the right, but not the obligation, to buy (call) or sell (put) an underlying security or financial instrument at an agreed exercise or strike price during the specified period or on a specified date.

Listed options are valued at the closing price on the recognized exchange on which the option is traded. In circumstances where the closing price is not within the bid-ask spread, management will determine the points within the bid-ask spread that are most representative of the fair value.

Options purchased and options written (sold) are recorded as investments in the Statements of Financial Position. These investments are reported at fair value in the Statements of Financial Position, and unrealized gain or loss at the close of business on each valuation date is recorded in "Change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments and derivatives" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

When an option is exercised and the underlying securities are acquired or delivered, the acquisition cost or sale proceeds are adjusted by the amount of the premium. When an option is closed the Fund will realize a gain or loss equal to the difference between the premium and the cost to close the position. When an option expires, gains or losses are realized equivalent to the amount of premiums received or paid, respectively. The net realized gains (losses) on written and purchased options are included in the Statements of Comprehensive Income in "Net realized gain (loss) on investments."

*Warrants* – Warrants are valued using a recognized option pricing model, which includes factors such as the terms of the warrant, time value of money and volatility inputs that are significant to such valuation.

Warrants are recorded as investments and reported at fair value in the Statements of Financial Position. Any unrealized gain or loss at the close of business on each valuation date is recorded in "Change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments and derivatives" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. When warrants are exercised or have expired, the net realized gains (losses) are included in the Statements of Comprehensive Income in "Net realized gain (loss) on investments."

Futures Contracts – Futures contracts entered into by the Funds are financial agreements to purchase or sell a financial instrument at a contracted price on a specified future date. However, the Funds do not intend to purchase or sell the financial instrument on the settlement date; rather, they

intend to close out each futures contract before settlement by entering into equal, but offsetting, futures contracts. Futures contracts are valued at the gain or loss that would arise as a result of closing the position at the valuation date. Any gain or loss at the close of business on each valuation date is recorded as "Derivative income (loss)" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. The receivable/payable on futures contracts is recorded separately in the Statements of Financial Position, and the year over year change in these balances is recorded in Increase/decrease in accrued receivables or accrued payables, as applicable, in the Statements of Cash Flow.

Forward Contracts – Forward contracts are valued at the gain or loss that would arise as a result of closing the position at the valuation date. The receivable/payable on forward contracts is recorded separately in the Statements of Financial Position. Any unrealized gain or loss at the close of business on each valuation date is recorded as "Change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments and derivatives" and realized gain or loss on foreign exchange contracts is included in "Derivative income (loss)" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

*Total Return Swaps* – A total return swap is an agreement by which one party makes payments based on a set rate, either fixed or variable, while the other party makes payments based on the return of an underlying asset, which includes both the income it generates and any capital gains. Total return swap contracts are marked to market daily based upon quotations from the market makers and the change in value, if any, is recorded in "Change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments and derivatives" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. When the swap contract is terminated early, the Fund records a realized gain or loss equal to the difference between the current net present value and the executed net present value in "Derivative income (loss)" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. Unrealized gains and losses are recorded as "Receivable on open swap contracts" or "Payable on open swap contracts" in the Statements of Financial Position, as applicable. The risks of total return swap contracts include changes in market conditions and the possible inability of the counterparty to fulfill its obligations under the agreement.

Interest Rate Swap Contracts – Interest rate swaps are agreements between two parties to exchange periodic interest payments based on a notional principal amount. The net periodic payments received from interest rate swap contracts are recorded as "Interest for distribution purposes" and paid are recorded as "Interest expense" in the

Statements of Comprehensive Income. Payments received or paid when the Fund enters into the contract are recorded as an asset or liability in the Statements of Financial Position. When the contract is terminated or expires, the payments received or paid are recorded as "Derivative income (loss)" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. Interest rate swap contracts are valued based upon quotations from independent sources.

Credit Default Swap Contracts – Credit default swaps are agreements between a protection buyer and protection seller. The protection buyer pays a periodic fee in exchange for a payment by the protection seller contingent on the occurrence of a credit event, such as a default, bankruptcy or restructuring, with respect to a referenced entity. Periodic fees received are recorded as "Interest for distribution purposes" and paid are recorded as "Interest expense" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. When the contract is terminated or expires, the payments received or paid are recorded as "Derivative income (loss)" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. Credit default swap contracts are valued based on quotations from independent sources.

*Underlying Funds* – Underlying funds that are not exchange-traded funds are valued at their respective NAV per unit from fund companies on the relevant valuation dates and underlying funds that are exchange-traded funds are valued at market close on the relevant valuation dates.

Fair Valuation of Investments – The Funds have procedures to determine the fair value of securities and other financial instruments for which market prices are not readily available or which may not be reliably priced. Procedures are in place to determine the fair value of foreign securities traded in countries outside of North America daily to avoid stale prices and to take into account, among other things, any significant events occurring after the close of a foreign market.

Management also has procedures where the Funds primarily employ a market-based approach, which may use related or comparable assets or liabilities, NAV per unit (for exchange-traded funds), recent transactions, market multiples, book values and other relevant information for the investment to determine its fair value. The Funds may also use an income-based valuation approach in which the anticipated future cash flows of the investment are discounted to calculate fair value. Discounts may also be applied due to the nature or duration of any restrictions on the disposition of the investments, but only if they arise

as a feature of the instrument itself. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuations of such investments, the fair values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had an active market existed.

All security valuation techniques are periodically reviewed by the Valuation Committee ("VC") of the manager and are approved by the manager. The VC provides oversight of the Funds' valuation policies and procedures.

**Cash** Cash is comprised of cash and deposits with banks and is recorded at amortized cost. The carrying amount of cash approximates its fair value because it is short term in nature.

**Margin** Margin accounts represent margin deposits held with brokers in respect of derivatives contracts.

**Functional Currency** The Funds, with the exceptions below, have their subscriptions, redemptions and performance denominated in Canadian dollars and, consequently, the Canadian dollar is the functional currency for the Funds. Phillips, Hager & North \$U.S. Money Market Fund, RBC \$U.S. Money Market Fund, RBC Premium \$U.S. Money Market Fund, RBC \$U.S. Short-Term Government Bond Fund, RBC \$U.S. Short-Term Corporate Bond Fund, RBC \$U.S. Global Bond Fund, RBC \$U.S. Investment Grade Corporate Bond Fund, RBC \$U.S. High Yield Bond Fund, RBC \$U.S. Strategic Income Bond Fund, BlueBay \$U.S. Global Investment Grade Corporate Bond Fund (Canada), BlueBay \$U.S. Global High Yield Bond Fund (Canada), BlueBay Emerging Markets Bond Fund (Canada), BlueBay Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund (Canada), BlueBay Emerging Markets Corporate Bond Fund, BlueBay Emerging Markets High Yield Corporate Bond Fund (Canada), RBC \$U.S. Core Bond Pool, RBC \$U.S. Core Plus Bond Pool, RBC U.S. Monthly Income Fund, RBC \$U.S. Global Balanced Portfolio and RBC QUBE Market Neutral World Equity Fund (collectively, the "USD Funds") have their subscriptions, redemptions and performance denominated in U.S. dollars and, consequently, the U.S. dollar is the functional currency for these Funds.

Foreign Exchange The value of investments and other assets and liabilities in foreign currencies is translated into Canadian dollars (U.S. dollars in the case of the USD Funds) at the rate of exchange on each valuation date. Gains/losses on foreign cash balances are included in "Net gain (loss) on foreign cash balances" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. Purchases and sales of investments, income and expenses are translated at the rate of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions. Realized

foreign exchange gains/losses on spot and forward currency contracts are included in "Derivative income (loss)" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

Valuation of Series A different NAV is calculated for each series of units of a Fund. The NAV of a particular series of units is computed by calculating the value of the series' proportionate share of the assets and liabilities of the Fund common to all series less the liabilities of the Fund attributable only to that series. Expenses directly attributable to a series are charged to that series. Other expenses are allocated proportionately to each series based upon the relative NAV of each series. Expenses are accrued daily.

Investment Transactions Investment transactions are accounted for as of the trade date. Transaction costs, such as brokerage commissions, incurred by the Funds are recorded in the Statements of Comprehensive Income for the period. The unrealized gain and loss on investments is the difference between fair value and average cost for the period. The basis of determining the cost of portfolio assets, and realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments, is average cost which does not include amortization of premiums or discounts on fixed-income and debt securities with the exception of zero coupon bonds and short-term investments.

Income Recognition Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest for distribution purposes is coupon interest recognized on an accrual basis and/or imputed interest on zero coupon bonds. "Income from investment trusts" includes income from underlying funds and other trusts. Any premiums paid or discounts received on the purchase of zero coupon bonds are amortized. Interest payments made by the Funds to counterparties on the payable leg of derivative contracts are recorded as "Interest expense" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

Increase (Decrease) in NAV per Unit Increase (decrease) in NAV per unit in the Statements of Comprehensive Income represents the increase (decrease) from operations in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units by series, divided by the average units outstanding per series during the period.

**Early Redemption Fees** Early redemption fees (short-term trading fees) are paid directly to a Fund and are designed to deter excessive trading and its associated costs. With the exception of money market funds, a Fund may apply a fee of 2% of the current value of units if the unitholder redeems

or switches out units within seven days of purchasing or previously switching into a Fund. These amounts are included in the Statements of Changes in NAV.

**Foreign Currencies** The following is a list of abbreviations used in the Schedule of Investment Portfolio:

AUD - Australian dollar KZT - Kazakhstan tenge BRL - Brazilian real MXN - Mexican peso CAD - Canadian dollar MYR - Malaysian ringgit CHF - Swiss franc NGN - Nigerian naira CLP - Chilean peso NOK - Norwegian krone CNH/CNY - Chinese renminbi NZD - New Zealand dollar COP - Colombian peso PEN - Peruvian nuevo sol CZK - Czech koruna PHP - Philippine peso DKK - Danish krone PLN - Polish zloty DOP - Dominican peso PYG - Paraguayan guarani EGP - Egyptian pound RON - Romanian leu EUR - Euro RSD - Serbian dinar GBP - Pound sterling SEK - Swedish krona HKD - Hong Kong dollar SGD - Singapore dollar HUF – Hungarian forint THB - Thailand baht IDR - Indonesian rupiah TRY - Turkish new lira ILS - Israeli new shekel TWD - New Taiwan dollar INR - Indian rupee USD - United States dollar JPY - Japanese yen ZAR - South African rand KRW - South Korean won

In-Kind Transactions and Switches Between Different Series of the Same Fund The Funds exclude non-cash transactions from their operating and financing activities within the Statements of Cash Flow. The primary differences between amounts issued and redeemed within the Statements of Changes in NAV and the Statements of Cash Flow relate to in-kind transactions and switches between series of the same Fund. Similarly, the "Cost of investments purchased" and "Proceeds from sale and maturity of investments"

### 4. Critical accounting judgments and estimates

within the Statements of Cash Flow appropriately exclude

in-kind transactions.

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of judgment in applying the Funds' accounting policies and making estimates and assumptions about the future. The following discusses the most significant accounting judgments and estimates that management has made in preparing the financial statements.

## Fair value measurement of securities not quoted in an active market

The Funds have established policies and control procedures that are intended to ensure these estimates are well controlled, independently reviewed and consistently applied from period to period. The estimates of the value of the Funds' assets and liabilities are believed to be appropriate as at the reporting date.

The Funds may hold financial instruments that are not quoted in active markets. Note 3 discusses the policies used by management for the estimates used in determining fair value.

### 5. Financial instrument risk and capital management

RBC GAM is responsible for managing each Fund's capital, which is its NAV and consists primarily of its financial instruments.

A Fund's investment activities expose it to a variety of financial risks. RBC GAM seeks to minimize potential adverse effects of these risks on a Fund's performance by employing professional, experienced portfolio managers, daily monitoring of the Fund's holdings and market events, diversifying its investment portfolio within the constraints of its investment objectives and, in some cases, periodically hedging certain risk exposures through the use of derivatives. To assist in managing risks, RBC GAM also uses internal guidelines, maintains a governance structure that oversees each Fund's investment activities and monitors compliance with the Fund's investment strategies, internal guidelines and securities regulations.

Significant market disruptions, such as those caused by pandemics, natural or environmental disasters, wars, acts of terrorism, or other events, can adversely affect local and global markets and normal market operations. Any such disruptions could have an adverse impact on the value of the Funds' investments and performance.

Financial instrument risk, as applicable to a Fund, is disclosed in its Notes to Financial Statements – Fund Specific Information. These risks include a Fund's direct risks and pro rata exposure to the risks of underlying funds, as applicable.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the possibility that investments in a Fund cannot be readily converted into cash when required. A Fund is exposed to daily cash redemptions of redeemable units. Liquidity risk is managed by investing the majority of a Fund's assets in investments that are traded in an active market and that can be readily disposed. In accordance with securities regulations, a Fund must maintain at least 90% of its assets in liquid investments. In addition, a Fund aims to retain sufficient cash and cash equivalent positions to maintain liquidity, and has the ability to borrow up to 5% of its NAV for the purpose of funding redemptions. All non-derivative financial liabilities, other than redeemable units, are due within 90 days.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a loss could arise from a security issuer or counterparty not being able to meet its financial obligations. The carrying amount of investments and other assets represents the maximum credit risk exposure as disclosed in a Fund's Statements of Financial Position. The Funds measure credit risk and expected credit losses using probability of default, exposure at default and loss given default. Management considers both historical analysis and forward-looking information in determining any expected credit loss. All other receivables, amounts due from brokers, cash, margin and short-term deposits are held with counterparties with a credit rating of BBB- or higher. Management considers the probability of default to be close to zero as the counterparties have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. As a result, no loss allowance has been recognized based on 12-month expected credit losses as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Funds. The fair value of fixed-income and debt securities includes a consideration of the creditworthiness of the debt issuer. Credit risk exposure to over-the-counter derivative instruments is based on a Fund's unrealized gain on the contractual obligations with the counterparty. Credit risk exposure is mitigated for those Funds participating in a securities lending program (see note 7). RBC GAM monitors each Fund's credit exposure and counterparty ratings daily.

#### Concentration risk

Concentration risk arises as a result of net financial instrument exposures to the same category, such as geographical region, asset type, industry sector or market segment. Financial instruments in the same category have similar characteristics and may be affected similarly by changes in economic or other conditions.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of a Fund's interest-bearing investments will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The value of fixed-income and debt securities, such as bonds, debentures, mortgages or other income-producing securities, is affected by interest rates. Generally, the value of these securities increases if interest rates fall and decreases if interest rates rise.

Certain Funds trade in debt securities, some of which are variable rate and have an inter-bank linked interest rate. Such debt securities may potentially be transitioned to an alternative benchmark before the Funds dispose of their

investments. The impact of this transition, if any, will be captured in the change in fair value of these investments and is not expected to be significant to each Fund.

#### **Currency risk**

Currency risk is the risk that the value of investments denominated in currencies, other than the functional currency of a Fund, will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The value of investments denominated in a currency other than the functional currency is affected by changes in the value of the functional currency in relation to the value of the currency in which the investment is denominated. When the value of the functional currency falls in relation to foreign currencies, then the value of the foreign investments rises. When the value of the functional currency rises, the value of the foreign investments falls. The currency risk as disclosed in the Fund Specific Information in the Notes to Financial Statements represents the monetary and non-monetary foreign exchange exposure of a Fund.

#### Other price risk

Other price risk is the risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate or currency risk), whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment, its issuer, or all factors affecting all instruments traded in a market or market segment.

Short sales entail certain risks, including the risk that a short sale of a security may expose a Fund to losses if the value of the security increases. A short sale creates the risk of a theoretically unlimited loss, in that the price of the underlying security could theoretically increase without limit, thus increasing the cost to the Fund of buying those securities to cover the short position. In addition, a short sale by a Fund requires the Fund to borrow securities in order that the short sale may be transacted. There is no assurance that the lender of the securities will not require the security to be paid back by a Fund before the Fund wants to do so, possibly requiring the Fund to borrow the security elsewhere or purchase the security on the market at an unattractive price. Moreover, the borrowing of securities entails the payment of a borrowing fee. The borrowing fee may increase during the borrowing period, adding to the expense of the short sale strategy. There is also no guarantee that the securities sold short can be repurchased by a Fund due to supply and demand constraints in the equity markets. Finally, in order to maintain the appropriate ratios between the long portfolio and the short portfolio of a Fund, the Manager may be

required to buy or sell short securities at unattractive prices. The maximum risk resulting for financial instruments held long is determined by the fair value of the instrument.

#### 6. Taxes

The Funds qualify as open-ended mutual fund trusts or unit trusts under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) (the "Tax Act"). In general, the Funds are subject to income tax; however, no income tax is payable on net income and/or net realized capital gains which are distributed to unitholders. Since the Funds do not record income taxes, the tax benefit of capital and non-capital losses has not been reflected in the Statements of Financial Position as a deferred income tax asset. In addition, for mutual fund trusts, income taxes payable on net realized capital gains are refundable on a formula basis when units of the Funds are redeemed. It is the intention of the Funds to pay out all net income and realized capital gains each year so that the Funds will not be subject to income taxes. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is recorded.

If a Fund is not a mutual fund trust under the Tax Act throughout a taxation year, the Fund (i) may become liable for alternative minimum tax under the Tax Act in such year, (ii) would not be eligible for capital gains refunds under the Tax Act in such year, (iii) may be subject to the "mark-to-market" rules described below and (iv) may be subject to a special tax under Part XII.2 of the Tax Act described below in such year.

If a Fund does not qualify as a mutual fund trust and more than 50% (calculated on a fair market value basis) of the units of the Fund are held by one or more unitholders that are considered to be "financial institutions" for the purposes of certain special mark-to-market rules in the Tax Act, then the Fund itself will be treated as a financial institution under those special rules. Under those rules, the Fund will be required to recognize at least annually on income account any gains and losses accruing on certain types of debt obligations and equity securities that it holds and also will be subject to special rules with respect to income inclusion on these securities. Any income arising from such treatment will be included in amounts to be distributed to unitholders. If more than 50% of the units of the Fund cease to be held by financial institutions, the tax year of the Fund will be deemed to end immediately before that time and any gains or losses accrued before that time will be deemed realized by the Fund and will be distributed to unitholders. A new taxation year for the Fund will then begin and for that and subsequent

taxation years, for so long as not more than 50% of the units of the Fund are held by financial institutions, the Fund will not be subject to these special mark-to-market rules.

If at any time in a year a Fund that is not a mutual fund trust under the Tax Act throughout that year has a unitholder that is a "designated beneficiary", the Fund will be subject to a special tax at the rate of 40% under Part XII.2 of the Tax Act on its "designated income" within the meaning of the Tax Act. A "designated beneficiary" includes a non-resident, and "designated income" includes taxable capital gains from dispositions of "taxable Canadian property" and income from business carried on in Canada (which could include gains on certain derivatives). Where a Fund is subject to tax under Part XII.2 of the Tax Act, the Fund may make a designation which will result in unitholders that are not designated beneficiaries receiving a tax credit with respect to their share of the Part XII.2 tax paid by the Fund.

Capital losses are available to be carried forward indefinitely and applied against future capital gains. Non-capital losses may be carried forward to reduce future taxable income for up to 20 years.

The total amount of distributions for Series T5 and Series FT5 units for a year may exceed the Series T5 and Series FT5 units' share of income and capital gains earned by the fund, respectively, in that year. This excess amount will be treated as a return of capital to the unitholder. Return of capital represents a return to the unitholder of a portion of their own invested capital.

The Funds may be subject to withholding taxes levied by certain countries on foreign investment income and capital gains. Such income or gains are recorded on a gross basis and the related withholding taxes, or estimate of capital gains taxes is recorded as an expense in the Statements of Comprehensive Income. The withholding tax liability on capital gains is included in "Accounts payable and accrued expenses" in the Statements of Financial Position. The estimate could materially differ from the actual tax payable.

## 7. Securities lending revenue

Certain of the Funds lend portfolio securities from time to time in order to earn additional income. Income from securities lending is included in the Statements of Comprehensive Income of a Fund. Each such Fund will have entered into a securities lending program with its custodian, RBC Investor Services Trust ("RBC IS"). The aggregate market value of all securities loaned by a Fund cannot exceed 50%

of the assets of a Fund. The Fund receives collateral, with an approved credit rating of at least A, of at least 102% of the value of securities on loan. The Fund is indemnified by RBC IS for any collateral credit or market loss. As such, the credit risk associated with securities lending is considered minimal.

# 8. Administrative and other related-party transactions

#### Manager and Portfolio Manager

RBC GAM is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Royal Bank of Canada ("Royal Bank"). RBC GAM is the manager and portfolio manager of the Funds. RBC GAM is responsible for the Funds' day-to-day operations, provides investment advice and portfolio management services to the Funds and appoints distributors for the Funds. RBC GAM is paid a management fee by the Funds as compensation for its services. The management fee is calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of the NAV of each series of units of the Funds. No management fees are paid by the Funds with respect to Series O units. Unitholders of Series O units pay a negotiated fee directly to RBC GAM for investment-counselling services.

The Funds pay a fixed administration fee to RBC GAM. The fixed administration fee is calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of the NAV of each series of units of the Funds. RBC GAM in turn pays certain operating expenses of the Funds. These expenses include regulatory filing fees and other day-to-day operating expenses including, but not limited to, recordkeeping, accounting and fund valuation costs, custody fees, audit and legal fees and the costs of preparing and distributing annual and interim reports, prospectuses, statements and investor communications.

Notwithstanding the fixed administration fee, the Funds also pay certain operating expenses directly, including any costs and expenses of the Independent Review Committee ("IRC") of the Funds that are not related to annual fees, meeting fees and reimbursement for expenses to members of the IRC, the cost of any new government or regulatory requirements introduced and any borrowing costs (collectively, "other fund costs"), and taxes (including, but not limited to, GST/HST). RBC GAM, not the Funds, is responsible for the costs related to annual fees, meeting fees and reimbursement for expenses to members of the IRC. Other fund costs are allocated proportionately to each series based upon the relative NAV of each series. RBC GAM may, in some years and in certain cases, absorb a portion of operating expenses. The decision

to absorb the operating expenses is reviewed annually and determined at the discretion of RBC GAM, without notice to unitholders.

Certain Funds may invest in units of other Funds managed by RBC GAM or its affiliates ("underlying funds"). A Fund will not invest in units of an underlying fund if the Fund would be required to pay any management or incentive fees in respect of that investment that a reasonable person would believe duplicates a fee payable by the underlying fund for the same service. To the extent a Fund invests in underlying funds managed by RBC GAM or its affiliates, the fees and expenses payable by the underlying funds are in addition to the fees and expenses payable by the Fund. However, a Fund may only invest in one or more underlying funds provided that no management fees or incentive fees are payable that would duplicate a fee payable by the underlying fund for the same service. The Fund's ownership interest in underlying funds is disclosed in the Notes to Financial Statements - Fund Specific Information.

RBC GAM or its affiliates may earn fees and spreads in connection with various services provided to, or transactions with, the Funds, such as banking, brokerage, securities lending, foreign exchange and derivatives transactions. RBC GAM or its affiliates may earn a foreign exchange spread when unitholders switch between series of funds denominated in different currencies. The Funds also maintain bank accounts and overdraft provisions with Royal Bank for which Royal Bank may earn a fee. Affiliates of RBC GAM that provide services to the Funds in the course of their normal business, all of which are wholly owned subsidiaries of Royal Bank of Canada, are discussed below.

#### Sub-Advisors

RBC Global Asset Management (U.S.) Inc. is the sub-advisor for: RBC \$U.S. Short-Term Government Bond Fund

RBC \$U.S. Short-Term Corporate Bond Fund (for the underlying fund)

RBC \$U.S. Investment Grade Corporate Bond Fund

RBC Global Corporate Bond Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

BlueBay Global Investment Grade Corporate Bond Fund

(Canada) (for a portion of the Fund)

BlueBay \$U.S. Global Investment Grade Corporate Bond

Fund (Canada) (for a portion of the Fund)

BlueBay Global High Yield Bond Fund (Canada) (for the underlying fund)

BlueBay \$U.S. Global High Yield Bond Fund (Canada) (for a portion of the Fund)

RBC U.S. Monthly Income Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

RBC U.S. Small-Cap Core Equity Fund

RBC U.S. Small-Cap Value Equity Fund

BlueBay Global Alternative Bond Fund (Canada)

(for a portion of the Fund)

Phillips, Hager & North U.S. Multi-Style All-Cap Equity Fund

RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited is the sub-advisor for:

RBC Short-Term Global Bond Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

RBC Bond Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

RBC Global Bond Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

RBC \$U.S. Global Bond Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

RBC Global Corporate Bond Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

RBC Global High Yield Bond Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

RBC Emerging Markets Bond Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

BlueBay Global Monthly Income Bond Fund\*

BlueBay Global Sovereign Bond Fund (Canada)\*

BlueBay Global Investment Grade Corporate Bond

Fund (Canada)\* (for a portion of the Fund)

BlueBay \$U.S. Global Investment Grade Corporate Bond

Fund (Canada)\* (for a portion of the Fund)

BlueBay European High Yield Bond Fund (Canada)\*

BlueBay Global High Yield Bond Fund (Canada)\*

(for the underlying fund)

BlueBay \$U.S. Global High Yield Bond Fund (Canada)\* (for a portion of the Fund)

BlueBay Emerging Markets Bond Fund (Canada)\*

BlueBay Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund (Canada)\*

BlueBay Emerging Markets Corporate Bond Fund\* BlueBay Emerging Markets High Yield Corporate

Bond Fund (Canada)\*

BlueBay Global Convertible Bond Fund (Canada)\*

RBC Balanced Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

RBC Global Balanced Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

RBC Vision Balanced Fund (for a portion of the Fund)

**RBC International Dividend Growth Fund** 

RBC International Equity Fund (for the European equity portion of the Fund)

RBC International Equity Currency Neutral Fund (for the European equity portion of the underlying fund)

**RBC** European Equity Fund

RBC European Mid-Cap Equity Fund

RBC Emerging Markets Multi-Strategy Equity Fund

(for the underlying funds)

**RBC Emerging Markets Dividend Fund** 

RBC Emerging Markets ex-China Dividend Fund

**RBC Emerging Markets Equity Fund** 

RBC Emerging Markets ex-China Equity Fund

**RBC Emerging Markets Equity Focus Fund** 

RBC Vision Fossil Fuel Free Emerging Markets Equity Fund

RBC Emerging Markets Small-Cap Equity Fund

RBC Global Dividend Growth Fund

RBC Global Dividend Growth Currency Neutral Fund

**RBC Global Equity Fund** 

RBC Vision Global Equity Fund

RBC Vision Fossil Fuel Free Global Equity Fund

**RBC Global Equity Focus Fund** 

RBC Global Equity Focus Currency Neutral Fund

(for the underlying fund)

**RBC Global Equity Leaders Fund** 

RBC Global Equity Leaders Currency Neutral Fund

(for the underlying fund)

BlueBay Global Alternative Bond Fund (Canada)\*

(for a portion of the Fund)

Phillips, Hager & North Overseas Equity Fund Phillips, Hager & North Global Equity Fund

RBC Global Asset Management (Asia) Limited is the sub-advisor for:

RBC Balanced Fund (for the Asian equity portion of the Fund) RBC Global Balanced Fund (for the Asian equity portion of the Fund)

RBC International Dividend Growth Fund (for the Asian equity portion of the Fund)

RBC International Equity Fund (for the Asian equity portion of the Fund)

RBC International Equity Currency Neutral Fund (for the Asian equity portion of the underlying fund)

RBC Asian Equity Fund (for the underlying funds)

RBC Asia Pacific ex-Japan Equity Fund

**RBC China Equity Fund** 

**RBC Japanese Equity Fund** 

The sub-advisors earn a fee which is calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of the NAV of each series of units of the Funds. The sub-advisors are paid by the manager from the management fee paid by the Funds.

#### Trustee

RBC GAM is the trustee for the Funds governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario. RBC IS is the trustee for the Funds governed by the laws of the Province of British Columbia. The trustee holds title to the Funds' property on behalf of the unitholders. The trustee earns a fee, which is paid by the manager from the fixed administration fee paid by the Funds.

#### Distributors

RBC GAM, Royal Mutual Funds Inc., RBC Direct Investing Inc., RBC Dominion Securities Inc. and PH&N IF are principal distributors of, or may distribute certain series of units of, the Funds. Dealers receive an ongoing commission based on the total value of their clients' Series A, Series T5, Series T8, Series H and Series D units.

#### Custodian

Unless specifically addressed in the Fund Specific Information, RBC IS is custodian of the Funds and holds the assets of the Funds. RBC IS earns a fee as the custodian, which is paid by the manager from the fixed administration fee paid by the Funds.

### Registrars

RBC GAM, RBC IS or Royal Bank (or a combination thereof) are the registrars of the Funds and keep records of who owns the units of the Funds. The registrars also process orders and issue account statements. The registrars earn a fee, which is paid by the manager from the fixed administration fee paid by the Funds.

## **Brokers and Dealers**

The Funds have established or may establish standard brokerage agreements and dealing agreements at market rates with related parties such as RBC Dominion Securities Inc., RBC Capital Markets, LLC, RBC Europe Limited, NBC Securities Inc. and Royal Bank of Canada.

#### Securities Lending Agent

To the extent a Fund may engage in securities lending transactions, RBC IS may act as the Fund's securities lending agent. Any revenue earned on such securities lending is split between the Fund and the securities lending agent.

#### Mortgage Administrator Agent

Royal Bank may administer mortgages on behalf of the Funds. Royal Bank earns a fee, which is paid by the manager from the fixed administration fee paid by the Funds.

<sup>\*</sup> Prior to April 1, 2023 BlueBay Asset Management LLP was a sub-advisor for these Funds.

#### Other Related-Party Transactions

Pursuant to applicable securities legislation, the Funds relied on the standing instructions from the IRC with respect to one or more of the following transactions:

## Related-Party Trading Activities

- (a) trades in securities of Royal Bank;
- (b) investments in the securities of issuers for which a related-party dealer acted as an underwriter during the distribution of such securities and the 60-day period following the conclusion of such distribution of the underwritten securities to the public;
- (c) purchases of equity, debt securities or mortgages from or sales of equity, debt securities or mortgages to a related-party dealer, where it acted as principal; and

#### Inter-Fund Trading

(d) purchases or sales of securities of an issuer from or to another investment fund or managed account managed by RBC GAM.

The applicable standing instructions require that Related-Party Trading Activities and Inter-Fund Trading be conducted in accordance with RBC GAM policy and that RBC GAM advise the IRC of a material breach of any standing instruction. RBC GAM policy requires that an investment decision in respect of Related-Party Trading Activities (i) is made free from any influence of Royal Bank or its associates or affiliates and without taking into account any consideration relevant to Royal Bank or its affiliates or associates, (ii) represents the business judgment of the portfolio manager, uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Funds, (iii) is in compliance with RBC GAM policies and procedures, and (iv) achieves a fair and reasonable result for the Funds. RBC GAM policy requires that an investment decision in respect of Inter-Fund Trading is in the best interests of each Fund.

#### 9. Auditor fees

Fees paid or payable by RBC Global Asset Management Inc. to PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP and other PwC Network firms for audit services related to public interest entity ETFs and mutual funds managed by RBC Global Asset Management Inc. with September 30, and December 31, 2024 year-end dates, are \$1,962,681 (September 30 and December 31, 2023 – \$1,838,066). Fees for other services are \$1,064,115 (September 30 and December 31, 2023 – \$987,091).

## 10. New IFRS Accounting Standards

In April 2024, the International Accounting Standards Board issued IFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in the Financial Statements which aims to improve the quality of financial reporting by introducing new requirements which include new required categories and subtotals in the Statements of Comprehensive Income and enhanced guidance on grouping of information. IFRS 18 replaces IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements. This standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2027, with early adoption permitted. RBC GAM is currently assessing the impact of these new requirements.

## 11. Subsequent event

Effective on or about April 17, 2025 (Effective Date) the following RBC Indigo Funds are expected to merge with certain RBC GAM funds, as noted below.

RBC Indigo Fund	RBC GAM Fund	
RBC Indigo Canadian Money Market Fund*	- RBC Canadian Money Market Fund	
RBC Indigo Canadian Money Market Pooled Fund*		
RBC Indigo U.S. Dollar Money Market Fund*	RBC Premium \$U.S. Money Market Fund	
RBC Indigo Canadian Bond Fund <sup>†</sup>	RBC Bond Fund	
RBC Indigo Canadian Bond Pooled Fund <sup>†</sup>		
RBC Indigo Global High Yield Bond Pooled Fund <sup>†</sup>	RBC High Yield Bond Fund	
RBC Indigo Global Corporate Bond Fund*	BlueBay \$U.S. Global Investment Grade Corporate Bond Fund (Canada)	
RBC Indigo Emerging Markets Debt Fund <sup>†</sup>	DDC Empering Markets Day 1 5	
RBC Indigo Emerging Markets Debt Pooled Fund <sup>†</sup>	RBC Emerging Markets Bond Fund	
RBC Indigo Monthly Income Fund*	Phillips, Hager & North Monthly Income Fund	
RBC Indigo U.S. Dollar Monthly Income Fund*	RBC U.S. Monthly Income Fund	
RBC Indigo Canadian Balanced Fund*	RBC Balanced Fund	
RBC Indigo Diversified Conservative Fund*	RBC Select Very Conservative Portfolio	
RBC Indigo Diversified Moderate Conservative Fund*	RBC Select Conservative Portfolio	

RBC Indigo Fund	RBC GAM Fund		
RBC Indigo Diversified Balanced Fund*	RBC Select Balanced Portfolio		
RBC Indigo Diversified Growth Fund*	RBC Select Growth Portfolio		
RBC Indigo Diversified Aggressive Growth Fund*	RBC Select Aggressive Growth Portfolio		
RBC Indigo Dividend Fund*	Phillips, Hager & North Dividend		
RBC Indigo Canadian Dividend Pooled Fund*			
RBC Indigo Equity Fund*	Phillips, Hager & North Canadian Equity Fund		
RBC Indigo Canadian Equity Pooled Fund*			
RBC Indigo Small Cap Growth Fund* <sup>†</sup>	RBC Canadian Mid-Cap Equity Fund		
RBC Indigo Canadian Small Cap Equity Pooled Fund* <sup>†</sup>			
RBC Indigo U.S. Equity Fund*	Phillips, Hager & North U.S.		
RBC Indigo U.S. Equity Pooled Fund*	Equity Fund		
RBC Indigo U.S. Equity Index Fund*	RBC U.S. Index Fund		
RBC Indigo International Equity Pooled Fund*	RBC International Equity Fund		
RBC Indigo European Fund*	RBC European Equity Fund		
RBC Indigo AsiaPacific Fund*	RBC Asia Pacific ex-Japan Equity Fund		
RBC Indigo Chinese Equity Fund <sup>†</sup>	RBC China Equity Fund		
RBC Indigo Emerging Markets Fund*			
RBC Indigo Emerging Markets Fund II*	RBC Emerging Markets Equity Fund		
RBC Indigo Emerging Markets Pooled Fund*			
RBC Indigo Emerging Markets Equity Index Fund*	RBC Emerging Markets Equity Index ETF Fund		
RBC Indigo Global Equity Fund*	RBC QUBE Global Equity Fund		
RBC Indigo Global Equity Volatility Focused Fund*	RBC QUBE Low Volatility Global Equity Fund		

<sup>\*</sup> Merger is to be carried out on a tax-deferred basis.

† The merger of the RBC Indigo Fund into the continuing RBC GAM Fund is subject to unitholder approval of the respective RBC Indigo Fund.