IA Clarington Real Return Bond Fund Series A, F, FX and L Units

Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

March 31, 2021

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Management Discussion of Fund Performance

The management discussion of fund performance for IA Clarington Real Return Bond Fund (the "Fund") represents management's view of the significant factors and developments affecting the Fund's performance and outlook for the 12-month period ended March 31, 2021. IA Clarington Investments Inc. is the manager (the "Manager") of the Fund.

Series FX of the Fund is closed to new investors. Investors who currently hold this series may purchase additional units.

Investment Objective and Strategies

The Fund's investment objective is to provide a regular level of income that is hedged against inflation by investing primarily in Canadian federal and provincial real return bonds that are indexed to the Canadian inflation rate.

The Fund's strategy is to invest primarily in debt securities with maturities in excess of 5 years and may invest in debt securities with shorter maturities, including securities with maturities less than 365 days. The Fund may invest up to 30% of its assets in foreign securities.

The Fund's Portfolio Manager is Industrial Alliance Investment Management Inc. ("IAIM" or the "Portfolio Manager" or the "fund manager").

Risk

The overall risk of investing in the Fund remains as described in the prospectus.

The Fund is suitable for investors seeking regular income, with a low to medium risk tolerance and planning to invest over the medium to long term.

Results of Operations

The Fund's Net Assets increased by 5.2% or \$0.3 million during the period, from \$5.8 million on March 31, 2020 to \$6.1 million on March 31, 2021. This change in Net Assets resulted from an increase of \$0.1 million due to net sales, a decrease of \$0.1 million due to distributions and an increase of \$0.3 million due to investment operations, including market volatility, income and expense.

The average Net Asset Value of the Fund decreased by 54.2% or \$7.7 million in comparison to the prior period, from \$14.2 million to \$6.5 million. Average Net Asset Value influence revenue earned and expenses incurred by the Fund during the period.

Series A units of the Fund returned 3.2% for the 12-month period ending March 31, 2021. The performance of the other series of the Fund is substantially similar, save for differences in fees and expense structure. Refer to the "Past Performance" section for performance information of each series.

The Fund's broad-based benchmark, the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index, returned 1.6% for the same 12-month period. The comparison to this broad-based index has been provided to help you understand the Fund's performance relative to the general performance of the Canadian bond market. The Fund's benchmark, which is the FTSE Canada Real Return Bond Index, returned 4.7% for the same period. This comparison to Fund performance is more useful, because it more closely reflects the asset classes in which the Fund invests. The Fund's return calculation for all series includes fees and expenses, which are not applicable in generating a return for the benchmark.

As a result of business closures and stay-at-home orders amid the global pandemic, the labour market experienced its worst monthly decline in history in March and April 2020. Canada's gross domestic product growth contracted at an annualized rate of nearly 40% in the second quarter of 2020 before rebounding by nearly 40% in the third quarter. Equity markets, despite the economic turmoil, reached new all-time highs during the year.

The U.S. economy is expected to grow by about 6.5% in 2021, driven by large fiscal stimulus packages, and is expected to create significant spillovers to its major trading partners. According to recent data, the size of the fiscal and monetary stimulus deployed by the world's governments and central banks in response to the pandemic approached US\$30 trillion by the end of the period.

Although the Canadian economy was put into partial lockdown, its economic recovery continued. Forecasters have revised expectations for the Canadian economy in 2021, with growth expected to reach 4.7%. The labour market provides a positive picture of the underlying strength of the Canadian economy. By the end of the period, Canada had regained approximately 80% of the jobs lost since February 2020, compared to 58% in the U.S.

Interest rates rose, putting pressure on bond prices. During the period, the Canadian bond market, as measured by the FTSE TMX Canada Universe Bond Index, returned 1.6%. The FTSE TMX Canada Short Term Bond Index returned 2.8% for the period, while the FTSE TMX Canada Long Term Bond Index returned 0.2% for the last 12 months.

Security selection contributed to the Fund's performance, particularly within short-term federal bonds. The main individual contributors to the Fund's performance were long-term Canadian real return bonds (RRB).

An overweight position in federal RRBs detracted from the Fund's performance as they underperformed their provincial counterparts. An underweight position in provincial RRBs issued by Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec detracted from performance as they generated attractive relative returns.

During the period, the fund manager added a new holding in Government of Canada (GoC) RRB (3.0%, 01/12/2036). The Fund is actively managed with numerous trades made throughout the year. Some trades relate to portfolio duration (sensitivity to interest rates) and repositioning between inflation-protected bonds and nominal bonds, while others are made in order to take profits. These trades include the increase of positions in GoC RRB (4.0%, 01/12/2031) and (0.50%, 01/12/2050) and the elimination of GoC (2.75%, 01/12/2048) and (3.50%, 01/12/2048) from the Fund. Three GoC RRBs (4.25%, 01/12/2021, 1.50%, 01/12/2044 and 4.25%, 01/12/2026) were trimmed in the Fund.

Recent Developments

In 2020, almost all asset classes had positive returns, but 2021 looks to be more volatile. The Canadian equity index had one of the best starts to 2021, driven by a rebound in sectors sensitive to economic growth. Rising interest rates are likely to be a key theme, with all indications that the upward movement could continue for some time. Interest rates have been kept at historically low levels by central banks over the past decade and the fiscal stimulus added to the global economy over the past 12 months may create favourable conditions for continued pressure on bond prices. That being said, since it is good economic news that is pushing up interest rates, it is reasonable to believe that equity markets should weather this bond market revaluation well.

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Recent Developments (continued)

With the current fiscal and monetary support in place, and the acceleration of the COVID-19 vaccination rollout, the fund manager believes that the risks of a return to recession are low.

Series I units of the Fund were terminated effective June 18, 2020. Subject to all applicable approvals, on or about August 27, 2021, the Fund will be merged with IA Wealth Core Bond Pool.

Certain series of the Fund, as applicable, may make distributions which the Manager may change from time to time. If the aggregate amount of distributions in such series exceeds the portion of net income and net realized capital gains allocated to such series, the excess will constitute a return of capital. The Manager does not believe that the return of capital distributions made by such series of the Fund have a meaningful impact on the Fund's ability to implement its investment strategy or to fulfill its investment objective.

Related Party Transactions

The Portfolio Manager is affiliated with the Manager as they are both under common control of Industrial Alliance Insurance and Financial Services Inc. ("Industrial Alliance").

For the provision of management services, the Manager received management fees from the Fund, based on the average Net Asset Values of the respective series. The management fees paid are disclosed in the financial statements.

The Manager paid the operating expenses of the Fund (the "Operating Expenses") in exchange for the payment by the Fund of a fixed rate administration fee (the "Administration Fee") to the Manager with respect to each series of the Fund, except for Series I and Series V, if applicable.

The Manager pays the operating expenses of the Fund, other than Fund Costs, in exchange for the payment by the Fund of a fixed rate administration fee (the "Administration Fee") to the Manager with respect to each series of the Fund, except for Series I and Series V, if applicable. The expenses charged to the Fund in respect of the Administration Fee are disclosed in the Fund's financial statements. The Administration Fee is equal to a specified percentage of the net asset value of a series, calculated and paid in the same manner as the management fees for the Fund. The Fund's most recent simplified prospectus contains further details about the Administration Fee.

In addition to the Administration Fee, each series of the Fund is responsible for its proportionate share of certain other operating expenses ("Fund Costs"). Further details about Fund Costs can be found in the Fund's most recent simplified prospectus. The Manager, at its sole discretion, may waive or absorb a portion of a series' expenses. These waivers or absorptions may be terminated at any time without notice.

During the 12-month period ended March 31, 2021, the Fund did not pay brokerage commissions to iA Private Wealth Inc. (formerly, Industrial Alliance Securities Inc.), a subsidiary of Industrial Alliance.

Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the periods indicated. The information in the following tables is based on prescribed regulations and as a result, is not expected to add down due to the increase (decrease) in net assets from operations being based on average units outstanding during the period and all other numbers being based on actual units outstanding at the relevant point in time. Footnotes for the tables are found at the end of the Financial Highlights section.

The Fund's Net Assets per Unit (\$)1						
Series A	03/31 2021	03/31 2020	03/31 2019	03/31 2018	03/31 2017	
Net Assets, beginning of period	10.74	10.98	11.04	11.12	11.51	
Increase (decrease) from operations:						
Total revenue	0.30	0.58	0.36	0.38	0.42	
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(0.16)	(0.16)	(0.15)	(0.16)	(0.16)	
Realized gains (losses) for the period	(0.01)	(0.11)	(0.12)	(0.32)	(0.02)	
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.19	0.64	0.07	0.27	(0.39)	
Total increase (decrease) from operations ²	0.32	0.95	0.16	0.17	(0.15)	
Distributions:						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(0.11)	(0.33)	(0.22)	(0.25)	(0.21)	
From dividends ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-	
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-	
Total distributions ³	(0.11)	(0.33)	(0.22)	(0.25)	(0.21)	
Net Assets, end of period	10.97	10.74	10.98	11.04	11.12	

The Fund's Net Assets per Unit (\$)¹						
Series F	03/31 2021	03/31 2020	03/31 2019	03/31 2018	03/31 2017	
Net Assets, beginning of period	10.18	10.35	10.37	10.00	-	
Increase (decrease) from operations:						
Total revenue	0.32	0.44	0.27	0.19	-	
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(0.10)	(0.09)	(0.09)	(0.05)	-	
Realized gains (losses) for the period	(0.07)	(0.15)	(0.14)	(0.01)	-	
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(0.51)	(0.53)	0.19	0.01	-	
Total increase (decrease) from operations ²	(0.36)	(0.33)	0.23	0.14	-	
Distributions:						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(0.11)	(0.31)	(0.26)	(0.24)	-	
From dividends ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-	
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-	
Total distributions ³	(0.11)	(0.31)	(0.26)	(0.24)	-	
Net Assets, end of period	10.45	10.18	10.35	10.37	-	

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Financial Highlights (continued)

The Fund's Net Assets per Unit (\$)1						
Series FX	03/31 2021	03/31 2020	03/31 2019	03/31 2018	03/31 2017	
Net Assets, beginning of period	10.47	10.74	10.78	10.86	11.25	
Increase (decrease) from operations:						
Total revenue	0.28	0.50	0.38	0.37	0.42	
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(80.0)	(0.08)	(0.08)	(0.08)	(0.09)	
Realized gains (losses) for the period	(0.01)	(0.14)	(0.13)	(0.33)	(0.03)	
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.26	0.12	0.01	0.18	(0.37)	
Total increase (decrease) from operations ²	0.45	0.40	0.18	0.14	(0.07)	
Distributions:						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(0.18)	(0.42)	(0.31)	(0.14)	(0.28)	
From dividends ⁴	-	(0.01)	-	-	-	
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-	
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-	
Total distributions ³	(0.18)	(0.43)	(0.31)	(0.14)	(0.28)	
Net Assets, end of period	10.71	10.47	10.74	10.78	10.86	

The Fund's Net Assets per Unit (\$) ¹						
Series L	03/31 2021	03/31 2020	03/31 2019	03/31 2018	03/31 2017	
Net Assets, beginning of period	10.92	11.13	11.18	11.27	11.67	
Increase (decrease) from operations:						
Total revenue	0.31	0.43	0.40	0.38	0.40	
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(0.17)	(0.16)	(0.16)	(0.16)	(0.17	
Realized gains (losses) for the period	(0.03)	(0.55)	(0.17)	(0.33)	(0.10	
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(0.10)	(0.18)	(0.16)	0.32	(0.55	
Total increase (decrease) from operations ²	0.01	(0.46)	(0.09)	0.21	(0.42	
Distributions: From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(0.12)	(0.27)	(0.24)	(0.26)	(0.21	
From dividends ⁴	-	-	-	-		
From capital gains	-	-	-	-		
Return of capital	-	-	-	-		
Total distributions ³	(0.12)	(0.27)	(0.24)	(0.26)	(0.21	
Net Assets, end of period	11.16	10.92	11.13	11.18	11.27	

- 1 The per unit data is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). Under IFRS, the Net Assets per unit presented in the financial statements is the same as the Net Asset Value calculated for fund pricing purposes.
- 2 Net Assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period. This table is not intended to be a reconciliation of beginning to ending net assets per unit.
- 3 Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.
- 4 Dividends qualified for Canadian dividend tax credit, when applicable.

Ratios and Supplemental Data								
Series A	03/31 2021	03/31 2020	03/31 2019	03/31 2018	03/31 2017			
Total NAV (\$) (000's) ¹	5,088	5,114	15,671	17,676	22,118			
Number of units outstanding (000's) ¹	464	476	1,427	1,602	1,989			
Management expense ratio (%) ^{2, 3}	1.40	1.41	1.41	1.42	1.42			
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) ^{2,3,4}	1.40	1.41	1.41	1.42	1.42			
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁵	-	-	-	-	-			
Portfolio turnover rate (%)6	66.30	83.62	71.04	112.66	71.75			
NAV per unit (\$)1	10.97	10.74	10.98	11.03	11.12			

Ratios and Supplemental Data								
Series F	03/31 2021	03/31 2020	03/31 2019	03/31 2018	03/31 2017			
Total NAV (\$) (000's) ¹	517	229	69	17	-			
Number of units outstanding (000's) ¹	49	22	7	2	-			
Management expense ratio (%) ^{2, 3}	0.89	0.85	0.90	0.91	-			
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) ^{2,3,4}	0.89	0.85	0.90	0.91	-			
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁵	-	-	-	-	-			
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁶	66.30	83.62	71.04	112.66	-			
NAV per unit (\$) ¹	10.45	10.18	10.35	10.37	-			

Ratios and Supplemental Data								
Series FX	03/31 2021	03/31 2020	03/31 2019	03/31 2018	03/31 2017			
Total NAV (\$) (000's) ¹	432	458	836	1,278	1,911			
Number of units outstanding (000's) ¹	40	44	78	119	176			
Management expense ratio (%) ^{2, 3}	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.77	0.76			
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) ^{2,3,4}	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.77	0.76			
Trading expense ratio (%)⁵	-	-	-	-	-			
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁶	66.30	83.62	71.04	112.66	71.75			
NAV per unit (\$)¹	10.71	10.47	10.74	10.77	10.86			

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Financial Highlights (continued)

Ratios and Supplemental Data								
Series L	03/31 2021	03/31 2020	03/31 2019	03/31 2018	03/31 2017			
Total NAV (\$) (000's)1	43	43	31	73	109			
Number of units outstanding (000's) ¹	4	4	3	7	10			
Management expense ratio (%) ^{2, 3}	1.44	1.44	1.45	1.41	1.42			
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) ^{2,3,4}	1.44	1.44	1.45	1.41	1.42			
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁵	-	-	-	-	-			
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁶	66.30	83.62	71.04	112.66	71.75			
NAV per unit (\$)1	11.16	10.92	11.13	11.18	11.27			

- 1 This information is provided as at each period shown.
- 2 Management expense ratios are based on total expenses (excluding distributions, commissions, withholding taxes and other portfolio transaction costs) and a proportion of underlying fund expenses (mutual funds & ETFs), where applicable, of each series for the stated period and are expressed as an annualized percentage of each series' daily average NAV during the period.
- 3 The annual Management Fees and Fixed Administration Fees net of waivers, if any, excluding HST, for the Fund were 1.26% for Series A, 0.80% for Series F, 0.67% for Series FX and 1.27% for Series L.
- 4 At its sole discretion, the Manager may have waived management fees or absorbed expenses of the Fund.
- 5 The trading expense ratio represents total commissions incurred directly or indirectly by way of an underlying fund, as applicable, and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of the Fund's daily average NAV during the period.
- 6 The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the fund manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the period. There is not necessarily a relationship or correlation between a high turnover rate and the performance of a Fund. The value of any trades to realign the Fund's portfolio after a fund merger, if any, is excluded from the portfolio turnover rate.

Management Fees

Management fees paid by the Fund per series are based on applying the annual management fee rate per series to the daily average NAV of each series and are recorded on an accrual basis.

The following is a breakdown of major services received by the Fund in consideration of the management fees for the period, as a percentage of the management fee:

Management Fees (%)							
Series	Trailer commissions	Other					
Series A							
FE	48	52					
LL First 3 years	24	76					
LL After 3 years	48	52					
DSC First 7 years	24	76					
DSC After 7 years	48	52					
Series F and FX	-	100					
Series L							
ASC First year	-	100					
ASC Year 2 and 3	24	76					
ASC After 3 years	48	52					

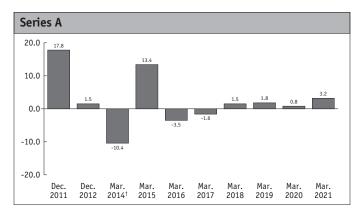
FE - front end; LL - low load; DSC - deferred sales charge; ASC - advisor service charge Other - includes general administration, investment advice and profit.

Past Performance

The performance information shown (based on NAV) assumes that all distributions made by the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional units of the Fund. The performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges, or income taxes payable by any investor that would have reduced returns or performance. How the Fund has performed in the past does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

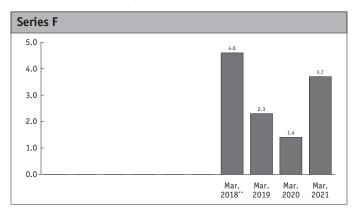
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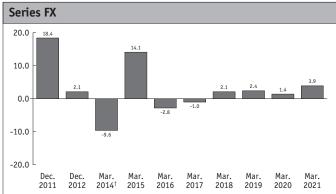
The bar charts show the Fund's performance for each of the periods indicated. The charts show, in percentage terms, how an investment made on the first day of each period would have increased or decreased by the last day of the period presented.

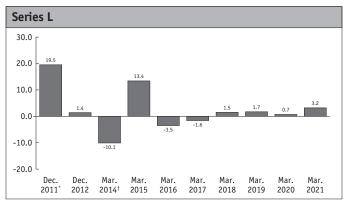


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Past Performance (continued)







^{*} Return shown is for the partial period ended December 31.

Annual Compound Returns

The tables show the annual compound returns for the Fund compared to the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index (the "Broad-based Index") and the benchmark index (the "Benchmark Index") which consists of the FTSE Canada Real Return Bond Index for the periods ended March 31, 2021.

Annual Compound Returns, Series A							
Percentage (%)	Past 10 years	Past 5 years	Past 3 years	Past 1 Year			
Series A	2.1	1.1	1.9	3.2			
Broad-based Index	4.0	2.8	3.8	1.6			
Benchmark Index	3.7	2.8	3.7	4.7			

Annual Compound Returns, Series F							
Percentage (%)	Since Sep.5/17	Past 3 years	Past 1 Year				
Series F	3.4	2.5	3.7				
Broad-based Index	3.8	3.8	1.6				
Benchmark Index	4.6	3.7	4.7				

Annual Compound Returns, Series FX							
Percentage (%)	Past 10 years	Past 5 years	Past 3 years	Past 1 Year			
Series FX	2.8	1.8	2.6	3.9			
Broad-based Index	4.0	2.8	3.8	1.6			
Benchmark Index	3.7	2.8	3.7	4.7			

Annual Compound Returns, Series L					
Percentage (%)	Past 10 years	Past 5 years	Past 3 years	Past 1 Year	
Series L	2.2	1.1	1.9	3.2	
Broad-based Index	4.0	2.8	3.8	1.6	
Benchmark Index	3.7	2.8	3.7	4.7	

The FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index is comprised of Canadian investment grade bonds and has significantly different portfolio duration characteristics. The FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index consists of a broadly diversified selection of investment-grade Government of Canada, provincial, corporate and municipal bonds issued domestically in Canada.

The FTSE Canada Real Return Bond Index is designed to track the inflation-indexed Real Return Bond segment of the Canadian fixed income market. Returns are calculated daily, and are weighted by market capitalization, so that the return on a bond influences the return on the index in proportion to the bond's market value.

A discussion of the performance of the Fund as compared to the Benchmark Index is found in the "Results of Operations" section of this report.

^{**} Return shown is for the partial period ended March 31.

[†] Return shown is for the 15-month period ended March 31, 2014.

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Summary of Investment Portfolio

As at March 31, 2021

The summary of investment portfolio shown, as a percentage of total NAV, may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund and a quarterly update is available on the Manager's website.

Sector Allocation	%
Federal Government Bonds	97.52
Cash and Other Net Assets	2.48
	100.00

The top positions held by the Fund (up to 25) as shown as a percentage of the total NAV:

Top Holdings	%
Government of Canada, Real Return Bond, 2.000%, 2041-12-01	16.07
Government of Canada, Real Return Bond, 4.250%, 2026-12-01	14.49
Government of Canada, Real Return Bond, 1.500%, 2044-12-01	14.34
Government of Canada, Real Return Bond, 3.000%, 2036-12-01	12.63
Government of Canada, Real Return Bond, 4.000%, 2031-12-01	12.37
Government of Canada, Real Return Bond, 1.250%, 2047-12-01	11.83
Government of Canada, Real Return Bond, 0.500%, 2050-12-01	10.38
Government of Canada, Real Return Bond, 4.250%, 2021-12-01	5.41
Cash and Other Net Assets	2.48

You can obtain the prospectus and other information on the investment funds in which the Fund invests, if any, at www.sedar.com (for Canadian investment funds) and www.sec.gov/edgar (for U.S. investment funds).

Forward-Looking Statements

This management report of fund performance may contain forward-looking statements which reflect the current expectations of the Manager (or, where indicated, the Portfolio Manager or Portfolio Sub-Advisor or fund manager) regarding the Fund's future growth, results of operations, performance and business prospects and opportunities. These statements reflect the current beliefs of the person to which the statements are attributed with respect to future events and are based on information currently available to that person. Forward looking statements involve significant risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Many factors could cause the Fund's actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements that may be expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. These factors could include, among other things, general economic, political and market factors, including interest and foreign exchange rates, business competition, changes in government regulations or in tax laws. Please refer to the prospectus for a discussion of some specific risks that are associated with mutual funds. Although the forward-looking statements contained in this report are based upon what management currently believes to be reasonable assumptions, the Manager cannot assure current or prospective investors that actual results, performance or achievements will be consistent with these forward-looking statements.

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