

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

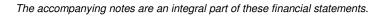
# **Global Telecom & Utilities Income Fund**

June 30, 2019



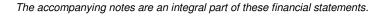


STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Unaudited)		
As at	June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Assets		
Current assets		
Investments	\$ 3,461,335 \$	3,334,302
Cash	51,475	250,235
Dividends and other receivables	35,160	29,600
	3,547,970	3,614,137
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Borrowings (Note 9)	-	50,949
Distributions payable (Note 4)	24,929	24,929
Interest payable (Note 9)	-	127
	24,929	76,005
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	\$ 3,523,041 \$	3,538,132
Number of redeemable units outstanding (Note 4)	415,484	415,484
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit	\$ 8.48 \$	8.52



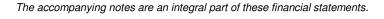


STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) (Unaudited)				
For the period ended June 30,		2019		2018
Income				
Net gain (loss) on investments				
Dividends	\$	107,454	\$	98,259
Net realized gain (loss) on investments		(644)		(8,608)
Net realized gain (loss) on foreign exchange		(156)		(235)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments		126,967		11,681
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of foreign exchange		(1,807)		1,379
Net gain (loss) on investments		231,814		102,476
Total income (net)	\$	231,814	\$	102,476
Expenses (Note 6) Management fees	\$	25,171	\$	27,055
Service fees	Ф	7,667	Ф	8,412
Withholding taxes		11,125		14,145
Unitholder reporting costs		6,063		4,402
Audit fees		2.662		2.001
Transfer agency fees		4,940		3,857
Custodian fees and bank charges		13,261		7,872
Independent Review Committee fees		163		194
Filing fees		21,881		21,457
Legal fees		4,243		5,633
Interest expense (Note 9)		155		336
Transaction costs (Note 8)		-		24
Total expenses	\$	97,331	\$	95,388
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	\$	134,483	\$	7,088
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit (Note 4)	\$	0.32	\$	0.02





STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDERS OF REDEEMABLE UNITS		
(Unaudited)		
For the period ended June 30,	2019	2018
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units beginning of period	\$ 3,538,132	\$ 3,972,145
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	\$ 134,483	\$ 7,088
Redeemable unit transactions		
Redemption and cancellation of redeemable units	-	-
Net unitholders' transactions	\$	\$ -
Distributions to holders of redeemable units		
Net investment income	(149,574)	(154,506)
Total distributions to unitholders	\$ (149,574)	\$ (154,506)
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units end of period	\$ 3,523,041	\$ 3,824,727





STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)		
For the period ended June 30,	2019	2018
Operating activities	2019	2010
operating activities		
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	\$ 134,483	\$ 7,088
Add (deduct) items not affecting cash:		
Net realized (gain) loss on sale of investments	644	8,608
Change in unrealized (appreciation) depreciation of investments	(126,967)	(11,681)
Change in unrealized (appreciation) depreciation of foreign exchange	1,807	(1,379)
Proceeds from sale of investments	2,929	36,797
Purchases of investments	(3,639)	(3,321)
Net change in non-cash assets and liabilities	(7,494)	27,449
Net cash flow provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 1,763	\$ 63,561
Financing activities		
Borrowings drawn down (repaid)	(50,949)	50,000
Distributions paid to holders of redeemable units	(149,574)	(154,506)
Net cash flow provided by (used in) financing activities	\$ (200,523)	\$ (104,506)
Net increase (decrease) in cash during the period	(198,760)	(40,945)
Cash, beginning of the period	250,235	54,340
Cash, end of the period	\$ 51,475	\$ 13,395
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information		
Dividends received, net of withholding taxes*	\$ 90,769	\$ 106,711
Interest paid during the year*	155	336

<sup>\*</sup>included in operating activities



SCHEDULE (Unaudited)	OF INVESTMENTS			
As at June 3	30, 2019			
Number of shares	Security	Average Cost (\$)	Carrying Value (\$)	% of Net Assets
	EQUITIES	, ,	` '	
	Energy			
2,675	Inter Pipeline Ltd.	58,690	54,490	1.5
2,200	TC Energy Corporation	138,415	142,824	4.1
		197,105	197,314	5.6
	Communication Services			
2,900	AT&T Inc.	137,948	127,261	3.6
6,150	Deutsche Telekom AG	150,534	139,310	4.0
20,550	Mediaset S.p.A.	120,597	87,977	2.5
3,300	ProSiebenSat.1 Media SE	236,830	67,887	1.9
55,000	Spark New Zealand Limited	162,117	193,546	5.5
59,000	Telecom Italia S.p.A.	101,782	42,189	1.2
6,600	Telefonica, S.A.	106,467	70,968	2.0
11,450	Telia Company AB	77,503	66,590	1.9
2,000	TELUS Corporation	81,240	96,820	2.7
2,299	Verizon Communications Inc.	147,858	171,999	4.9
4,900	Vivendi S.A.	142,628	176,649	5.0
28,127	Vodafone Group PLC	124,175	60,492	1.7
		1,589,679	1,301,688	36.9
	Utilities			
1,300	Ameren Corporation	77,299	127,868	3.6
1,050	Duke Energy Corporation	101,679	121,333	3.4
4,250	E.ON SE	53,458	60,445	1.7
28,800	EDP - Energias de Portugal, S.A.	134,145	143,324	4.1
4,150	Endesa S.A.	116,652	139,724	4.0
2,650	ENGIE S.A.	64,243	52,641	1.5
15,861	Iberdrola, S.A.	145,465	207,039	5.9
10,495	National Grid PLC	217,389	145,879	4.1
6,250	Naturgy Energy Group, S.A.	181,498	225,504	6.4
2,800	PPL Corporation	130,984	113,706	3.2
3,010	RWE AG	50,241	97,128	2.8
5,100	SSE PLC	155,005	95,164	2.7
18,800	Terna S.p.A.	131,892	156,771	4.5
9,450	United Utilities Group PLC	183,798	123,024	3.5
4,790	Veolia Environnement S.A.	158,562	152,783	4.3
		1,902,310	1,962,333	55.7
	Total investments	3,689,094	3,461,335	98.2
	Other assets less liabilities		61,706	1.8
	Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units		3,523,041	100.0



# NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

June 30, 2019

## 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Global Telecom & Utilities Income Fund (the "Fund") is an investment trust established under the laws of the Province of Ontario pursuant to a Declaration of Trust dated February 25, 2011 and as amended and restated, being the inception date. There was no significant activity in the Fund from the date of inception to commencement of operations on March 23, 2011. On March 23, 2011, the Fund completed an initial public offering of 2,600,000 units at \$12.00 per unit for gross proceeds of \$31,200,000. On April 6, 2011, an over-allotment option was exercised for an additional 123,662 units at a price of \$12.00 per unit for gross proceeds of \$1,483,944. The address of the Fund's registered office is 710 Dorval Drive, Oakville, Ontario, L6K 3V7.

The Fund's investment objectives are to provide unitholders with monthly distributions and capital appreciation. Up until December 16, 2015 the investment objectives were to provide tax-advantaged month distributions by way of an investment strategy where the Fund provides exposure, through a forward agreement (the "Forward Agreement"), to the return, in Canadian dollars, of the underlying performance of the GTU Portfolio Trust (the "GTU Trust"). The GTU Trust portfolio was an actively managed portfolio comprised primarily of equity securities of Global Telecom Issuers and Global Utilities Issuers. On December 16, 2015 the Forward Agreement was terminated and subsequently the Fund owns the equity securities directly.

On June 22, 2016, the Fund changed its name from Global Advantaged Telecom & Utilities Income Fund to Global Telecom & Utilities Income Fund. No changes were made to the investment objective, strategies or management of the Fund.

#### 2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements, including International Accounting Standard 34, Interim Financial Reporting. These interim financial statements were authorized for issue by Harvest Portfolios Group Inc. (the "Manager") on August 16, 2019.

#### 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Financial instruments**

The Fund recognizes financial instruments at fair value upon initial recognition, plus transaction costs in the case of financial instruments not measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"). Transaction costs on financial assets and liabilities at FVTPL are expensed as incurred. Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognized at their trade date. The Fund's investments and derivative assets and liabilities are measured at FVTPL based on its business model. The Fund's obligation for net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units is presented at the redemption amount, which approximates fair value. All other financial assets and liabilities are measured at amortized cost. Under this method, financial assets and liabilities reflect the amount required to be received or paid. Carrying values of other financial assets and liabilities at amortized cost approximate their fair values due to the short term to maturity. The Fund's accounting policies for measuring the fair value of its investments and derivatives are identical to those used in measuring its net asset value (NAV) for transactions with unitholders. As at June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018 there were no differences between the Fund's NAV per security and its net assets per security calculated in accordance with IFRS 9.

#### Fair value of investments

Investments that are traded in an active market are valued at their closing prices through recognized public stock exchanges or through recognized investment dealers on the valuation date. The Fund uses the last traded market price that falls within the bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager determines the point within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of fair value based on specific facts and circumstances. Investments held include equities.

Investments held that are not traded in an active market are valued using valuation techniques, on such basis and in such a manner established by the Manager. The value of any security for which, in the opinion of the Manager, the published market quotations are not readily available shall be the fair value as determined by the Manager. The fair values of certain securities may be determined using valuation models that are based, in part, on assumptions that are not supported by observable market inputs. These methods and procedures may include, but are not limited to, performing comparisons with prices of comparable or similar securities, obtaining valuation related information from issuers and/or other analytical data relating to the investment and using other available indication of value. These values are independently assessed internally to ensure that they are reasonable. However, because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, the estimated fair values for the



aforementioned securities and interests may be materially different from the values that would be used had a ready market for the security existed. The fair values of such securities are affected by the perceived credit risks of the issuer, predictability of cash flows and length of time to maturity.

#### Classification of redeemable units

Under IFRS, IAS 32 Financial Instruments – Presentation requires that units or shares of an entity which include a contractual obligation for the issuer to repurchase or redeem them for cash or another financial asset be classified as a financial liability unless certain criteria are met. In addition to the annual redemption at 100% of NAV, the Fund's units are redeemable at 95% of their market price monthly. As a result, the Fund's units contain multiple contractual obligations and are presented as financial liabilities on transition to IFRS as they do not meet the criteria for classification as equity.

#### Cash

Cash is comprised of cash on deposit.

#### Investment transactions and income recognition

Net realized gain (loss) on investments and net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments are determined on an average cost basis. Dividend income is accounted for on the ex-dividend date. The cost of investments is determined using the average cost method.

#### Foreign currency translation

The Fund's subscriptions and redemptions are predominately denominated in Canadian dollars which is also the Fund's functional and presentation currency. Purchases and sales of investments denominated in foreign currencies and foreign currency dividend and interest income are translated into Canadian dollars at the rate of exchange prevailing at the time of the transactions. Realized and unrealized foreign currency gains or (losses) on investments are included in the Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss) in "Net realized gain (loss) on sale of investments" and "Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments", respectively. Realized and unrealized foreign currency gains or losses on assets and liabilities, other than investments, denominated in foreign currencies are included in the Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss) in "Net realized gain (loss) on foreign exchange" and "Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of foreign exchange", respectively. Foreign currency assets and liabilities in the Statements of Financial Position are translated into Canadian dollars on the statement date.

#### Redeemable units valuation

The NAV on a particular date will be equal to the aggregate value of the assets of the Fund less the aggregate value of the liabilities of the Fund, expressed in Canadian dollars at the applicable exchange rate on such date. The NAV and NAV per unit will be calculated on each Thursday during the year (or, if a Thursday is not a Business Day, the Business Day following such Thursday) and on the last Business Day of each month, and any other time as may be determined by the Manager from time to time. "Business Day" means any day on which the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") is open for trading.

#### Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit

"Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit" in the Statements of Comprehensive Income represents the increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units, divided by the weighted average units outstanding for the financial year.

#### Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The preparation of financial statements requires management to use judgment in applying its accounting policies and to make estimates and assumptions about the future. The following discusses the most significant accounting judgments and estimates that the Fund has made in preparing the financial statements:

- a) Fair value measurement of derivatives and securities not quoted in an active market
  - The Fund may hold financial instruments that are not quoted in active markets, including derivatives. Fair values of such instruments are determined using valuation techniques and may be determined using reputable pricing sources (such as pricing agencies) or indicative prices from market makers. Broker quotes as obtained from the pricing sources may be indicative and not executable or binding. Refer to Note 6 for further information about the fair value measurement of the Fund's financial instruments.
- b) Classification and measurement of investments and derivatives under IFRS 9

In classifying and measuring financial instruments held by the Fund, the Manager is required to make significant judgments about the business model in which the portfolio of investments and derivatives is held. The Manager has determined that the Fund's business model is one in which its portfolio is managed and performance evaluated on a fair value basis under IFRS 9.



#### 4. REDEEMABLE UNITS

The authorized capital of the Fund consists of an unlimited number of transferable units of one class representing an equal, undivided interest in the net assets of the Fund. Except as provided in the Declaration of Trust, all units have equal rights and privileges. Each whole unit is entitled to one vote at all meetings of unitholders and is entitled to participate equally in any and all distributions made by the Fund. The units trade on the TSX under the symbol HGI.UN. As at June 30, 2019, the closing price for the units was \$8.75 per unit (December 31, 2018 - \$8.12 per unit).

## Redemptions

Units may be surrendered prior to 5:00 p.m. (Toronto time) on the 10<sup>th</sup> Business Day before the last Business Day of the applicable month by the holders for monthly redemption. Upon receipt by the Fund of the redemption notice the holder of a unit shall be entitled to receive a price per unit equal to the lesser of:

- a) 95% of the "market price" of the units on the principal market on which the units are quoted for trading during the 20-trading day period ending immediately before the monthly redemption date; and
- b) 100% of the "closing market price" on the principal market on which the units are quoted for trading on the monthly redemption date.

Notwithstanding the monthly redemption price formula above, at no time will the Fund pay out redemption proceeds greater than the NAV per Unit as determined on the monthly redemption date for each Unit being redeemed.

In accordance with the Fund prospectus, in addition to the monthly redemption rights, on an annual basis, units may be surrendered for redemption at the Fund's NAV per unit, subject to the required redemption notice period, in August and the unitholder will receive payment on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> Business Day of the following month.

The following units were redeemed and/or cancelled during the period:

	Trust units outstanding
Total outstanding as at January 1, 2018	429,184
Redeemable units redeemed	-
Total outstanding as at June 30, 2018	429,184
Total outstanding as at January 1, 2019	415,484
Redeemable units redeemed	-
Total outstanding as at June 30, 2019	415,484

The weighted average number of units outstanding during the period ended June 30, 2019 was 415,484 units (2018 – 429,184 units).

#### **Distributions**

The Fund intends to make monthly cash distributions to unitholders of record on the last Business Day of each month and pay such cash distributions on or before the 15th day of the following month. The Fund will annually determine and announce the indicative distribution amount for the following year based upon the prevailing market conditions. The distribution amount paid was \$149,574 for the period ended June 30, 2019 (2018 – \$154,506).

#### 5. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND OTHER EXPENSES

#### Management and service fees

The Manager is responsible for managing the Fund's overall business and operations and provides key management personnel to the Fund. The Fund pays its manager, Harvest, a management fee from the Fund of 1.25% per annum of the applicable average weekly NAV calculated and payable monthly in arrears, plus applicable taxes.

The Fund also pays service fees to registered dealers at the rate on 0.40%, plus applicable taxes, of the average weekly NAV of the Fund. Service fees are accrued daily and paid monthly to the manager, who in turn pays the dealers quarterly.

#### Operating expenses

The Fund is responsible for operating expenses relating to the carrying on of its business, including custodial services, interest, taxes, legal, audit fees, transfer agency services relating to the issue and redemption of units, and the cost of financial and other reports, costs and expenses for the Fund's Independent Review Committee ("IRC"), including fees and expenses of the IRC members and compliance with applicable laws, regulations and policies. The Manager pays for such



expenses on behalf of the Fund, except for certain expenses such as interest which are paid directly by the Fund and is then reimbursed by the Fund.

#### Other expenses

The Manager will be reimbursed by the Fund for all reasonable costs, expenses and liabilities incurred by the Manager for performance of services on behalf of the Fund in connection with the discharge by the Manager of its duties hereunder. Such costs and expenses may include, without limitation: mailing and printing expenses for reports to Unitholders and other Unitholder communications; a reasonable allocation of salaries and benefits; and other administrative expenses and costs incurred in connection with the Fund's continuous public offering and other obligations. These expenses are allocated by the Manager on a reasonable basis, across all of the Harvest Portfolios Group Inc. funds, and series of each applicable fund. These expenses were \$1,562 for the period ended June 30, 2019 (2018 - \$2,300) and are included in the unitholder reporting costs in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

#### Waivers and absorptions

At its sole discretion, the Manager may waive management fees or absorb expenses of the Fund. There were no management fee waivers or expense absorptions for the period ended June 30, 2019 or 2018. The Manager may cease doing so at any time without notice to unitholders.

#### 6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Investment activities of the Fund expose it to a variety of financial risks: credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk (including interest rate risk, other price risk and currency risk). The Manager seeks to minimize these risks by employing experienced portfolio managers that will manage the security portfolios of the Fund on a daily basis according to market events and the investment objectives of the Fund. To assist in managing risk, the Manager also maintains a governance structure that oversees the Fund's investment activities and monitors compliance with the Fund's stated investment strategy and securities regulations.

#### Other price risk

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. The value of securities in the Fund's portfolio may be affected by the stock market conditions rather than each company's performance. Developments in the market are affected by general economic and financial conditions. Political, social and environmental factors can also affect the value of any investment.

As at June 30, 2019, 98.2% (December 31, 2018 – 94.2%) of the Fund's net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units were traded on public stock exchanges. If equity prices on these exchanges had increased or decreased by 5%, as at period end, with all other factors remaining constant, net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units of the Fund would have increased or decreased by approximately \$ 173,067 (December 31, 2018 - \$166,715).

In practice, the actual trading results may differ, and the difference could be material.

#### **Currency risk**

Currency risk is the risk that the value of investments denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the Fund will fluctuate as a result of changes in foreign exchange rates. When a Fund, buys an investment priced in a foreign currency and the exchange rate between the Canadian dollar and the foreign currency changes unfavorably, it could reduce the value of the Fund's investment.

As at June 30, 2019					
Currency	Currency exposure (\$)*	As a % of net assets			
U.S. Dollar	663,422	18.8			
Euro	1,821,040	51.7			
New Zealand Dollar	193,546	5.5			
Pound	433,739	12.3			
Swedish Krona	66,590	1.9			
Totals	3,178,337	90.2			

\*In Canadian dollars



As at December 31, 2018					
Currency	Currency exposure (\$)*	As a % of net assets			
U.S. Dollar	639,651	18.1			
Euro	1,733,620	49.0			
New Zealand Dollar	209,151	5.9			
Pound Sterling	441,035	12.5			
Swedish Krona	74,040	2.1			
Totals	3,097,497	87.6			

<sup>\*</sup>In Canadian dollars

The non-monetary currency exposure was \$3,167,201 (December 31, 2018 - \$3,084,818) and the monetary currency exposure is \$11,136 (December 31, 2018 - \$12,679).

As at June 30, 2019, if the Canadian dollar had strengthened or weakened by 5% in relation to all foreign currencies, with all other variables held constant, the Fund's net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units would have decreased or increased, respectively, by approximately \$158,917 (December 31, 2018 - \$154,875) or 4.5% (December 31, 2018 - 4.4%). In practice, the actual results may differ from this sensitivity analysis and the difference could be material.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect future cash flows or fair value of financial instruments. Interest rate risk arises when the Fund invests in interest-bearing financial instruments. The Fund does not hold any bonds or money market instruments; therefore, the Fund has no significant exposure to interest rate risk.

The Fund paid back its loan during the period and had no exposure to the risks associated with fluctuations in interest rates on its cash flows as at June 30, 2019. As at December 31, 2018, the Fund had net borrowing of \$50,949 and if interest rates were to change by 1.0%, the interest expense in the Fund could increase (decrease) on an annual basis by \$509.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that a fund may not be able to settle or meet its obligations on time or at a reasonable price. The Fund is exposed to redemption of units as described in Note 4. However, the Manager does not expect that the contractual maturity will be representative of the actual cash outflows as holders of those units typically retain them for a longer period. Therefore, in order to maintain sufficient liquidity, the Fund primarily invest in securities that are actively traded in public markets and can be readily disposed of to raise liquidity.

As at June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, all the Fund's financial liabilities had maturities of less than three months.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Fund.

All transactions executed by the Fund in listed securities are settled/paid for upon delivery using approved brokers. The risk of default is considered minimal, as delivery of securities sold is only made once the broker has received payment. Payment is made on a purchase once the securities have been received by the broker. The trade will fail if either party fails to meet its obligation.

As at June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, the Fund did not have significant credit risk exposure. All cash held by the fund is held with a reputable and regulated financial institution.

#### Fair value of financial instruments

The Fund classifies fair value measurements within a hierarchy which gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date:

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and

Level 3: Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data.



The table below summarizes the fair value of the Fund's financial instruments using the following fair value hierarchy:

Transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy are deemed to have occurred at the beginning of the reporting period.

Securities classification:

Investments at fair value as at June 30, 2019					
	Level 1 (\$)	Level 2 (\$)	Level 3 (\$)	Totals (\$)	
Financial Assets					
Equities					
Common Shares	3,461,335	-	-	3,461,335	
Total Financial Assets	3,461,335	-	-	3,461,335	

Investments at fair value as at December 31, 2018					
	Level 1 (\$)	Level 2 (\$)	Level 3 (\$)	Totals (\$)	
Financial Assets					
Equities					
Common Shares	3,334,302	-	-	3,334,302	
Total Financial Assets	3,334,302	-	-	3,334,302	

There were no Level 3 securities held by the Fund as at June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018 there were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 for the period ended June 30, 2019 and 2018.

#### **Concentration Risk**

Concentration risk arises as a result of the concentration of exposures within the same category, whether it is geographical location, product type, industry, sector or counterparty type. The following is a summary of the Fund's concentration risk by country and industry in which the companies held in the portfolio operate. The prior year presentation has been updated to conform to the current year methodology of presenting the concentration risk based on the country of risk.

# Geography:

As at	June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
	% of net assets	% of net assets
United States	18.8	18.0
Spain	18.3	16.8
United Kingdom	12.0	12.2
France	10.8	9.9
Germany	10.4	10.5
Canada	8.3	7.0
Italy	8.1	7.9
New Zealand	5.5	5.9
Portugal	4.1	3.9
Sweden	1.9	2.1
Cash and other assets and liabilities	1.8	5.8
Totals	100.0	100.0



#### Market Segment:

As at	June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
	% of net assets	% of net assets
EQUITIES		
Utilities	55.7	52.0
Communication Services	36.9	37.7
Energy	5.6	4.5
Cash and other assets and liabilities	1.8	5.8
Total	100.0	100.0

#### 7. TAXATION

The Fund qualifies as a mutual fund trust under the Income Tax Act (Canada). For tax purposes, the Fund will elect in 2019 to have a December 15 year end. In previous years, the Fund had a December 31 year end. All of the Fund's net income for tax purposes and sufficient net capital gains realized in any period are required to be distributed to unitholders such that no income tax is payable by the Fund. As a result, the Fund does not record income taxes. Since the Fund does 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. Capital losses may be carried forward indefinitely to reduce future realized capital gains. Non-capital losses may be carried forward for 20 years and applied against future taxable income.

As at the last taxation year end, the Fund had \$335,645 of capital losses, which can be carried forward indefinitely and applied against future capital gains. Non-capital losses are available to offset against income in future years and have been carried forward as follows:

Year of Expiry	Amount (\$)
2032	835,613
2033	801,523
2036	134,945

The Fund may incur withholding taxes imposed by certain countries on investment income and capital gains. Such income and gains are recorded on a gross basis and the related withholding taxes are shown as a separate expense in the Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss).

As the Manager is a resident of Ontario, the expenses paid by the Fund generally include HST of 13%. HST is calculated using the residency of unitholders in the Fund as at specific times, rather than the physical location of the Manager. A blended rate refund is filed with the Canada Revenue Agency on behalf of the Fund, in arrears, using each province's HST rate or GST rate in the case of non-participating provinces.

## 8. SOFT DOLLAR COMMISSIONS

Brokerage commissions paid to certain brokers may, in addition to paying for the cost of brokerage services in respect of security transactions, also provide for the cost of investment research services provided to the investment manager. The value of such research services included in commissions paid to brokers for the period ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 amounted to \$nil.

#### 9. BORROWINGS

The Fund established a revolving margin with its Prime Broker, a Canadian chartered bank. Interest charged at floating rates is included in "Interest expense" on the Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss). The Fund has the facility in place to borrow up to 25 percent of its total assets or 33.3% of the Fund's NAV. The overdraft function is to borrow for the purpose of making investments in accordance with its investment objectives and restrictions, and to pledge its assets to secure the borrowings. The borrowing is a revolving margin that is due on demand with no fixed repayment terms.

The Fund repaid its borrowings during the period with no further drawdown at June 30, 2019 (December 31, 2018 - \$50,949 or 1.4% of net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units). For the period ended June 30, 2019 the Fund recorded interest expense of \$155 (2018 - \$336). The amount of borrowings ranged between \$nil and \$51,080 during the period ended June 30, 2019 (2018 - between \$nil and \$50,949) and represented 0.0% to 1.4% of the Fund's net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units during the period ended June 30, 2019 (2018 - 0.0% to 1.4%).





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