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Item No. 3
Halifax Regional Council
July 31, 2018

TO: Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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SUBMITTED BY: _____
Councillor Bill Karsten, Chair, Audit & Finance Standing Committee

DATE: July 19, 2018

SUBJECT: Investment Activities – Quarter Ending March 31, 2018

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

July 18, 2018 meeting of the Audit & Finance Standing Committee, Item No. 12.2.1.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

The principle role of the Audit and Finance Standing Committee is to provide advice to Council on matters relating to Audit and Finance. In particular, Section 4(f) of the Audit and Finance Standing Committee's Terms of Reference shall 'Review as required, any other policies, procedures, forecasts, reports or process as agreed to mutually by the CAO and the Committee'.

BACKGROUND

A staff report dated June 6, 2018 pertaining to Investment Activities – Quarter Ending March 31, 2018 was before the Audit & Finance Standing Committee at its meeting held on July 18, 2018.

For further information please refer to the attached staff report dated June 6, 2018.

DISCUSSION

The Audit & Finance Standing Committee reviewed the staff report dated June 6, 2018 at its meeting held on July 18, 2018 and forwarded it to Regional Council as an information item.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial implications are addressed in the attached staff report dated June 6, 2018.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Audit & Finance Standing Committee meetings are open to public attendance, a live webcast is provided of the meeting, and members of the public are invited to address the Committee for up to five minutes at the end of each meeting during the Public Participation portion of the meeting. The agenda, reports, minutes, and meeting video of the Audit & Finance Standing Committee are posted on Halifax.ca.

ATTACHMENTS

Staff report dated June 6, 2018.

A copy of this report can be obtained online at halifax.ca or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210.

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Item No. 12.2.1
Audit and Finance Standing Committee
July 18, 2018

TO: Chair and Members of Audit and Finance Standing Committee

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SUBMITTED BY:

Jerry Blackwood, Acting Director of Finance and Asset Management/CFO

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Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: June 6, 2018

SUBJECT: Investment Activities– Quarter ending March 31, 2018

ORIGIN

Quarterly report of investment performance and adherence to approved Investment Policy.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Section 121(1) of the HRM Charter requires that funds be invested pursuant to an Investment Policy adopted by Council and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs (the Minister) or invested pursuant to the Trustee Act. Where HRM has chosen to adopt an Investment Policy and the Minister has approved the Policy investment activities are governed by this Policy.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Audit and Finance Standing Committee forward this report to Halifax Regional Council as an information item.

BACKGROUND

The HRM Investment Policy calls for quarterly reporting by the Treasurer to Council and the Investment Policy Advisory Committee (the Investment Committee). The report for the quarter ending March 31, 2018 has been reviewed by the Investment Committee. A report from the Investment Committee on compliance with the HRM Investment Policy has also been sent to the Audit and Finance Standing Committee meeting of June 20, 2018.

DISCUSSION

Overall Results

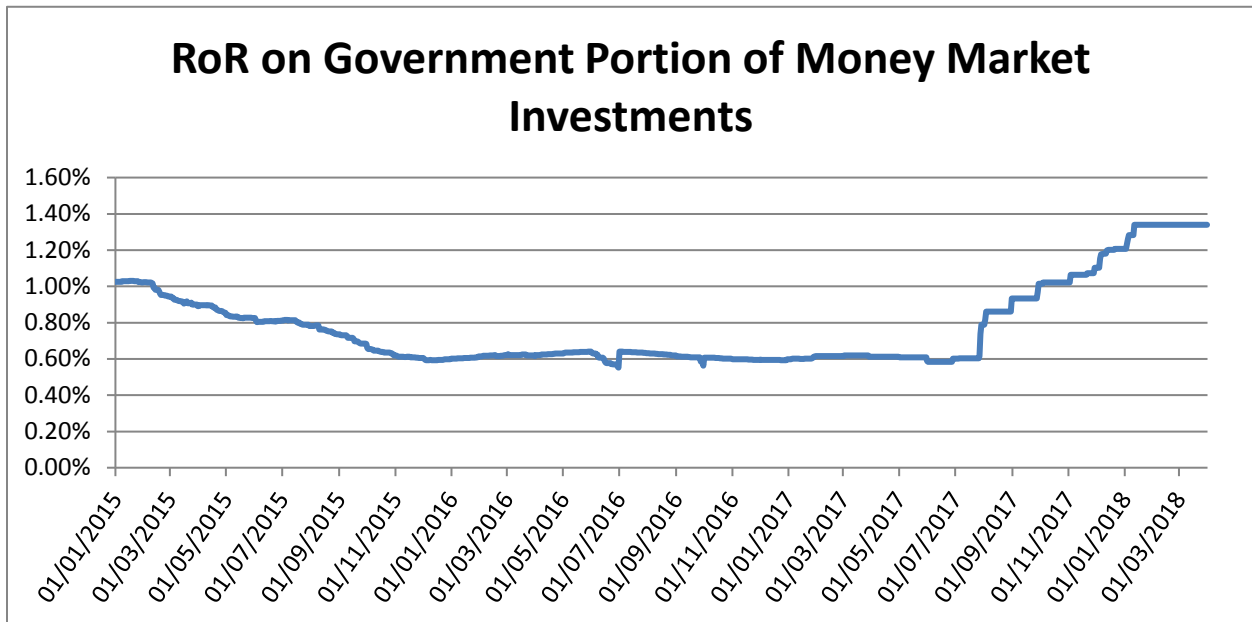
Operating fund investment income for the twelve months ending March 31, 2018 was \$2,134,000 versus a projection of \$2,100,000. Although operating cashflows were lower than forecasted the rate of return for the period was 0.43% which was over the projected rate of return of 0.35%.

HRM Investment Activities

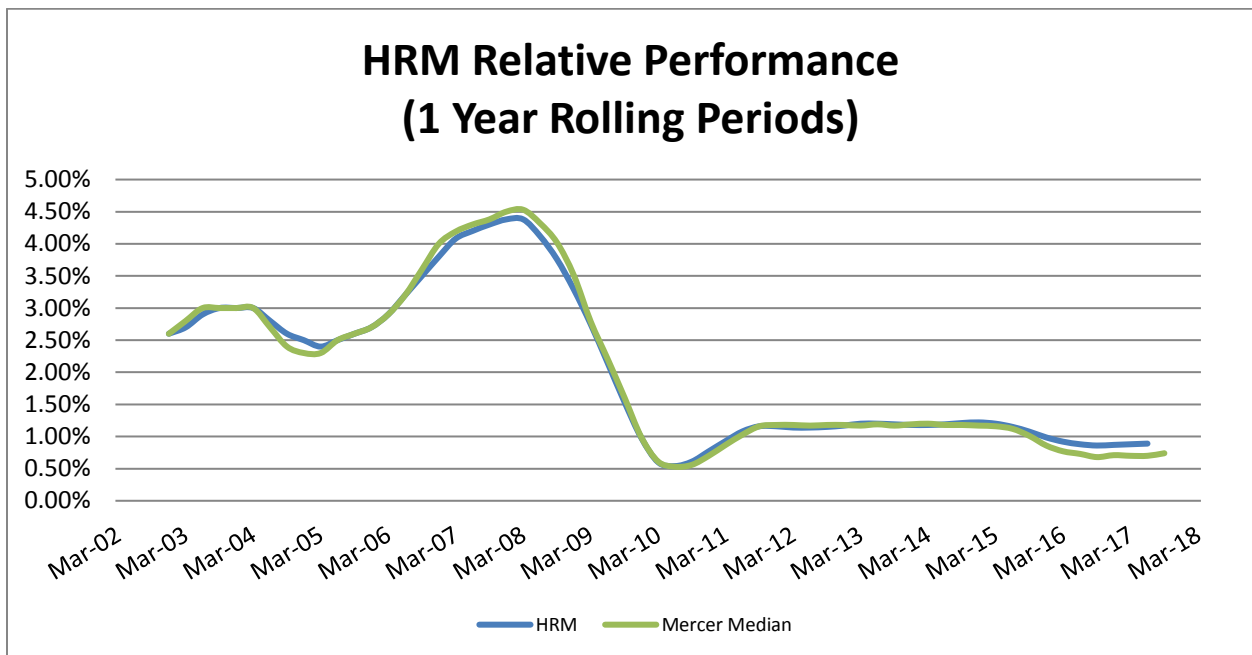
Mercer has discontinued its Investment Consulting Survey of Canadian Institutional Pooled Funds. HRM had been using this survey to compare returns with the industry. We have also been including the RBC Investor and Treasury Services Pooled Fund survey to the Investment Committee, which is very similar to the Mercer Survey. We will be using this survey going forward. Please see the table below with the results using the RBC Survey.

| Money Market Funds | 3 Months (to Mar 31, 2018) | 1 Year (to Mar 31, 2018) |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 5 th Percentile | 0.38% | 1.22% |
| 1 st Quartile | 0.35% | 1.13% |
| Money Market Median | 0.32% | 0.98% |
| 3 rd Quartile | 0.30% | 0.91% |
| 95 th Percentile | 0.23% | 0.71% |
| | | |
| HRM | 0.43% | 1.31% |

Relative performance was again quite positive; the 3 month and one year returns were above the 5th percentile. These returns are before any allowance for fees that could be paid for external management. The investment bank accounts continue to be largely responsible for this relative performance.



As shown in the graph below, over the longer term HRM investment performance closely matches the median with fee savings also accruing to HRM.



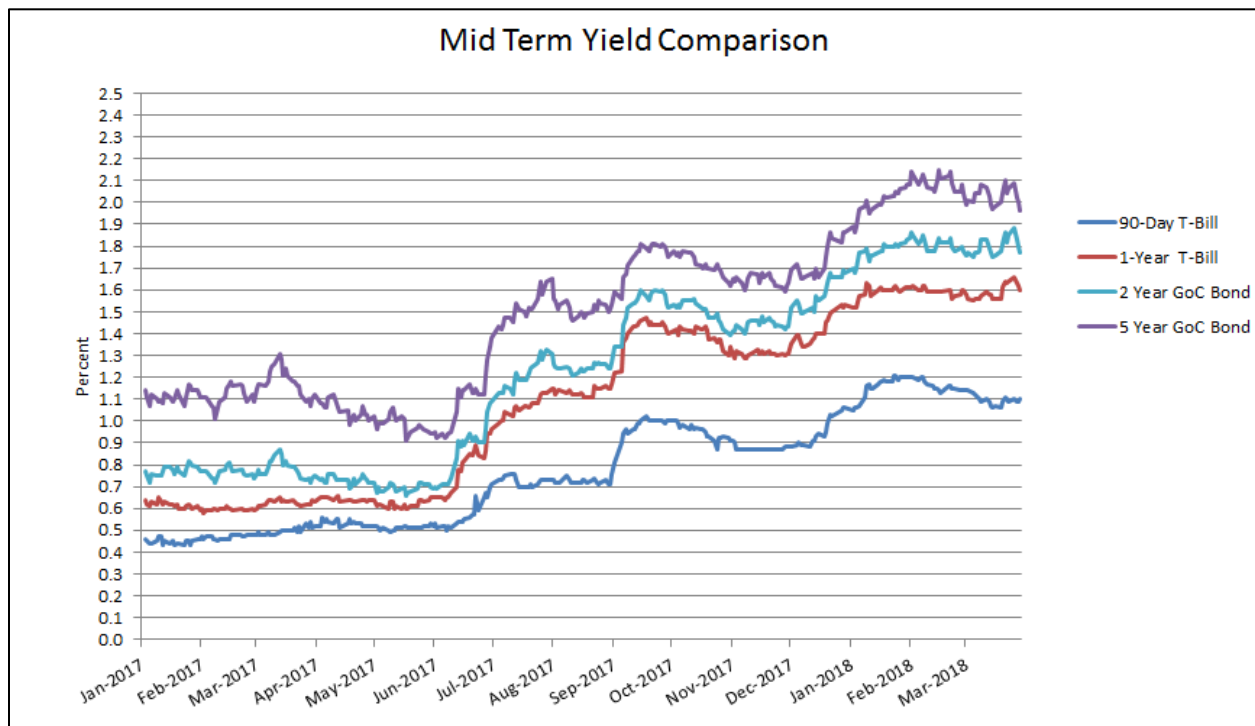
The quarter saw 2 money market investments made at a total cost of \$24,092,485 with an average term to maturity of 186 days and average individual investment cost of \$12,046,243. This compares to last year when 16 investments were made at a total cost of \$207,687,960 with an average term of 99 days and average individual investment cost of \$12,980,498. The predominant strategy is to allocate funds to the investment bank accounts and monthly rebalance the portfolio using government instruments to manage sector weights.

Funds held in the investment bank accounts, including term deposits, totaled \$189,193,000 by the end of the quarter. Incremental income over BA's and BDN's, using a rate of 1.51% as a proxy for the BA and BDN rates, was \$157,003 for the quarter.

The cumulative incremental gross investment income from the 2007 policy change that expanded the non-government sector weight was \$2,956,391 or a \$155,319 increase during the quarter.

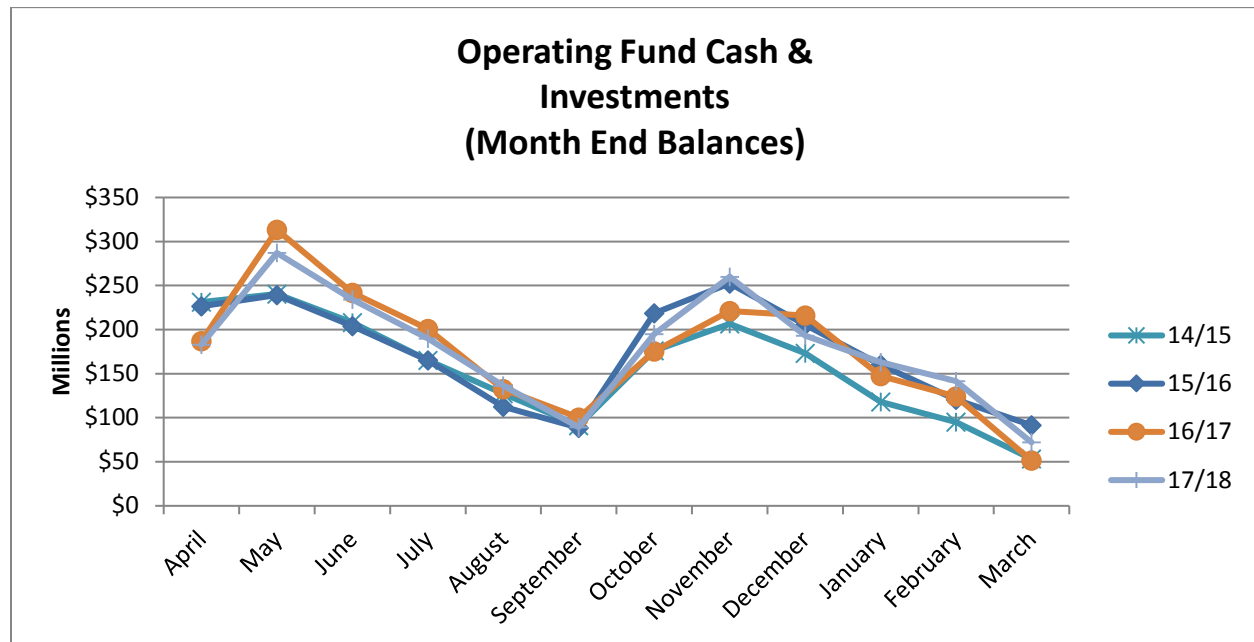
HRM Short Term Bond Pool

There was no change in the bond pool during the quarter. At the end of the quarter the bond pool consisted of \$10,000,000 of bonds with yields ranging from 1.94% to 2.58% with a simple average yield of 2.27%. The term to maturity ranges from June 2018 to December 2018. Staff will continue to look for opportunities to add to the bond portfolio.



Cash Flows

Cash available for operating is \$9,000,000 lower than the previous year due to lower than expected operating cashflows.



Subsequent to End of Reporting Quarter

On April 18, 2018 the Bank of Canada maintained its target for the overnight rate at 1.25%.

Outlook & Strategy

The investment bank accounts, which are for the most part linked to the commercial bank prime rates, are continuing to provide better returns than are available from BA's and government instruments.

The dominant strategy will again be to maximize returns from the investment bank accounts, keeping in mind that their liquidity adds a safety factor, while looking for opportunities in the government half of the portfolio.

Policy Compliance

Objectives:

Preservation of Capital - There was no loss of capital during the quarter.

Liquidity – Overdraft charges were not incurred and sufficient cash was available to meet all requirements. The funded ratio of the reserves at quarter end was 100%.

Competitive Return on Investments - The rate of return was above the 5th percentile of the comparable benchmark for the quarter ending March 31, 2018 before allowing for fees that could have been paid to an external management firm. Accordingly, staff maintain that the rate of return objective of the Policy was met.

Strategies:

Diversification of Investment Portfolio - Staff believe that diversification has been adequately maintained under the constraints of the Policy.

Regular Review of Performance - Performance data continues to be reported to the Investment Policy Advisory Committee.

Risk Management Approach – In implementing investment decisions staff seek a balance between the objectives of the Policy and the risks inherent in markets to look to achieve an optimal rate of return.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As discussed above, operating fund investment income for the twelve months ending March 31, 2018 was \$2,134,000 versus a projection of \$2,100,000. Although operating cashflows were lower than forecasted the rate of return for the period was 0.43% which was over the projected rate of return of 0.35%.

RISK CONSIDERATIONS

There are no significant risks associated with the recommendations in this report.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Investment activities are reported quarterly to the Investment Policy Advisory Committee. The majority of members of this Committee (4 of 6) are volunteers from the general public. The Committee reports to the Audit and Finance Committee of Council quarterly on staff's compliance with the Investment Policy. In addition, the Committee conducts an annual review of the Investment Policy and makes recommendations for any changes considered appropriate.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Sector Weight Schedules @ March 31, 2018 (Schedules A,B,C,D & E)

Appendix A - Economic Statistics and Central Bank Actions

Appendix B - List of Eligible Investments

Appendix C - DBRS Rating Scale

A copy of this report can be obtained online at halifax.ca or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210.

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Total Portfolio
Sector Weights @ Mar 31, 2018

SCHEDULE A

| Category | Status | Cumulative Amount Invested @ Book Value | % of Portfolio | Guideline Limit \$ | Limit \$ Available | Guideline Limit % | Limit Available % |
|--|---------------------------|---|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| CASH & EQUIVALENTS | | | | | | | |
| Federal Government & its Guarantees | Open | 0 | 0% | | | 277,254,798 | 100% |
| Federal Government | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Business Development Bank | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Canadian Wheat Board | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Export Development Canada | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Farm Credit Corp | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Provincial Governments & their Guarantees | R-1 Mid or Greater | 75,634,625 | 27% | | | 277,254,798 | 100% |
| Total Alberta (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 100,000,000 | 100,000,000 | | |
| Alberta (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 100,000,000 | 100,000,000 | | |
| Manitoba (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 100,000,000 | 100,000,000 | | |
| New Brunswick (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 100,000,000 | 100,000,000 | | |
| Nova Scotia (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 100,000,000 | 100,000,000 | | |
| Ontario (R-1 Mid) | Open | 51,542,139 | 19% | 100,000,000 | 48,457,861 | | |
| Quebec (R-1 Mid) | Open | 9,935,300 | 4% | 100,000,000 | 90,064,700 | | |
| Quebec | | 9,935,300 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan (R-1 High) | Open | 14,157,185 | 5% | 100,000,000 | 85,842,815 | | |
| Municipal Governments & their Guarantees* | R-1 Mid or Greater | 0 | 0% | | | 69,313,699 | 25% |
| Calgary (R-1 High) | Open | | | | | 27,725,480 | 10% |
| Financial Institutions & their Guarantees /Corporations | BA's Schedule A | 191,600,856 | 69% | | | 138,627,399 | 50% |
| | Canadian Banks R-1 | | | | | | |
| Tier 1 - Financial Institutions & their Guarantees | Mid | 141,825,194 | 51% | | | 138,627,399 | 50% |
| Bank of Montreal (R-1 High) | Open | 30,128,463 | 11% | 75,000,000 | 44,871,537 | | |
| BMO - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| BMO - Account | | 30,128,463 | | | | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia (R-1 High) | Open | 12,407,857 | 4% | 75,000,000 | 62,592,144 | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia Effective Cash | | 2,407,857 | | | | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia - Notice Account | | 10,000,000 | | | | | |
| Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (R-1 High) | Open | 46,697,380 | 17% | 75,000,000 | 28,302,620 | | |
| CIBC - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| CIBC - Account | | 46,697,380 | | | | | |
| Royal Bank (R-1 High) | Open | 24,591,495 | 9% | 75,000,000 | 50,408,505 | | |
| RBC - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| RBC - Account | | 24,591,495 | | | | | |
| Toronto Dominion (R-1 High) | Open | 28,000,000 | 10% | 75,000,000 | 47,000,000 | | |
| TD - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| TD - Account | | 28,000,000 | | | | | |
| Tier 2 - Financial Institutions & Corporations | R-1 Mid/High*** | 49,775,662 | 18% | | | 69,313,699 | 25% |
| National Bank of Canada (R-1 Mid) | Open | 49,775,662 | 18% | 50,000,000 | 224,338 | | |
| OMERS Realty Corporation (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| CDP Financial Inc (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Desjardins Total | | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Desjardins Group (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Caisse Centale Desjardins (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Total Cash and Equivalents | | 267,235,481 | 96% | | | | |
| Federal Government & its Guarantees | | | | | | | |
| Money Market | | 0 | 0% | | | 21,987,302 | 20% |
| Reserves - Bond Pool | | 0 | 0% | | | 163,944,195 | 100% |
| Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. | | 0 | 0% | | | 163,944,195 | 100% |
| Provincial Government & their Guarantees | | 10,012,907 | 4% | | | 21,987,302 | 20% |
| Money Market | | 0 | 4% | | | 21,987,302 | 20% |
| Alberta | | 0 | 3% | | | 10,993,651 | 10% |
| Alberta | | 0 | | | | 3,038,604 | 3% |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches | | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia | | 0 | 1% | | | 10,993,651 | 10% |
| Manitoba | | 0 | 0% | | | 10,993,651 | 10% |
| New Brunswick | | 0 | 0% | | | 10,993,651 | 10% |
| Nova Scotia | | 0 | 0% | | | 10,993,651 | 10% |
| Ontario | | 0 | 0% | | | 10,993,651 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | 0% | | | 10,993,651 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | | 0 | 0% | | | 10,993,651 | 10% |
| Bond Pool | | 10,012,907 | 4% | | | 32,788,839 | 20% |
| Alberta | | 7,955,047 | 3% | | | 16,394,420 | 10% |
| Alberta | | 7,955,047 | | | | 8,439,373 | 5% |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches | | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia | | 2,057,860 | 1% | | | 16,394,420 | 10% |
| Manitoba | | 0 | 0% | | | 16,394,420 | 10% |
| New Brunswick | | 0 | 0% | | | 16,394,420 | 10% |
| Nova Scotia | | 0 | 0% | | | 16,394,420 | 10% |
| Ontario | | 0 | 0% | | | 16,394,420 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | 0% | | | 16,394,420 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | | 0 | 0% | | | 16,394,420 | 10% |
| Total Fixed | | 10,012,907 | 4% | | | 32,788,839 | 20% |
| Equities | | | | | | | |
| Bank of Montreal | | 6,410 | | | | | |
| Total Equities | | 6,410 | | | | | |
| Total Investments | | 277,254,798 | | | | | |
| Interest Bearing Bank Accounts - O/S Cheque Coverage | | 48,000,000 | * | | | | |
| Total Investments and O/S Cheques Coverage | | 325,254,798 | | | | | |

**Operating Funds
Sector Weights @ Mar 31, 2018**

SCHEDULE B

| Category | Status | Cumulative Amount Invested @ Book Value | % | Guideline Limit (%) | % | Limit Available | % |
|--|---------------------------|---|-------------|------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| CASH & EQUIVALENTS | | | | | | | |
| Federal Government & its Guarantees | Open | 0 | 0% | 82,234,542 | 100% | 82,234,542 | 100% |
| Federal Government | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Business Development Bank | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Canadian Wheat Board | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Export Development Canada | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Farm Credit Corp | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Provincial Governments & their Guarantees | R-1 Mid or Greater | 23,274,524 | 28% | 82,234,542 | 100% | 58,960,017 | 72% |
| Total Alberta (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 20,558,635 | 25% | 20,558,635 | 25% |
| Alberta (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| British Columbia (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 20,558,635 | 25% | 20,558,635 | 25% |
| Manitoba (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 20,558,635 | 25% | 20,558,635 | 25% |
| New Brunswick (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 20,558,635 | 25% | 20,558,635 | 25% |
| Nova Scotia (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 20,558,635 | 25% | 20,558,635 | 25% |
| Ontario (R-1 Mid) | Open | 15,860,709 | 19% | 20,558,635 | 25% | 4,697,926 | 6% |
| Quebec (R-1 Mid) | Open | 3,057,322 | 4% | 20,558,635 | 25% | 17,501,314 | 21% |
| Quebec | | 3,057,322 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan (R-1 High) | Open | 4,356,494 | 5% | 20,558,635 | 25% | 16,202,142 | 20% |
| Municipal Governments & their Guarantees* | R-1 Mid or Greater | 0 | | 20,558,635 | 25% | 20,558,635 | 25% |
| Calgary (R-1 High) | Open | | | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Financial Institutions & their Guarantees /Corporations | | 58,960,017 | 72% | 41,117,271 | 50% | -17,842,747 | -22% |
| | BA's Schedule A | | | | | | |
| | Canadian Banks R-1 | | | | | | |
| Tier 1 - Financial Institutions & their Guarantees | Mid | 43,642,894 | 53% | 41,117,271 | 50% | -2,525,624 | -3% |
| Bank of Montreal (R-1 High) | Open | 9,271,225 | 11% | 8,223,454 | 10% | -1,047,771 | -1% |
| BMO - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| BMO - Account | | 9,271,225 | | | | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia (R-1 High) | Open | 3,818,185 | 5% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 4,405,270 | 5% |
| Bank of Nova Scotia Effective Cash | | 740,953 | | | | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia - Notice Account | | 3,077,231 | | | | | |
| Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (R-1 High) | Open | 14,369,865 | 17% | 8,223,454 | 10% | -6,146,410 | -7% |
| CIBC - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| CIBC - Account | | 14,369,865 | | | | | |
| Royal Bank (R-1 High) | Open | 7,567,372 | 9% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 656,082 | 1% |
| RBC - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| RBC - Account | | 7,567,372 | | | | | |
| Toronto Dominion (R-1 High) | Open | 8,616,248 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% | -392,794 | 0% |
| TD - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| TD - Account | | 8,616,248 | | | | | |
| Tier 2 - Financial Institutions & Corporations | R-1 Mid/High*** | 15,317,123 | 19% | 20,558,635 | 25% | 5,241,512 | 6% |
| National Bank of Canada (R-1 Mid) | Open | 15,317,123 | 19% | 4,111,727 | 5% | -11,205,396 | -14% |
| OMERS Realty Corporation (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 4,111,727 | 5% | 4,111,727 | 5% |
| CDP Financial Inc (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 4,111,727 | 5% | 4,111,727 | 5% |
| Desjardins Total | | 0 | 0% | 4,111,727 | 5% | 4,111,727 | 5% |
| Desjardins Group (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Caisse Centale Desjardins (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Total Investments | | 82,234,542 | 100% | | | | |
| Federal Government & its Guarantees | | | | | | | |
| Money Market | | 0 | 0% | 16,446,908 | 20% | 16,446,908 | 20% |
| Reserves - Bond Pool | | 0 | 0% | 16,446,908 | 100% | 16,446,908 | 20% |
| Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. | | 0 | | | | | |
| Provincial Government & their Guarantees | | 0 | 0% | 16,446,908 | 20% | 16,446,908 | 20% |
| Money Market | | 0 | 0% | 16,446,908 | 20% | 16,446,908 | 20% |
| Alberta | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Alberta | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches | | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Manitoba | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| New Brunswick | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Nova Scotia | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Ontario | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Bond Pool | | 0 | 0% | 16,446,908 | 20% | 16,446,908 | 20% |
| Alberta | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Alberta | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches | | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Manitoba | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| New Brunswick | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Nova Scotia | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Ontario | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | | 0 | 0% | 8,223,454 | 10% | 8,223,454 | 10% |
| Total Fixed | | 0 | 0% | 16,446,908 | 20% | 16,446,908 | 20% |
| Total Investments | | 82,234,542 | | | | | |
| Interest Bearing Bank Accounts - O/S Cheque Coverage | | 48,000,000 | * | | | | |
| Total Investments and O/S Cheques Coverage | | 130,234,542 | | | | | |

**Capital Funds
Sector Weights @ Mar 31, 2018**

SCHEDULE C

| | Category Status | Cumulative Amount Invested @ Book Value | % | Guideline Limit | % | Limit Available | % |
|--|---------------------------|---|-----------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|
| CASH & EQUIVALENTS | | | | | | | |
| Federal Government & its Guarantees | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 100% | 0 | 0% |
| Federal Government | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Business Development Bank | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Canadian Wheat Board | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Export Development Canada | Open | | | | | | |
| Farm Credit Corp | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Provincial Governments & their Guarantees | R-1 Mid or Greater | 0 | 0% | 0 | 100% | 0 | 0% |
| Total Alberta (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| Alberta (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| Manitoba (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| New Brunswick (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| Nova Scotia (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| Ontario (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| Quebec (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| Quebec | | | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan (R-1 High) | Open | | 0% | 0 | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| Municipal Governments & their Guarantees* | R-1 Mid or Greater | 0 | | 0 | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| Calgary (R-1 High) | Open | | | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Financial Institutions & their Guarantees /Corporations | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 50% | 0 | 0% |
| | BA's Schedule A | | | | | | |
| | Canadian Banks R-1 | | | | | | |
| Tier 1 - Financial Institutions & their Guarantees | Mid | 0 | 0% | 0 | 50% | 0 | 0% |
| Bank of Montreal (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| BMO - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| BMO - Account | | 0 | | | | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Bank of Nova Scotia Effective Cash | | 0 | | | | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia - Notice Account | | 0 | | | | | |
| Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| CIBC - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| CIBC - Account | | 0 | | | | | |
| Royal Bank (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| RBC - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| RBC - Account | | 0 | | | | | |
| Toronto Dominion (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| TD - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| TD - Account | | 0 | | | | | |
| Tier 2 - Financial Institutions & Corporations | R-1 Mid/High*** | 0 | 0% | 0 | 25% | 0 | 0% |
| National Bank of Canada (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 5% | 0 | 0% |
| OMERS Realty Corporation (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 5% | 0 | 0% |
| CDP Financial Inc (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 0 | 5% | 0 | 0% |
| Desjardins Total | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 5% | 0 | 0% |
| Desjardins Group (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Caisse Centale Desjardins (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Total Investments | | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Federal Government & its Guarantees | | | | | | | |
| Money Market | | 0 | 0 | | 20% | 0 | 20% |
| Reserves - Bond Pool | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 100% | 0 | 0% |
| Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. | | 0 | | | 100% | | |
| Provincial Government & their Guarantees | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 20% | 0 | 0% |
| Money Market | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 20% | 0 | 0% |
| Alberta | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Alberta | | | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches | | | | | | | |
| British Columbia | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Manitoba | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| New Brunswick | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Nova Scotia | | | | | | | |
| Ontario | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Quebec | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Bond Pool | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 20% | 0 | 0% |
| Alberta | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Alberta | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches | | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Manitoba | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| New Brunswick | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Nova Scotia | | | | | | | |
| Ontario | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Quebec | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 10% | 0 | 0% |
| Total Fixed | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 20% | 0 | 0% |
| Total Investments | | 0 | | | | | |
| Interest Bearing Bank Accounts - O/S Cheque Coverage | | 0 | * | | | | |
| Total Investments and O/S Cheques Coverage | | 0 | | | | | |

**Reserve Funds
Sector Weights @ Mar 31, 2018**

SCHEDULE D

| Category | Status | Cumulative Amount Invested @ Book Value | % | Guideline Limit | % | Limit Available | % |
|--|-------------------------------|---|------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| CASH & EQUIVALENTS | | | | | | | |
| Federal Government & its Guarantees | Open | 0 | 0% | 191,438,281 | 100% | 191,438,281 | 100% |
| Federal Government | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Business Development Bank | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Canadian Wheat Board | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Export Development Canada | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Farm Credit Corp | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Provincial Governments & their Guarantees | R-1 Mid or Greater | 51,348,122 | 27% | 191,438,281 | 100% | 140,090,159 | 73% |
| Total Alberta (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 47,859,570 | 25% | 39,904,523 | 21% |
| Alberta (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 47,859,570 | 25% | 45,801,710 | 24% |
| Manitoba (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 47,859,570 | 25% | 47,859,570 | 25% |
| New Brunswick (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 47,859,570 | 25% | 47,859,570 | 25% |
| Nova Scotia (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | | 47,859,570 | 25% | 47,859,570 | 25% |
| Ontario (R-1 Mid) | Open | 34,991,805 | 18% | 47,859,570 | 25% | 12,867,765 | 7% |
| Quebec (R-1 Mid) | Open | 6,745,046 | 4% | 47,859,570 | 25% | 41,114,525 | 21% |
| Quebec | | 6,745,046 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan (R-1 High) | Open | 9,611,271 | 5% | 47,859,570 | 25% | 38,248,299 | 20% |
| Municipal Governments & their Guarantees* | R-1 Mid or Greater | 0 | | 47,859,570 | 25% | 47,859,570 | 25% |
| Calgary (R-1 High) | Open | | | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Financial Institutions & their Guarantees /Corporations | | 130,077,252 | 68% | 95,719,141 | 50% | -34,358,112 | -18% |
| | BA's Schedule A | | | | | | |
| Tier 1 - Financial Institutions & their Guarantees | Canadian Banks R-1 Mid | 96,284,703 | 50% | 95,719,141 | 50% | -565,563 | 0% |
| Bank of Montreal (R-1 High) | Open | 20,454,124 | 11% | 19,143,828 | 10% | -1,310,296 | -1% |
| BMO - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| BMO - Account | | 20,454,124 | | | | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia (R-1 High) | Open | 8,423,657 | 4% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 10,720,171 | 6% |
| Bank of Nova Scotia Effective Cash | | 1,634,687 | | | | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia - Notice Account | | 6,788,970 | | | | | |
| Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (R-1 High) | Open | 31,702,713 | 17% | 19,143,828 | 10% | -12,558,885 | -7% |
| CIBC - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| CIBC - Account | | 31,702,713 | | | | | |
| Royal Bank (R-1 High) | Open | 16,695,093 | 9% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 2,448,735 | 1% |
| RBC - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| RBC - Account | | 16,695,093 | | | | | |
| Toronto Dominion (R-1 High) | Open | 19,009,117 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 134,711 | 0% |
| TD - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| TD - Account | | 19,009,117 | | | | | |
| Tier 2 - Financial Institutions & Corporations | R-1 Mid/High*** | 33,792,549 | 18% | 47,859,570 | 25% | 14,067,021 | 7% |
| National Bank of Canada (R-1 Mid) | Open | 33,792,549 | 18% | 9,571,914 | 5% | -24,220,635 | -13% |
| OMERS Realty Corporation (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 9,571,914 | 5% | 9,571,914 | 5% |
| CDP Financial Inc (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 9,571,914 | 5% | 9,571,914 | 5% |
| Desjardins Total | | 0 | 0% | 9,571,914 | 5% | 9,571,914 | 5% |
| Desjardins Group (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Caisse Centale Desjardins (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Total Cash and Equivalents | | 181,425,374 | 95% | | | | |
| Federal Government & its Guarantees | | | | | | | |
| Money Market | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 20% | 0 | 0% |
| Reserves - Bond Pool | | 0 | 0% | 191,438,281 | 100% | 191,438,281 | 100% |
| Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. | | 0 | | | | | |
| Provincial Government & their Guarantees | | 10,012,907 | 5% | 95,719,141 | 50% | 85,706,233 | 45% |
| Money Market | | 0 | 5% | 95,719,141 | 50% | 85,706,233 | 45% |
| Alberta | | 0 | 4% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 11,188,781 | 6% |
| Alberta | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches | | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia | | 0 | 1% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 17,085,968 | 9% |
| Manitoba | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| New Brunswick | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Nova Scotia | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Ontario | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Bond Pool | | 10,012,907 | 5% | 95,719,141 | 50% | 85,706,233 | 45% |
| Alberta | | 7,955,047 | 4% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 11,188,781 | 6% |
| Alberta | | 7,955,047 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches | | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia | | 2,057,860 | 1% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 17,085,968 | 9% |
| Manitoba | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| New Brunswick | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Nova Scotia | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Ontario | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | | 0 | 0% | 19,143,828 | 10% | 19,143,828 | 10% |
| Total Fixed | | 10,012,907 | 5% | 191,438,281 | 100% | 181,425,374 | 95% |
| Total Investments | | 191,438,281 | | | | | |

Trust Funds
Sector Weights @ Mar 31, 2018

SCHEDULE E

| Category | Status | Cumulative Amount Invested @ Book Value | % | Guideline Limit | % | Limit Available | % |
|--|---------------------------|---|-------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| CASH & EQUIVALENTS | | | | | | | |
| Federal Government & its Guarantees | Open | 0 | 0% | 3,581,975 | 100% | 3,581,975 | 100% |
| Federal Government | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Business Development Bank | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Canadian Wheat Board | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| Export Development Canada | Open | | | | | | |
| Farm Credit Corp | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| | | 0 | | | | | |
| Provincial Governments & their Guarantees | R-1 Mid or Greater | 1,011,978 | 28% | 3,581,975 | 100% | 2,569,997 | 72% |
| Total Alberta (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 895,494 | 25% | 895,494 | 25% |
| Alberta (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | | | | |
| British Columbia (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 895,494 | 25% | 895,494 | 25% |
| Manitoba (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 895,494 | 25% | 895,494 | 25% |
| New Brunswick (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 895,494 | 25% | 895,494 | 25% |
| Nova Scotia (R-1 Mid) | Open | 0 | 0% | 895,494 | 25% | 895,494 | 25% |
| Ontario (R-1 Mid) | Open | 689,625 | 19% | 895,494 | 25% | 205,869 | 6% |
| Quebec (R-1 Mid) | Open | 132,933 | 4% | 895,494 | 25% | 762,561 | 21% |
| Quebec | | | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan (R-1 High) | Open | 189,421 | 5% | 895,494 | 25% | 706,073 | 20% |
| Municipal Governments & their Guarantees* | R-1 Mid or Greater | 0 | | 895,494 | 25% | 895,494 | 25% |
| Calgary (R-1 High) | Open | | | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Financial Institutions & their Guarantees /Corporations | | 2,563,587 | 72% | 1,790,988 | 50% | -772,599 | -22% |
| | BA's Schedule A | | | | | | |
| | Canadian Banks R-1 | | | | | | |
| Tier 1 - Financial Institutions & their Guarantees | Mid | 1,897,597 | 53% | 1,790,988 | 50% | -106,609 | -3% |
| Bank of Montreal (R-1 High) | Open | 403,114 | 11% | 358,198 | 10% | -44,916 | -1% |
| BMO - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| BMO - Account | | 403,114 | | | | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia (R-1 High) | Open | 166,015 | 5% | 358,198 | 10% | 192,183 | 5% |
| Bank of Nova Scotia Effective Cash | | 32,217 | | | | | |
| Bank of Nova Scotia - Notice Account | | 133,798 | | | | | |
| Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (R-1 High) | Open | 624,803 | 17% | 358,198 | 10% | -266,605 | -7% |
| CIBC - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| CIBC - Account | | 624,803 | | | | | |
| Royal Bank (R-1 High) | Open | 329,030 | 9% | 358,198 | 10% | 29,168 | 1% |
| RBC - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| RBC - Account | | 329,030 | | | | | |
| Toronto Dominion (R-1 High) | Open | 374,635 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% | -16,438 | 0% |
| TD - Instruments | | 0 | | | | | |
| TD - Account | | 374,635 | | | | | |
| Tier 2 - Financial Institutions & Corporations | R-1 Mid/High*** | 665,990 | 19% | 895,494 | 25% | 229,504 | 6% |
| National Bank of Canada (R-1 Mid) | Open | 665,990 | 19% | 179,099 | 5% | -486,891 | -14% |
| OMERS Realty Corporation (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 179,099 | 5% | 179,099 | 5% |
| CDP Financial Inc (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | 0% | 179,099 | 5% | 179,099 | 5% |
| Desjardins Total | | 0 | 0% | 179,099 | 5% | 179,099 | 5% |
| Desjardins Group (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Caisse Centale Desjardins (R-1 High) | Open | 0 | | | | | |
| Total Cash and Equivalents | | 3,575,565 | 100% | | | | |
| Federal Government & its Guarantees | | | | | | | |
| Money Market | | 0 | 0% | 0 | 20% | 0 | 0% |
| Reserves - Bond Pool | | 0 | 0% | 3,581,975 | 100% | 3,581,975 | 100% |
| Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. | | 0 | | | | | |
| Provincial Government & their Guarantees | | 0 | 0% | 3,581,975 | 100% | 3,581,975 | 100% |
| Money Market | | 0 | 100% | 3,581,975 | 100% | 3,581,975 | 100% |
| Alberta | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Alberta | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches | | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Manitoba | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| New Brunswick | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Nova Scotia | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Ontario | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Bond Pool | | 0 | 0% | 3,581,975 | 100% | 3,581,975 | 100% |
| Alberta | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Alberta | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Capital Finance Authority | | 0 | | | | | |
| Alberta Treasury Branches | | 0 | | | | | |
| British Columbia | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Manitoba | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| New Brunswick | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Nova Scotia | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Ontario | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Financement Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Hydro Quebec | | 0 | | | | | |
| Saskatchewan | | 0 | 0% | 358,198 | 10% | 358,198 | 10% |
| Total Fixed | | 0 | | | | | |
| Equities | | | | | | | |
| Bank of Montreal | | 6,410 | | | | | |
| Total Equities | | 6,410 | | | | | |
| Total Investments | | 3,581,975 | | | | | |

Appendix A

| Economic Statistics | Canada | | | US | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|------|------|----------|------|------|
| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Jan | Feb | Mar |
| Unemployment Rate | 5.9% | 5.8% | 5.8% | 4.1% | 4.1% | 4.1% |
| Jobs Created / (Lost) ('000's) | (88) | 15 | 32 | 176 | 324 | 135 |
| CPI (year over year) | 1.7% | 2.2% | 2.3% | 2.1% | 2.2% | 2.4% |
| CPI-X (Core) (year over year) | 1.2% | 1.5% | 1.4% | 1.8% | 1.8% | 2.1% |
| GDP (annualized) | Q1: 1.7% | | | Q1: 2.3% | | |

| Date | Central Bank | Central Bank Action |
|----------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Jan 17, 2018 | Bank of Canada | Raised overnight rate to 1.25%. |
| Jan 31, 2018 | U.S. Federal Open Market Committee | Maintain target range of 1.25%-1.50%. |
| Mar 7, 2018 | Bank of Canada | Maintained overnight rate at 1.25%. |
| Mar 21, 2018 | U.S. Federal Open Market Committee | Raised target range to 1.50%-1.75%. |
| Apr 18, 2018 | Bank of Canada | Maintained overnight rate at 1.25%. |
| May 2, 2018 | U.S. Federal Open Market Committee | Maintain target range of 1.50%-1.75%. |
| <i>May 30, 2018</i> | <i>Bank of Canada</i> | |
| <i>Jun 13, 2018</i> | <i>U.S. Federal Open Market Committee</i> | |
| <i>July 11, 2018</i> | <i>Bank of Canada</i> | |
| <i>Aug 1, 2018</i> | <i>U.S. Federal Open Market Committee</i> | |
| <i>Sept 5, 2018</i> | <i>Bank of Canada</i> | |
| <i>Sept 26, 2018</i> | <i>U.S. Federal Open Market Committee</i> | |
| <i>Oct 24, 2018</i> | <i>Bank of Canada</i> | |
| <i>Nov 8, 2018</i> | <i>U.S. Federal Open Market Committee</i> | |
| <i>Dec 5, 2018</i> | <i>Bank of Canada</i> | |
| <i>Dec 19, 2018</i> | <i>U.S. Federal Open Market Committee</i> | |

List of Eligible Investments

The Government of Canada & Its Guarantees:

Federal Government
Business Development Bank
Canada Mortgage & Housing Corporation
Canadian Wheat Board
Export Development Canada
Farm Credit Corporation

Provincial Governments & Their Guarantees:

The Province of Alberta & Its Guarantees
The Province of British Columbia & Its Guarantees
The Province of Manitoba & Its Guarantees
The Province of New Brunswick & Its Guarantees
The Province of Ontario & Its Guarantees
The Province of Quebec & Its Guarantees
The Province of Saskatchewan & Its Guarantees
The Province of Nova Scotia

Municipal Governments & Their Guarantees:

The Municipality of Calgary & Its Guarantees

Financial Institutions & Their Guarantees (Tier 1):

The Bank of Montreal & Its Guarantees
The Bank of Nova Scotia & Its Guarantees
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce & Its Guarantees
Royal Bank of Canada & Its Guarantees
Toronto Dominion Bank & Its Guarantees

Financial Institutions & Corporations (Tier 2):

Desjardins Group
Caisse Centrale Desjardins
CDP Financial Inc.
National Bank of Canada
OMERS Finance Trust

Dominion Bond Rating Service (DBRS) Rating Scale

R-1 (high)

Short-term debt rated R-1 (high) is of the highest credit quality, and indicates an entity possessing unquestioned ability to repay current liabilities as they fall due. Entities rated in this category normally maintain strong liquidity positions, conservative debt levels, and profitability that is both stable and above average. Companies achieving an R-1 (high) rating are normally leaders in structurally sound industry segments with proven track records, sustainable positive future results, and no substantial qualifying negative factors. Given the extremely tough definition DBRS has established for an R-1 (high), few entities are strong enough to achieve this rating.

R-1 (middle)

Short-term debt rated R-1 (middle) is of superior credit quality and, in most cases, ratings in this category differ from R-1 (high) credits by only a small degree. Given the extremely tough definition DBRS has established for the R-1 (high) category, entities rated R-1 (middle) are also considered strong credits, and typically exemplify above average strength in key areas of consideration for the timely repayment of short-term liabilities.

R-1 (low)

Short-term debt rated R-1 (low) is of satisfactory credit quality. The overall strength and outlook for key liquidity, debt, and profitability ratios is not normally as favourable as with higher rating categories, but these considerations are still respectable. Any qualifying negative factors that exist are considered manageable, and the entity is normally of sufficient size to have some influence in its industry.