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Letter from the President and Co-CEO

The first half of 2018 has been remarkable for both the Canadian ETF industry and Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. (“Horizons ETFs”). The industry reached new heights, surpassing \$156 billion in assets under management (“AUM”), as at June 30, 2018. Horizons ETFs reached a new pinnacle as well, surpassing more than \$10 billion in AUM as at the same date. In addition, we have added two new, innovative ETFs so far this year, giving us a total of 80 different investment tools available for our clients.

In February, we brought to market our second marijuana-focused ETF – the Horizons Emerging Marijuana Growers Index ETF (“HMJR”). HMJR is the first ETF in Canada to give investors direct exposure to blossoming small-cap marijuana cultivation and distribution companies. HMJR provides direct, often referred to as ‘pure-play’, global exposure to the sector, by focusing on the smaller, emerging producers. Our first marijuana ETF – the Horizons Marijuana Life Sciences Index ETF (“HMMJ”) – gives investors broad diversified exposure to the North American marijuana sector.

Speaking of HMMJ, futures on units of this ETF began trading on the Montreal Exchange in June. We view this listing as recognition by the Canadian investor marketplace that HMMJ is a key benchmark for marijuana investing in Canada.

In June, we launched yet another highly innovative ETF – the Horizons Blockchain Technology & Hardware Index ETF (“BKCH”). BKCH provides investors with diversified exposure to companies involved in the new, disruptive technology frontier: blockchain – a shareable digital ledger that logs and tracks valuable information such as transactions or assets, offering virtually endless applications. BKCH provides a diversified way to invest in the blockchain ecosystem and infrastructure without taking on a lot of the risks of buying unknown, early stage technology companies.

Regardless of market conditions, our extensive suite of ETFs gives investors the tools they need to help meet their financial objectives. For more information on all our strategies, please visit www.HorizonsETFs.com where we offer a range of resources designed to inform and educate ETF investors.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Steven J. Hawkins, President & Co-CEO
Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc.

P.S. On a personal note, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the fantastic team of professionals I work with at Horizons ETFs. They played a vital role in helping me win ‘CEO of the Year’ at the 2018 Wealth Professional Awards.

MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE

This interim management report of fund performance for Horizons Active Cdn Bond ETF (“HAD” or the “ETF”) contains financial highlights and is included with the unaudited interim financial statements for the investment fund. You may request a copy of the ETF’s unaudited interim or audited annual financial statements, interim or annual management report of fund performance, current proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record, or quarterly portfolio disclosures, at no cost, from the ETF’s manager, Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. (“Horizons Management” or the “Manager”), by calling toll free 1-866-641-5739, or locally (416) 933-5745, by writing to us at: 55 University Avenue, Suite 800, Toronto ON, M5J 2H7, or by visiting our website at www.horizonsetfs.com or SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

This document may contain forward-looking statements relating to anticipated future events, results, circumstances, performance, or expectations that are not historical facts but instead represent our beliefs regarding future events. By their nature, forward-looking statements require us to make assumptions and are subject to inherent risks and uncertainties. There is significant risk that predictions and other forward-looking statements will not prove to be accurate. We caution readers of this document not to place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements as a number of factors could cause actual future results, conditions, actions or events to differ materially from the targets, expectations, estimates or intentions expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements.

Actual results may differ materially from management expectations as projected in such forward-looking statements for a variety of reasons, including but not limited to market and general economic conditions, interest rates, regulatory and statutory developments, and the effects of competition in the geographic and business areas in which the ETF may invest and the risks detailed from time to time in the ETF’s prospectus. New risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for management to predict all such risk factors. We caution that the foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive, and that when relying on forward-looking statements to make decisions with respect to investing in the ETF, investors and others should carefully consider these factors, as well as other uncertainties and potential events, and the inherent uncertainty of forward-looking statements. Due to the potential impact of these factors, the Manager does not undertake, and specifically disclaims, any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, unless required by applicable law.

Management Discussion of Fund Performance

Investment Objective and Strategies

The investment objective of HAD is to seek long-term returns primarily through maximized interest income and moderate capital appreciation. HAD invests primarily in a portfolio of high-quality Canadian fixed income securities denominated in Canadian dollars including government and corporate bonds.

To achieve HAD’s investment objectives, the ETF’s sub-advisor, Fiera Capital Corporation (“Fiera” or the “Sub-Advisor”), uses research on Canadian economic conditions and their impact on interest rates to select fixed income securities that, based on the Sub-Advisor’s view, are believed to offer superior risk adjusted returns relative to passively managed Canadian bond indices. When the Sub-Advisor believes that interest rates will increase, the Sub-Advisor may choose securities with shorter terms and when the Sub-Advisor believes that interest rates will decrease, the Sub-Advisor may choose securities with longer terms.

HAD will be substantially invested at all times in a portfolio primarily composed of Canadian federal and provincial government bonds, Canadian corporate bonds and municipal bonds. HAD may also from time-to-time invest in foreign government, foreign government-backed and corporate bonds denominated in Canadian dollars and certain high quality asset-backed securities.

HAD will not invest in bonds denominated in currencies other than the Canadian Dollar.

Management Discussion of Fund Performance (continued)

HAD may from time to time also use both long and short futures contracts and forwards to manage its duration objective and hedge any resulting non-Canadian currency exposure to the Canadian Dollar.

HAD may rely on exemptions from the securities regulatory authorities allowing it to purchase securities of a related issuer of Fiera which are not exchange traded if certain conditions are met. In particular, the investment must be consistent with, or necessary to meet, the investment objective of HAD. The investment must also be approved by the ETF's Independent Review Committee ("IRC") and is subject to certain other provisions of National Instrument 81-107 ("NI 81-107").

Please refer to the ETF's most recent prospectus for a complete description of HAD's investment restrictions.

Risk

The Manager performs a review of the ETF's risk rating at least annually, as well as when there is a material change in the ETF's investment objective or investment strategies. The current risk rating for the ETF is: low.

Risk ratings are determined based on the historical volatility of the ETF as measured by the standard deviation of its performance against its mean. The risk categorization of the ETF may change over time and historical volatility is not indicative of future volatility. Generally, a risk rating is assigned to the ETF based on a blend of the historical rolling 3-year and 5-year standard deviations of its return (or, generally, commencing with prospectus renewals after September 1, 2017, a rolling 10-year standard deviation), the return of an underlying index, or of an applicable proxy index. In cases where the Manager believes that this methodology produces a result that is not indicative of the ETF's future volatility, the risk rating may be determined by the ETF's category. Risk ratings are not intended for use as a substitute for undertaking a proper and complete suitability or financial assessment by an investment advisor.

The Manager, as a summary for existing investors, is providing the list below of the risks to which an investment in the ETF may be subject. **Prospective investors should read the ETF's most recent prospectus and consider the full description of the risks contained therein before purchasing units.**

The risks to which an investment in the ETF is subject are listed below and have not changed from the list of risks found in the ETF's most recent prospectus. A full description of each risk listed below may also be found in the most recent prospectus. The most recent prospectus is available at www.horizonsetfs.com or from www.sedar.com, or by contacting Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. directly via the contact information on the back page of this document.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stock market risk• Specific issuer risk• Legal and regulatory risk• Exchange traded funds risk• Reliance on historical data risk• Corresponding net asset value risk• Designated broker/dealer risk• Cease trading of securities risk• Exchange risk• Early closing risk• No assurance of meeting investment objective• Tax risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Securities lending, repurchase and reverse repurchase transaction risk• Loss of limited liability• Reliance on key personnel• Distributions risk• Conflicts of interest• No ownership interest• Market for units• Redemption price• Net asset value fluctuation• Restrictions on certain unitholders |
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Management Discussion of Fund Performance (continued)

- Highly volatile markets
 - Multi-class risk (up to April 28, 2017)
 - No guaranteed return
 - Derivatives and counterparty risk
 - Interest rate risk
 - Foreign currency risk
- Credit risk
 - Call risk
 - Risk of difference between quoted and actionable market price
 - Liquidity risk

Results of Operations

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2018, units of the ETF returned 1.67%, when including distributions paid to unitholders. This compares to a return of 0.60% for the ICE Bank of America Merrill Lynch Canada Broad Market Index (the "Index") for the same period.

The Index tracks the performance of Canadian dollar denominated investment grade debt publicly issued in the Canadian domestic market, including sovereign, quasi-government, corporate, securitized and collateralized securities.

General Market Review

Thanks to continued tightening monetary policy, including a rate hike by the Bank of Canada (the "BoC") in January, government bond yields were up across the board in the first quarter. During the equity market correction in late January and early February, Canadian federal bonds weathered the storm fairly well, losing 48 basis points (bps) from peak to trough, but provincial and municipal bonds suffered heavier losses.

As expected, the BoC kept rates on hold at its April and May meetings – targeting 1.25% as its benchmark lending rate – but warned of coming rate hikes should inflation heat up. The bank said the economy was slightly weaker than expected to start the year – reflecting a slowing housing market and reduced exports – but expected a rebound in the second quarter. It added that temporary factors that have weighed on inflation have largely dissipated, and raised its estimate for potential growth by 0.4%. June saw benchmark rates in Canada drop significantly as traders began doubting a July rate hike by the BoC. Nearing the end of the first half, the specter of a looming trade battle with the U.S. had traders pricing-in about a 50% chance of a BoC rate hike at its July 11 meeting, though a release of a very robust Business Outlook Survey at the end of June moved those expectations up to an 85% chance of an increase.

The Canadian bond universe ended June with a positive performance for the first six months of 2018. Although Canada government bonds traded at their highest yield of the first half in May, with Government of Canada 10-year bonds reaching 2.52%, they recovered to close June at 2.16%. By the end of the first half, the big winners among government bonds were federal bonds, returning 0.67%, beating provincials (+0.49%) and municipals (+0.59%). Thanks to the yield curve flattening, long-term bonds did much better than short-term issues. Yields were rising with the prospect of economic growth and rising inflation as oil traded over USD \$74 per barrel on reduced supply.

United States 10-year Treasury notes traded at a seven year high of 3.10% in mid-May. However, yields rallied into the end of the second quarter as the threat of Italy's new government planning to leave the Euro and the escalation of trade wars by the U.S government produced a flight to quality bid for rates.

Management Discussion of Fund Performance (continued)

Portfolio Review

The ETF's portfolio began the period with a neutral duration and moved between neutral, short and then long duration into the end of the first quarter and then again into the beginning of June. Although rates generally were higher for most of first half of 2018, Fiera was able to add value in both the first and second quarter through duration and curve positioning. The Canadian yield curve flattened and the long end actually inverted for a brief time with solid demand, a lack of inflation and a belief that the Bank of Canada is "well ahead of the curve". On a yield basis, shorter yields rose while the long end yields fell.

The general interest rate call and short-term trading added to performance. With the volatility in global markets, corporate credit spreads widened, especially in the financial sector. Heavy supply of new issuances added to this trend. Ontario spreads were heavy leading into the provincial election and all provincial spreads widened during the first half. It was the smaller provinces, especially Alberta that outperformed Ontario and Quebec. The portfolio is overweight Alberta but gains were offset by the ETF's overweight position in Ontario. The portfolio is now neutral corporate and provincial credit after being long in the first quarter. Performance from credit spreads was a small positive. On the yield curve, an underweight in shorter-dated bonds added value as the curve continued to flatten.

Outlook

Overall, Fiera sees signs of a pickup in the global economy with growth in the U.S. estimated at 3.0% for the second half of 2018. We believe that we are in the late stages of a 10-year U.S. expansion but see no signs of recession over the next year. We are optimistic on the U.S. economy over the next year with help from tax reform and deregulation. U.S. trade was set to improve with a lower dollar and a pickup in global growth but we are worried that tariffs, possible trade wars and recent dollar strength may derail the global economy. The Canadian economy, which typically does better than the U.S. in these late cycle stages, should see growth slow to 2.0% especially with businesses hesitant to take risk through these uncertain times.

Inflation is still not a problem in the U.S. or Canada. Inflation pressures eased with low energy prices, slowing health care costs, stabilizing rents and weak auto prices. For the rest of 2018, we see a slight increase in inflation with upward pressures in energy prices and higher unit labour costs. Trade wars and tariffs could also move prices higher. Secular forces including demographics, automation and globalization will continue to keep inflation in check.

The U.S. Federal Reserve (the "Fed") began to raise interest rates in late 2015 and has continued hiking rates as recently as June 2018. It has indicated a path of gradual tightening, viewing soft inflation as transitory, and with risks of a potential overheating of an economy at near full employment. The Fed continues with its gradual balance sheet normalization program. We see two more rate hikes in 2018.

The Bank of Canada started raising rates in 2017, hiked them in January 2018 and should raise rates at its July meeting. With trade wars escalating, the Bank will pay close attention to economic data and the ongoing renegotiation of the North American Free Trade Agreement before proceeding again.

Although Fiera continues to believe the longer-term trend is towards higher yields, we are neutral on bond prices over the short-term. Canadian long bonds, over the last few months, have become somewhat overbought. We continue to believe longer yields are generally range bound in 2018 with 10-year U.S. Treasury yields trading between 2.25% and 3.25%.

Credit will be added at opportune times through new issues if spreads are attractive and political posturing is quieter. We have a position on the yield curve that favours mid-term maturities as we believe the curve will steepen.

Management Discussion of Fund Performance *(continued)*

Other Operating Items and Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2018, the ETF generated gross comprehensive income (loss) from investments and derivatives (which includes changes in the fair value of the ETF's portfolio) of \$360,274. This compares to \$712,950 for the six-month period ended June 30, 2017. The ETF incurred management, operating and transaction expenses of \$95,751 (2017 – \$97,733) of which \$46,433 (2017 – \$44,909) was either paid or absorbed by the Manager on behalf of the ETF. The waiving and/or absorption of such fees and/or expenses by the Manager may be terminated at any time, or continued indefinitely, at the discretion of the Manager.

The ETF distributed \$257,142 to Class E unitholders during the period (2017 – Class E: \$287,083, Advisor Class: \$6,718).

Presentation

The attached financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). Any mention of total net assets, net assets, net asset value or increase (decrease) in net assets in the financial statements and/or management report of fund performance is referring to net assets or increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units as reported under IFRS.

Recent Developments

There are no recent industry, management or ETF related developments that are pertinent to the present and future of the ETF.

Related Party Transactions

Certain services have been provided to the ETF by related parties and those relationships are described below.

Manager, Trustee and Investment Manager

The manager, trustee and investment manager of the ETF is Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc., 55 University Avenue, Suite 800, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2H7, a corporation incorporated under the laws of Ontario. Horizons Management is a member of the Mirae Asset Financial Group based in Seoul, South Korea.

If the ETF invests in other Horizons Management ETFs, Horizons Management may receive management fees in respect of the ETF's assets invested in such Horizons Management ETFs. In addition, any management fees paid to the Manager (described in detail on page 10) are related party transactions, as the Manager is considered to be a related party to the ETF. Fees paid to the Independent Review Committee are also considered to be related party transactions. Both the management fees and fees paid to the Independent Review Committee are disclosed in the statements of comprehensive income in the attached financial statements of the ETF. The management fees payable by the ETF as at June 30, 2018, and December 31, 2017, are disclosed in the statements of financial position.

Other Related Parties

Prior to June 30, 2017, an affiliate of National Bank of Canada ("NBC") and National Bank Financial Inc. ("NBF") held an indirect minority interest in AlphaPro Management Inc. ("AlphaPro"), the former manager of the ETF and, at the time, a subsidiary of Horizons Management. In addition, NBC holds an indirect minority interest in Fiera, the sub-advisor of the ETF.

Management Discussion of Fund Performance (continued)

Effective June 30, 2017, Horizons Management acquired the minority interest of AlphaPro owned by the affiliate of NBC mentioned above and, as a result, became the sole shareholder of AlphaPro. Accordingly, as of June 30, 2017, NBC and NBF, along with Fiera, are no longer considered affiliates or related parties of the Manager.

Effective September 30, 2017, AlphaPro amalgamated with its parent company, Horizons Management, and now the amalgamated companies carry on business as Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc.

For the periods ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, the ETF did not make any payments to related parties in broker commissions on portfolio transactions.

Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the ETF and are intended to help you understand the ETF's financial performance for the current interim period and for the past five fiscal years. This information is derived from the ETF's audited annual financial statements and the current unaudited interim financial statements. Please see the front page for information on how you may obtain the ETF's annual or interim financial statements.

The ETF's Net Assets per Unit

Class E		2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Period ⁽¹⁾							
Net assets, beginning of period	\$	9.87	9.81	10.05	10.08	9.53	10.01
Increase (decrease) from operations:							
Total revenue		0.15	0.32	0.33	0.32	0.33	0.32
Total expenses		(0.03)	(0.05)	(0.05)	(0.05)	(0.05)	(0.05)
Realized gains (losses) for the period		0.04	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.10	(0.24)
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period		–	0.06	(0.19)	(0.12)	0.45	(0.29)
Total increase (decrease) from operations ⁽²⁾		0.16	0.35	0.13	0.16	0.83	(0.26)
Distributions:							
From net investment income (excluding dividends)		(0.13)	(0.27)	(0.29)	(0.27)	(0.28)	(0.27)
From return of capital		–	(0.01)	–	–	–	–
Total distributions ⁽³⁾		(0.13)	(0.28)	(0.29)	(0.27)	(0.28)	(0.27)
Net assets, end of period ⁽⁴⁾	\$	9.90	9.87	9.81	10.05	10.08	9.53

Financial Highlights (continued)

Advisor Class		2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Period ⁽¹⁾							
Net assets, beginning of period	\$	–	9.81	10.05	10.08	9.53	10.01
Increase (decrease) from operations:							
Total revenue		–	0.10	0.33	0.32	0.33	0.32
Total expenses		–	(0.03)	(0.11)	(0.11)	(0.10)	(0.10)
Realized gains (losses) for the period		–	(0.01)	0.04	0.01	0.10	(0.24)
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period		–	0.22	0.36	(0.04)	0.45	(0.25)
Total increase (decrease) from operations ⁽²⁾		–	0.28	0.62	0.18	0.78	(0.27)
Distributions:							
From net investment income (excluding dividends)		–	(0.08)	(0.14)	(0.21)	(0.22)	(0.21)
From net realized capital gains		–	–	(0.09)	–	–	–
From return of capital		–	–	–	–	(0.01)	–
Total distributions ⁽³⁾		–	(0.08)	(0.23)	(0.21)	(0.23)	(0.21)
Net assets, end of period ⁽⁴⁾	\$	–	10.01	9.81	10.05	10.08	9.53

1. This information is derived from the ETF's unaudited interim financial statements as at June 30, 2018, and the audited annual financial statements as at December 31 of the years shown. Advisor Class information for 2017 is presented as at the termination date of those units on April 28, 2017. The ETF effectively began operations on October 10, 2012. Information is presented in accordance with IFRS.
2. Net assets per unit 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.
3. Income, dividend and/or return of capital distributions, if any, are paid in cash, reinvested in additional units of the ETF, or both. Capital gains distributions, if any, may or may not be paid in cash. Non-cash capital gains distributions are reinvested in additional units of the ETF and subsequently consolidated. They are reported as taxable distributions and increase each unitholder's adjusted cost base for their units. Neither the number of units held by the unitholder, nor the net asset per unit of the ETF change as a result of any non-cash capital gains distributions. Distributions classified as return of capital, if any, decrease each unitholder's adjusted cost base for their units. The characteristics of distributions, if any, are determined subsequent to the end of the ETF's tax year. Until such time, distributions are classified as from net investment income (excluding dividends) for reporting purposes.
4. The Financial Highlights are not intended to act as a continuity of the opening and closing net assets per unit.

Financial Highlights (continued)

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Class E							
Period ⁽¹⁾		2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Total net asset value (000's)	\$	19,529	19,966	23,407	49,621	56,558	48,233
Number of units outstanding (000's)		1,972	2,022	2,387	4,937	5,612	5,062
Management expense ratio ⁽²⁾		0.49%	0.50%	0.49%	0.48%	0.48%	0.48%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions ⁽³⁾		0.99%	0.85%	0.80%	0.61%	0.65%	0.67%
Trading expense ratio ⁽⁴⁾		0.05%	0.03%	0.02%	0.01%	0.01%	0.01%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁽⁵⁾		314.87%	407.22%	561.71%	333.11%	195.21%	177.52%
Net asset value per unit, end of period	\$	9.90	9.87	9.81	10.05	10.08	9.53
Closing market price	\$	9.91	9.90	9.86	10.14	10.06	9.52

Advisor Class

Period ⁽¹⁾		2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Total net asset value (000's)	\$	–	851	834	101	101	95
Number of units outstanding (000's)		–	85	85	10	10	10
Management expense ratio ⁽²⁾		–	1.05%	1.03%	1.05%	1.04%	1.04%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions ⁽³⁾		–	1.51%	1.36%	1.18%	1.23%	1.24%
Trading expense ratio ⁽⁴⁾		–	0.03%	0.02%	0.01%	0.01%	0.01%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁽⁵⁾		–	407.22%	561.71%	333.11%	195.21%	177.52%
Net asset value per unit, end of period	\$	–	10.01	9.81	10.05	10.08	9.53
Closing market price	\$	–	10.02	9.84	10.07	10.08	9.69

1. The information for Class E units is provided as at June 30, 2018, and December 31 of the other years shown. Advisor Class information is presented as at the termination date of those units on April 28, 2017, and December 31 of the other years shown. Information is presented in accordance with IFRS.
2. Management expense ratio is based on total expenses, including sales tax, (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period. Out of its management fees, the Manager pays for such services to the ETF as investment manager compensation, service fees and marketing.
3. The Manager, at its discretion, may waive and/or absorb a portion of the fees and/or expenses otherwise payable by the ETF. The waiving and/or absorption of such fees and/or expenses by the Manager may be terminated at any time, or continued indefinitely, at the discretion of the Manager.
4. The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period. Transaction costs related to the purchase and/or sale of fixed income securities are typically imbedded in the price of those transactions and are therefore not included in the trading expense ratio.
5. The ETF's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively its portfolio investments are traded. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the ETF buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. Generally, the higher the ETF's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the ETF in the year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of the ETF.

Financial Highlights (continued)**Management Fees**

The Manager provides, or oversees the provision of, administrative services required by the ETF including, but not limited to: negotiating contracts with certain third-party service providers, such as portfolio managers, custodians, registrars, transfer agents, auditors and printers; authorizing the payment of operating expenses incurred on behalf of the ETF; arranging for the maintenance of accounting records for the ETF; preparing reports to unitholders and to the applicable securities regulatory authorities; calculating the amount and determining the frequency of distributions by the ETF; preparing financial statements, income tax returns and financial and accounting information as required by the ETF; ensuring that unitholders are provided with financial statements and other reports as are required from time to time by applicable law; ensuring that the ETF complies with all other regulatory requirements, including the continuous disclosure obligations of the ETF under applicable securities laws; administering purchases, redemptions and other transactions in units of the ETF; and dealing and communicating with unitholders of the ETF. The Manager provides office facilities and personnel to carry out these services, if not otherwise furnished by any other service provider to the ETF. The Manager also monitors the investment strategies of the ETF to ensure that the ETF complies with its investment objectives, investment strategies and investment restrictions and practices.

In consideration for the provision of these services, the Manager receives a monthly management fee at the annual rate of 0.42%, plus applicable sales taxes, of the net asset value of the ETF's Class E units, calculated and accrued daily and payable monthly in arrears.

The Sub-Advisor is compensated for its services out of the management fees without any further cost to the ETF. Any expenses of the ETF which are waived or absorbed by the Manager are paid out of the management fees received by the Manager.

Up until the termination of the ETF's Advisor Class units on April 28, 2017, the ETF also received a monthly management fee at the annual rate of 0.92%, plus applicable sales taxes, of the net asset value of the ETF's Advisor Class units, calculated and accrued daily and payable monthly in arrears. In addition, up until the termination of the Advisor Class units, the Manager, and not the ETF, paid to registered dealers a service fee equal to 0.50% per year of the net asset value of Advisor Class units held by clients of the registered dealer. No service fees are paid to registered dealers in respect of Class E units.

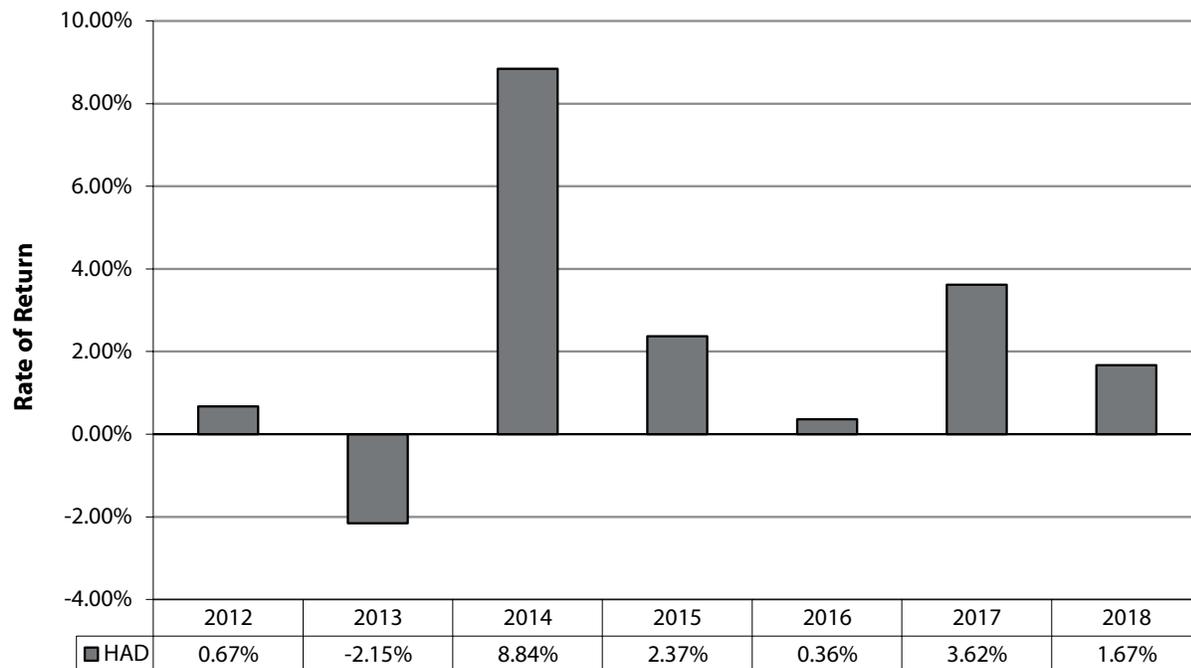
The Manager paid substantially more than 100% of the management fees it received from the ETF during the period towards marketing and promotional costs, and towards the fees associated with the managerial, portfolio management and portfolio advisory services provided to the ETF.

Past Performance

Commissions, trailing commissions, management fees and expenses all may be associated with an investment in the ETF. Please read the prospectus before investing. The indicated rates of return are the historical total returns including changes in unit value and reinvestment of all distributions, and do not take into account sales, redemptions, distributions or optional charges or income taxes payable by any investor that would have reduced returns. An investment in the ETF is not guaranteed. Its value changes frequently and past performance may not be repeated. The ETF's performance numbers assume that all distributions are reinvested in additional units of the ETF. If you hold this ETF outside of a registered plan, income and capital gains distributions that are paid to you increase your income for tax purposes whether paid to you in cash or reinvested in additional units. The amount of the reinvested taxable distributions is added to the adjusted cost base of the units that you own. This would decrease your capital gain or increase your capital loss when you later redeem from the ETF, thereby ensuring that you are not taxed on this amount again. Please consult your tax advisor regarding your personal tax situation.

Year-by-Year Returns

The following chart presents the ETF's performance for its Class E units for the periods shown. In percentage terms, the chart shows how much an investment made on the first day of the financial period would have grown or decreased by the last day of the financial period.



The ETF effectively began operations on October 10, 2012. Former Advisor Class unitholders had their units converted to Class E units of the ETF at the close of business on April 28, 2017. Assuming the former Advisor Class unitholders continue to hold the Class E units they received as part of the conversion, the returns those unitholders would have experienced for the periods disclosed above would have been substantially similar to those of the Class E unitholders, when adjusted for the differences in the expenses of the ETF paid by each class.

Summary of Investment Portfolio

As at June 30, 2018

Asset Mix	Net Asset Value	% of ETF's Net Asset Value
Canadian Fixed Income Securities	\$ 17,770,694	91.00%
U.S. Fixed Income Securities	745,509	3.82%
Cash and Cash Equivalents	836,146	4.28%
Other Assets less Liabilities	176,156	0.90%
	\$ 19,528,505	100.00%

Sector Mix	Net Asset Value	% of ETF's Net Asset Value
Corporate Bonds	\$ 7,038,437	36.04%
Government Bonds	5,485,229	28.09%
Provincial Bonds	5,235,384	26.81%
Municipal Bonds	757,153	3.88%
Cash and Cash Equivalents	836,146	4.28%
Other Assets less Liabilities	176,156	0.90%
	\$ 19,528,505	100.00%

Summary of Investment Portfolio (continued)

As at June 30, 2018

Top 25 Holdings*	% of ETF's Net Asset Value
Government of Canada	23.18%
Province of Ontario	8.50%
Province of Quebec	7.93%
Royal Office Finance L.P.	4.45%
Cash and Cash Equivalents	4.28%
TCHC Issuer Trust	3.88%
Province of Nova Scotia	2.46%
Toronto-Dominion Bank (The)	2.39%
Province of Alberta	2.30%
BP L.P.	2.22%
Royal Bank of Canada	2.15%
Cadillac Fairview Finance Trust	2.09%
HSBC Bank Canada	2.03%
KS SP L.P. / KS SP1 L.P. / ARI SP L.P./ ARI SP1 L.P.	1.94%
Province of Manitoba	1.90%
Capital City Link General Partnership	1.83%
OPB Finance Trust	1.60%
SNC-Lavalin Innisfree McGill Finance Inc.	1.54%
Leisureworld Senior Care L.P.	1.48%
Health Montreal Collective L.P.	1.37%
Canadian Western Bank	1.24%
AT&T Inc.	1.20%
Manufacturers Life Insurance Co. (The)	1.11%
TransCanada PipeLines Ltd.	1.05%
Federation des Caisses Desjardins du Quebec	1.04%

* Note all of the Top 25 Holdings, excluding cash and cash equivalents, represent the aggregate debt instruments of that issuer in the ETF's portfolio.

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to the ongoing portfolio transactions of the ETF. The most recent financial statements are available at no cost by calling 1-866-641-5739, by writing to us at 55 University Avenue, Suite 800, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2H7, by visiting our website at www.horizonsetfs.com or through SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

MANAGER’S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The accompanying unaudited interim financial statements of Horizons Active Cdn Bond ETF (the “ETF”) are the responsibility of the manager and trustee to the ETF, Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. (the “Manager”). They have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards using information available and include certain amounts that are based on the Manager’s best estimates and judgments.

The Manager has developed and maintains a system of internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that all assets are safeguarded and to produce relevant, reliable and timely financial information, including the accompanying financial statements.

These financial statements have been approved by the Board of Directors of the Manager.



Steven J. Hawkins
Director
Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc.



Taeyong Lee
Director
Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc.

NOTICE TO UNITHOLDERS

The Auditors of the ETF have not reviewed these Financial Statements.

Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc., the Manager of the ETF, appoints an independent auditor to audit the ETF’s annual financial statements.

The ETF’s independent auditors have not performed a review of these interim financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards.

Statements of Financial Position (unaudited)

As at June 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017

	2018	2017
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 836,146	\$ 1,552,082
Investments	18,516,203	18,266,773
Amounts receivable relating to accrued income	97,955	112,103
Amounts receivable relating to portfolio assets sold	517,636	91,854
Total assets	19,967,940	20,022,812
Liabilities		
Accrued management fees	7,328	7,827
Accrued operating expenses	4,376	3,038
Amounts payable for portfolio assets purchased	383,588	–
Distribution payable	44,143	45,583
Total liabilities	439,435	56,448
Total net assets (note 2)	\$ 19,528,505	\$ 19,966,364
Number of redeemable units outstanding, Class E (note 8)	1,972,436	2,022,335
Total net assets per unit, Class E	\$ 9.90	\$ 9.87

(See accompanying notes to financial statements)

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Manager:



Steven J. Hawkins



Taeyong Lee

Statements of Comprehensive Income (unaudited)

For the Periods Ended June 30,

	2018	2017
Income		
Interest income for distribution purposes	\$ 286,267	\$ 332,310
Securities lending income (note 7)	1,149	812
Net realized gain on sale of investments and derivatives	73,055	116,387
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments and derivatives	(197)	263,441
	360,274	712,950
Expenses		
Management fees (note 9)	42,747	48,070
Audit fees	7,440	7,583
Independent Review Committee fees	389	88
Custodial fees	1,018	1,059
Securityholder reporting costs	19,642	18,960
Administration fees	19,934	19,775
Transaction costs	4,487	2,131
Other expenses	94	67
	95,751	97,733
Amounts that were payable by the investment fund that were paid or absorbed by the Manager	(46,433)	(44,909)
	49,318	52,824
Increase in net assets for the period	\$ 310,956	\$ 660,126
Increase in net assets, Class E	\$ 310,956	\$ 636,391
Increase in net assets per unit, Class E	0.16	0.32
Increase in net assets, Advisor Class	\$ –	\$ 23,735
Increase in net assets per unit, Advisor Class	–	0.28

(See accompanying notes to financial statements)

Statements of Changes in Financial Position (unaudited)

For the Periods Ended June 30,

	2018	2017
Total net assets at the beginning of the period	\$ 19,966,364	\$ 24,240,168
Increase in net assets	310,956	660,126
Redeemable unit transactions		
Proceeds from the issuance of securities of the investment fund	1,715,463	4,119,856
Aggregate amounts paid on redemption of securities of the investment fund	(2,208,173)	(9,032,539)
Securities issued on reinvestment of distributions	1,037	306
Distributions:		
From net investment income	(257,142)	(293,801)
Total net assets at the end of the period	\$ 19,528,505	\$ 19,694,116
Total net assets at the beginning of the period, Class E	\$ 19,966,364	\$ 23,406,604
Increase in net assets, Class E	310,956	636,391
Redeemable unit transactions		
Proceeds from the issuance of securities of the investment fund	1,715,463	4,119,856
Aggregate amounts paid on redemption of securities of the investment fund	(2,208,173)	(8,181,958)
Securities issued on reinvestment of distributions	1,037	306
Distributions:		
From net investment income	(257,142)	(287,083)
Total net assets at the end of the period, Class E	\$ 19,528,505	\$ 19,694,116
Total net assets at the beginning of the period, Advisor Class	\$ –	\$ 833,564
Increase in net assets, Advisor Class	–	23,735
Redeemable unit transactions		
Aggregate amounts paid on redemption of securities of the investment fund	–	(850,581)
Distributions:		
From net investment income	–	(6,718)
Total net assets at the end of the period, Advisor Class	\$ –	\$ –

(See accompanying notes to financial statements)

Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited)

For the Periods Ended June 30,

	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Increase in net assets for the period	\$ 310,956	\$ 660,126
Adjustments for:		
Net realized gain on sale of investments and derivatives	(73,055)	(116,387)
Net change in unrealized depreciation (appreciation) of investments and derivatives	197	(263,441)
Purchase of investments	(57,088,997)	(51,134,394)
Proceeds from the sale of investments	56,870,231	54,760,776
Amounts receivable relating to accrued income	14,148	23,712
Accrued expenses	839	(3,363)
Net cash from operating activities	34,319	3,927,029
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Amount received from the issuance of units	1,715,463	3,269,275
Amount paid on redemptions of units	(2,208,173)	(8,181,958)
Distributions paid to unitholders	(257,545)	(308,395)
Net cash used in financing activities	(750,255)	(5,221,078)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents during the period	(715,936)	(1,294,049)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,552,082	1,300,492
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 836,146	\$ 6,443
Interest received, net of withholding taxes	\$ 300,415	\$ 356,022

(See accompanying notes to financial statements)

Schedule of Investments (unaudited)

As at June 30, 2018

Security	Par Value		Average Cost		Fair Value
CANADIAN FIXED INCOME SECURITIES (91.00%)					
Corporate Bonds (32.22%)					
AltaLink L.P., Callable, 3.72%, 2046/12/03	64,000	\$	67,055	\$	66,263
Bank of Nova Scotia (The), Variable Rate, Callable, 3.04%, 2024/10/18	147,000		148,624		147,862
bclMC Realty Corp., Series 'A', Callable, 2.15%, 2022/08/11	130,000		129,936		126,602
BP L.P., Sinkable, 3.24%, 2020/01/09	432,923		438,138		434,286
Cadillac Fairview Finance Trust, Series 'B', Callable, 4.31%, 2021/01/25	390,000		435,821		408,287
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Variable Rate, Callable, 3.45%, 2028/04/04	65,000		64,979		64,577
Canadian Western Bank, Variable Rate, Callable, 3.46%, 2024/12/17	240,000		239,832		241,464
Capital City Link General Partnership, Sinkable, Callable, 4.39%, 2046/03/31	329,810		343,579		358,078
CIBC Capital Trust, Series 'A', Variable Rate, Callable, 9.98%, 2019/06/30	155,000		204,188		165,583
CU Inc., Callable, 3.76%, 2046/11/19	116,000		119,706		120,504
Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc., Callable, 3.51%, 2047/11/29	66,000		66,000		65,420
Federation des Caisses Desjardins du Quebec, 2.39%, 2022/08/25	207,000		206,783		203,069
Health Montreal Collective L.P., Sinkable, Callable, 6.72%, 2049/09/30	200,000		250,330		268,403
HSBC Bank Canada, 2.91%, 2021/09/29	397,000		405,633		397,223
IGM Financial Inc., Callable, 3.44%, 2027/01/26	114,000		115,075		113,601
KS SP L.P. / KS SP1 L.P. / ARI SP L.P./ ARI SP1 L.P., Sinkable, 3.21%, 2019/06/15	377,743		382,134		378,579
Leisureworld Senior Care L.P., Series 'B', Callable, 3.47%, 2021/02/03	284,000		287,277		289,498
Manufacturers Life Insurance Co. (The), Variable Rate, Callable, 2.10%, 2025/06/01	219,000		219,021		216,626
North West Redwater Partnership / NWR Financing Co. Ltd., Series 'J', Callable, 2.80%, 2027/06/01	199,000		197,883		190,942
Original Wempi Inc., Series 'B2', Sinkable, Callable, 4.06%, 2024/02/13	170,604		171,005		171,766
Pembina Pipeline Corp., Series '6', Callable, 4.24%, 2027/06/15	72,000		73,375		74,587
Royal Bank of Canada, Variable Rate, Callable, 3.04%, 2024/07/17	229,000		232,369		230,024
Royal Bank of Canada, Variable Rate, Callable, 3.45%, 2026/09/29	187,000		189,020		188,557
SEC L.P. and Arci Ltd., Sinkable, Callable, 5.19%, 2033/08/29	177,346		181,460		189,419
SNC-Lavalin Innisfree McGill Finance Inc., Callable, 6.63%, 2044/06/30	232,378		290,767		299,943
TD Capital Trust IV, Series '1', Variable Rate, Callable, 9.52%, 2019/06/30	142,000		186,140		151,132
TELUS Corp., Callable, 3.63%, 2028/03/01	59,000		58,380		58,952
Toronto-Dominion Bank (The), 2.62%, 2021/12/22	146,000		149,750		145,532
Toronto-Dominion Bank (The), Variable Rate, Callable, 2.69%, 2025/06/24	124,000		124,290		123,597
Toronto-Dominion Bank (The), Variable Rate, Callable, 3.22%, 2029/07/25	79,000		79,013		77,289
Toronto-Dominion Bank (The), Variable Rate, Callable, 4.86%, 2031/03/04	111,000		124,868		119,485

Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued)

As at June 30, 2018

Security	Par Value	Average Cost	Fair Value
TransCanada PipeLines Ltd., Callable, 8.05%, 2039/02/17	83,000	127,894	126,714
TransCanada PipeLines Ltd., Callable, 4.33%, 2047/09/16	77,000	76,987	79,064
		6,387,312	6,292,928
Government Bonds (28.09%)			
Government of Canada, 0.50%, 2018/08/01	1,072,000	1,071,014	1,071,410
Government of Canada, 1.25%, 2018/09/01	1,107,000	1,106,812	1,106,682
Government of Canada, 2.00%, 2028/06/01	2,340,000	2,302,295	2,305,459
Government of Canada, 5.75%, 2033/06/01	30,000	42,582	43,453
PSP Capital Inc., Series '7', 3.29%, 2024/04/04	86,000	90,791	89,028
Royal Office Finance L.P., Series 'A', Sinkable, Callable, 5.21%, 2032/11/12	731,848	873,015	869,197
		5,486,509	5,485,229
Provincial Bonds (26.81%)			
OPB Finance Trust, Series 'F', Callable, 2.98%, 2027/01/25	106,000	105,942	105,948
OPB Finance Trust, Series 'A', Callable, 3.89%, 2042/07/04	190,000	205,574	207,574
Province of Alberta, 2.20%, 2026/06/01	227,000	226,903	218,471
Province of Alberta, 3.30%, 2046/12/01	97,000	98,310	102,575
Province of Alberta, 3.05%, 2048/12/01	127,000	123,362	128,762
Province of British Columbia, Series 'BCCD-35', 2.80%, 2048/06/18	194,000	186,320	190,879
Province of Manitoba, 3.30%, 2024/06/02	220,000	227,853	227,963
Province of Manitoba, 2.85%, 2046/09/05	150,000	146,864	142,961
Province of New Brunswick, 1.55%, 2022/05/04	127,000	123,659	122,886
Province of Nova Scotia, Series 'D8', 2.15%, 2025/06/01	247,000	243,930	238,601
Province of Nova Scotia, 4.40%, 2042/06/01	198,000	237,054	242,679
Province of Ontario, 2.85%, 2023/06/02	230,000	232,893	233,436
Province of Ontario, 3.50%, 2024/06/02	711,000	762,205	745,117
Province of Ontario, 4.65%, 2041/06/02	186,000	237,089	236,022
Province of Ontario, 3.45%, 2045/06/02	220,000	234,669	237,398
Province of Ontario, 2.80%, 2048/06/02	215,000	210,870	206,501
Province of Quebec, 3.50%, 2022/12/01	297,000	322,316	310,004
Province of Quebec, 2.75%, 2025/09/01	484,000	503,836	486,753
Province of Quebec, 4.25%, 2043/12/01	269,000	329,872	329,752
Province of Quebec, 3.50%, 2048/12/01	380,000	424,293	421,094
Province of Saskatchewan, 3.30%, 2048/06/02	94,000	94,769	100,008
		5,278,583	5,235,384
Municipal Bonds (3.88%)			
TCHC Issuer Trust, Series 'A', Callable, 4.88%, 2037/05/11	626,000	706,810	757,153
		706,810	757,153
TOTAL CANADIAN FIXED INCOME SECURITIES		17,859,214	17,770,694

Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued)

As at June 30, 2018

Security	Par Value	Average Cost	Fair Value
U.S. FIXED INCOME SECURITIES (3.82%)			
Corporate Bonds (3.82%)			
AT&T Inc., 3.83%, 2020/11/25	186,000	190,620	190,434
AT&T Inc., Callable, 2.85%, 2024/05/25	46,000	44,237	44,299
Bank of America Corp., Floating Rate, Callable, 3.30%, 2024/04/24	126,000	126,000	126,178
Metropolitan Life Global Funding I, 1.88%, 2020/04/16	195,000	194,938	192,955
Wells Fargo & Co., 3.87%, 2025/05/21	192,000	193,399	191,643
		749,194	745,509
TOTAL U.S. FIXED INCOME SECURITIES		749,194	745,509
TOTAL INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO (94.82%)		\$ 18,608,408	\$ 18,516,203
Cash and cash equivalents (4.28%)			836,146
Other assets less liabilities (0.90%)			176,156
TOTAL NET ASSETS (100.00%)			\$ 19,528,505

(See accompanying notes to financial statements)

Notes to Financial Statements (unaudited)

June 30, 2018

1. REPORTING ENTITY

Horizons Active Cdn Bond ETF (“HAD” or the “ETF”) is an investment trust established under the laws of the Province of Ontario by Declaration of Trust and effectively began operations on October 10, 2012. The address of the ETF’s registered office is: c/o Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc., 55 University Avenue, Suite 800, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2H7.

The ETF is offered for sale on a continuous basis by its prospectus in Class E units (“Class E”) which trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange (“TSX”) under the symbol HAD. An investor may buy or sell units of the ETF on the TSX only through a registered broker or dealer in the province or territory where the investor resides. Investors are able to trade units of the ETF in the same way as other securities traded on the TSX, including by using market orders and limit orders and may incur customary brokerage commissions when buying or selling units.

Prior to their termination on April 28, 2017 (*see below*), the ETF also offered for sale on a continuous basis, by its prospectus, advisor class units (“Advisor Class”) which traded on the TSX under the symbol HAD.A. Advisors were directly compensated with a service fee on a trailing quarterly basis (the “Service Fee”). The only difference between the Advisor Class and Class E units of the ETF was that the Advisor Class charged higher management fees that included the Service Fees paid to the advisor (see note 9).

The investment objective of HAD is to seek long-term returns primarily through maximized interest income and moderate capital appreciation. HAD invests primarily in a portfolio of high-quality Canadian fixed income securities denominated in Canadian dollars including government and corporate bonds.

Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. is the manager, trustee and investment manager of the ETF (“Horizons Management”, the “Manager” or the “Investment Manager”). Prior to September 30, 2017, AlphaPro Management Inc. (“AlphaPro”), a wholly owned subsidiary of Horizons Management, acted as the manager and trustee of the ETF.

Effective September 30, 2017, AlphaPro amalgamated with Horizons Management (the “Amalgamation”). Post-Amalgamation, the duties of manager and trustee for the ETF previously performed by AlphaPro were assumed by Horizons Management, in addition to its role as investment manager for the ETF. There was no change to the to the ETF’s investment objectives and strategies as result of the Amalgamation, nor to the day-to-day management of the ETF.

The Investment Manager is responsible for implementing the ETF’s investment strategies and for engaging the services of Fiera Capital Corporation (“Fiera” or the “Sub-Advisor”), to act as the sub-advisor to the ETF. The Manager is a member of the Mirae Asset Financial Group (“Mirae Asset”).

Conversion and Termination of Advisor Class units

The previously announced conversion (the “Conversion”) of the ETF’s advisor class units (“Advisor Class units”) into the ETF’s common class units (“Class E units”) was completed at the close of business on April 28, 2017 (the “Conversion Date”).

The remaining unitholders of record of the Advisor Class units as at the Conversion Date received a number of whole Class E units of the ETF with an aggregate net asset value (“NAV”) equal to the aggregate NAV of the Advisor Class units converted, based on the respective NAVs of the two classes as at the Conversion Date (the “Conversion Ratio”). The ETF’s Conversion Ratio was 1.000193, meaning, that for each Advisor Class unit of the ETF subject to the Conversion, the unitholder received 1.000193 Class E units of the ETF.

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The conversion of Advisor Class units into whole Class E units of the ETF did not give rise to a disposition by unitholders of converting Advisor Class units for tax purposes on any whole units converted. Any remaining fractional Advisor Class units were redeemed for cash and such redemption is considered a disposition for tax purposes.

Immediately following the completion of the Conversion, the Advisor Class units were terminated.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

(i) Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). Any mention of total net assets, net assets, net asset value or increase (decrease) in net assets is referring to net assets or increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units as reported under IFRS.

These financial statements were authorized for issue on August 15, 2018, by the Board of Directors of the Manager.

(ii) Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss, which are measured at fair value.

(iii) Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the ETF's functional currency.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

(a) Financial instruments

(i) Recognition, initial measurement and classification

For fiscal years beginning January 1, 2018, IFRS 9, Financial Instruments ("IFRS 9") has replaced International Accounting Standard 39, Financial Instruments – Recognition and Measurement ("IAS 39"). IFRS 9 introduces new classification and measurement requirements for financial instruments, including impairment on financial assets and hedge accounting.

This new standard requires assets to be classified based on the ETF's business model for managing the financial assets and contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The standard includes three principal classification categories for financial assets: measured at amortized cost, fair value through other comprehensive income, and fair value through profit and loss ("FVTPL"). It eliminates the existing IAS 39 categories of held to maturity, loans and receivables and available for sale. IFRS 9 largely retains the existing requirements in IAS 39 for the classification of financial liabilities

There were no changes to the measurement basis of the ETF's financial instruments as a result of adopting IFRS 9, and consequently, there was no impact to net assets.

Notes to Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued)

June 30, 2018

Financial assets and financial liabilities at FVTPL are initially recognized on the trade date, at fair value (see below), with transaction costs recognized in the statements of comprehensive income. Other financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized on the date on which they are originated at fair value.

The ETF classifies financial assets and financial liabilities into the following categories:

- Financial assets mandatorily classified at fair value through profit or loss: debt securities, equity investments and derivative financial instruments
- Financial assets at amortized cost: All other financial assets are classified as loans and receivables
- Financial liabilities mandatorily classified at fair value through profit or loss: derivative financial instruments and securities sold short, if any
- Financial liabilities at amortized cost: all other financial liabilities are classified as other financial liabilities

(ii) Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal or, in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the ETF has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

Investments are valued at fair value as of the close of business on each day upon which a session of the TSX is held ("Valuation Date") and based on external pricing sources to the extent possible. Investments held that are traded in an active market through recognized public stock exchanges, over-the-counter markets, or through recognized investment dealers, are valued at their closing sale price. However, such prices may be adjusted if a more accurate value can be obtained from recent trading activity or by incorporating other relevant information that may not have been reflected in pricing obtained from external sources. Short-term investments, including notes and money market instruments, are valued at amortized cost which approximates fair value.

Investments held that are not traded in an active market, including some derivative financial instruments, are valued using observable market inputs where possible, on such basis and in such manner as established by the Manager. Derivative financial instruments are recorded in the statements of financial position according to the gain or loss that would be realized if the contracts were closed out on the Valuation Date. Margin deposits, if any, are included in the schedule of investments as margin deposits. See also the summary of fair value measurements in note 6.

Fair value policies used for financial reporting purposes are the same as those used to measure the net asset value ("NAV") for transactions with unitholders.

The fair value of other financial assets and liabilities approximates their carrying values due to the short-term nature of these instruments.

(iii) Offsetting

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statements of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Income and expenses are presented on a net basis for gains and losses from financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss and foreign exchange gains and losses.

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(iv) Specific instruments**Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on deposit and short-term, interest bearing notes with a term to maturity of less than three months from the date of purchase.

Forward foreign exchange contracts

Forward foreign exchange contracts, if any, are valued at the current market value thereof on the Valuation Date. The value of these forward contracts is the gain or loss that would be realized if, on the Valuation Date, the positions were to be closed out and recorded as derivative assets and/or liabilities in the statements of financial position and as a net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments and derivatives in the statements of comprehensive income. When the forward contracts are closed out or mature, realized gains or losses on forward contracts are recognized and are included in the statements of comprehensive income in net realized gain (loss) on sale of investments and derivatives. The Canadian dollar value of forward foreign exchange contracts is determined using forward currency exchange rates supplied by an independent service provider.

Redeemable units

The redeemable units are measured at the present value of the redemption amounts and are considered a residual amount of the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units. They are classified as financial liabilities as a result of the ETF's requirement to distribute net income and capital gains to unitholders.

(b) Investment income

Investment transactions are accounted for as of the trade date. Realized gains and losses from investment transactions are calculated on a weighted average cost basis. The difference between fair value and average cost, as recorded in the financial statements, is included in the statements of comprehensive income as part of the net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments and derivatives. Interest income for distribution purposes from investments in bonds and short-term investments represents the coupon interest received by the ETF accounted for on an accrual basis. The ETF does not amortize premiums paid or discounts received on the purchase of fixed income securities. The ETF does not use the effective interest method. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date. Distribution income from investments in other funds or ETFs is recognized when earned.

Income from derivatives is shown in the statements of comprehensive income as net realized gain (loss) on sale of investments and derivatives; net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments and derivatives; and, interest income for distribution purposes, in accordance with its nature.

Income from securities lending, if any, is included in "Securities lending income" on the statements of comprehensive income and is recognized when earned. Any securities on loan continue to be displayed in the schedule of investments and the market value of the securities loaned and collateral held is determined daily (see note 7).

If the ETF incurs 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.

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(c) Foreign currency

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into the ETF's reporting currency using the exchange rate prevailing on the trade date. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are translated at the period-end exchange rate. Foreign exchange gains and losses are presented as "Net realized gain (loss) on foreign exchange", except for those arising from financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss, which are recognized as a component within "Net realized gain (loss) on sale of investments and derivatives" and "Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments and derivatives" in the statements of comprehensive income.

(d) Cost basis

The cost of portfolio investments is determined on an average cost basis.

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

The increase (decrease) in net assets per unit by class in the statements of comprehensive income represents the change in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units from operations attributable to each class divided by the weighted average number of units of that class outstanding during the reporting period. Income, expenses other than management fees, and realized and unrealized capital gains (losses) are distributed amongst the different classes of units in proportion to the amount invested in them. For management fees please refer to note 9.

(f) Unitholder transactions

The value at which units are issued or redeemed is determined by dividing the net asset value of the class by the total number of units outstanding of that class on the Valuation Date. Amounts received on the issuance of units and amounts paid on the redemption of units are included in the statements of changes in financial position.

(g) Amounts receivable (payable) relating to portfolio assets sold (purchased)

In accordance with the ETF's policy of trade date accounting for sale and purchase transactions, sales/purchase transactions awaiting settlement represent amounts receivable/payable for securities sold/purchased, but not yet settled as at the reporting date.

(h) Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit

Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit is calculated for each class of units of the ETF by taking the respective class' proportionate share of the ETF's net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units and dividing by the number of units of that class outstanding on the Valuation Date.

(i) Transaction costs

Transaction costs are incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, issue or disposal of an investment, which include fees and commissions paid to agents, advisors, brokers and dealers, levies by regulatory agencies and securities exchanges, and transfer taxes and duties. Transaction costs are expensed and are included in "Transaction costs" in the statements of comprehensive income.

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4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

In preparing these financial statements, the Manager has made judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to estimates are recognized prospectively.

The ETF may hold financial instruments that are not quoted in active markets, including derivatives. The determination of the fair value of these instruments is the area with the most significant accounting judgements and estimates that the ETF has made in preparing the financial statements. See note 6 for more information on the fair value measurement of the ETF's financial instruments.

5. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS RISK

In the normal course of business, the ETF's investment activities expose it to a variety of financial risks. The Manager seeks to minimize potential adverse effects of these risks for the ETF's performance by employing professional, experienced portfolio advisors, by daily monitoring of the ETF's positions and market events, and periodically may use derivatives to hedge certain risk exposures. To assist in managing risks, the Manager maintains a governance structure that oversees the ETF's investment activities and monitors compliance with the ETF's stated investment strategies, internal guidelines and securities regulations.

Please refer to the most recent prospectus for a complete discussion of the risks attributed to an investment in the units of the ETF. Significant financial instrument risks that are relevant to the ETF and an analysis of how they are managed are presented below.

(a) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates, equity prices, foreign exchange rates and credit spreads (not relating to changes in the obligor's/issuer's credit standing) will affect the ETF's income or the fair value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimizing the return.

(i) *Currency risk*

Currency risk is the risk that financial instruments which are denominated in currencies other than the ETF's reporting currency, the Canadian dollar, will fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates and adversely impact the ETF's income, cash flows or fair values of its investment holdings. The ETF may reduce its foreign currency exposure through the use of derivative arrangements such as foreign exchange forward contracts or futures contracts. As at June 30, 2018, and December 31, 2017, the ETF did not have any exposure to foreign currencies.

(ii) *Interest rate risk*

The ETF may be exposed to the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of its financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates. In general, the value of interest-bearing financial instruments will rise if interest rates fall, and conversely, will generally fall if interest rates rise. There is minimal sensitivity to interest rate fluctuation on cash and cash equivalents invested at short-term market rates since those securities are usually held to maturity and are short term in nature.

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The following table summarizes the ETF's exposure to interest rate risk, including the ETF's assets categorized by the remaining term to maturity:

Investments	Less than 1 year	1 - 3 years	3 - 5 years	> 5 years	Non-interest bearing	Total
As at	(\$000's)	(\$000's)	(\$000's)	(\$000's)	(\$000's)	(\$000's)
June 30, 2018	3,356	1,535	1,546	12,971	–	19,408
December 31, 2017	3,215	1,884	2,358	12,417	–	19,874

The percentage of the ETF's net assets exposed to interest rate risk as at June 30, 2018, was 99.4% (December 31, 2017 – 99.5%). The amount by which the net assets of the ETF would have increased or decreased, as at June 30, 2018, had the prevailing interest rates been lowered or raised by 1%, assuming a parallel shift in the yield curve, with all other variables remaining constant, was \$1,345,479 (December 31, 2017 – \$1,508,039). The ETF's interest rate sensitivity was determined based on portfolio weighted duration. In practice, actual results may differ from this sensitivity analysis.

(iii) Other market risk

Other market risk is the risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment, its issuer, or all factors affecting all instruments traded in a market or market segment. The Manager has imposed internal risk management controls on the ETF which are intended to limit the loss on its trading activities.

The table below shows the estimated impact on the ETF of a 1% increase or decrease in a broad-based market index, based on historical correlation, with all other factors remaining constant, as at the dates shown. In practice, actual results may differ from this sensitivity analysis and the difference could be material. The historical correlation may not be representative of future correlation.

Comparative Index	June 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
ICE BofA Merrill Lynch Canada Broad Market Index	\$179,948	\$184,079

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk on financial instruments is the risk of a financial loss occurring as a result of the default of a counterparty on its obligation to the ETF. It arises principally from debt securities held, and also from derivative financial assets, cash and cash equivalents, and other receivables. The ETF's maximum credit risk exposure as at the reporting date is represented by the respective carrying amounts of the financial assets in the statements of financial position. The ETF's credit risk policy is to minimise its exposure to counterparties with perceived higher risk of default by dealing only with counterparties that meet the credit standards set out in the ETF's prospectus and by taking collateral.

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Analysis of credit quality

The ETF's credit risk exposure by designated rating of the invested portfolio as at June 30, 2018, and December 31, 2017, is listed as follows:

Debt or Derivative Securities by Credit Rating	Percentage of Net Asset Value (%)	
	June 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
AAA	35.3%	29.2%
AA	33.4%	23.5%
A	18.8%	38.6%
BBB	11.9%	8.2%
Total	99.4%	99.5%

Designated ratings are obtained by Standard & Poor's, Moody's and/or Dominion Bond Rating Services. Where more than one rating is obtained for a security, the lowest rating has been used. Credit risk is managed by dealing with counterparties the ETF believes to be creditworthy and by regular monitoring of credit exposures. The maximum exposure to any one debt issuer as of June 30, 2018, was 23.9% (December 31, 2017 – 21.6%) of the net assets of the ETF.

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the ETF will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The ETF's policy and the investment manager's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stress conditions, including estimated redemptions of shares, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the ETF's reputation. All financial liabilities are generally due within 90 days. Liquidity risk is managed by investing the majority of the ETF's assets in investments that are traded in an active market and can be readily disposed. The ETF aims to retain sufficient cash and cash equivalent positions to maintain liquidity; therefore, the liquidity risk for the ETF is considered minimal.

6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

Below is a classification of fair value measurements of the ETF's investments based on a three level fair value hierarchy and a reconciliation of transactions and transfers within that hierarchy. The hierarchy of fair valuation inputs is summarized as follows:

- Level 1: securities that are valued based on quoted prices in active markets.
- Level 2: securities that are valued based on inputs other than quoted prices that are observable, either directly as prices, or indirectly as derived from prices.
- Level 3: securities that are valued with significant unobservable market data.

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Changes in valuation methods may result in transfers into or out of an investment's assigned level. The following is a summary of the inputs used as at June 30, 2018, and December 31, 2017, in valuing the ETF's investments and derivatives carried at fair values:

	June 30, 2018			December 31, 2017		
	Level 1 (\$)	Level 2 (\$)	Level 3 (\$)	Level 1 (\$)	Level 2 (\$)	Level 3 (\$)
Financial Assets						
Bonds	–	18,516,203	–	–	17,882,398	–
Mortgage Backed Securities	–	–	–	–	384,375	–
Total Financial Assets	–	18,516,203	–	–	18,266,773	–
Total Financial Liabilities	–	–	–	–	–	–
Net Financial Assets and Liabilities	–	18,516,203	–	–	18,266,773	–

There were no significant transfers made between Levels 1 and 2 as a result of changes in the availability of quoted market prices or observable market inputs during the period or year shown. In addition, there were no investments or transactions classified in Level 3 for the period ended June 30, 2018, and for the year ended December 31, 2017.

7. SECURITIES LENDING

In order to generate additional returns, the ETF is authorized to enter into securities lending agreements with borrowers deemed acceptable in accordance with National Instrument 81-102 – *Investment Funds* ("NI 81-102"). Under a securities lending agreement, the borrower must pay the ETF a negotiated securities lending fee, provide compensation to the ETF equal to any distributions received by the borrower on the securities borrowed, and the ETF must receive an acceptable form of collateral in excess of the value of the securities loaned. Although such collateral is marked to market, the ETF may be exposed to the risk of loss should a borrower default on its obligations to return the borrowed securities and the collateral is insufficient to reconstitute the portfolio of loaned securities. Revenue, if any, earned on securities lending transactions during the period is disclosed in the ETF's statements of comprehensive income.

The aggregate closing market value of securities loaned and collateral received as at June 30, 2018, and December 31, 2017, was as follows:

As at	Securities Loaned	Collateral Received
June 30, 2018	\$5,112,953	\$5,389,600
December 31, 2017	\$4,944,550	\$5,202,814

Collateral may comprise, but is not limited to, cash and obligations of or guaranteed by the Government of Canada or a province thereof; by the United States government or its agencies; by some sovereign states; by permitted supranational agencies; and short-term debt of Canadian financial institutions, if, in each case, the evidence of indebtedness has a designated rating as defined by NI 81-102.

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The table below presents a reconciliation of the securities lending income as presented in the statements of comprehensive income for the periods ended June 30, 2018 and 2017. It shows the gross amount of securities lending revenues generated from the securities lending transactions of the ETF, less any taxes withheld and amounts earned by parties entitled to receive payments out of the gross amount as part of any securities lending agreements.

For the periods ended	June 30, 2018	% of Gross Income	June 30, 2017	% of Gross Income
Gross securities lending income	\$1,649		\$1,191	
Withholding taxes	(9)	0.55%	(32)	2.69%
Lending Agents' fees:				
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	(491)	29.77%	(347)	29.13%
Net securities lending income paid to the ETF	\$1,149	69.68%	\$812	68.18%

8. REDEEMABLE UNITS

The ETF is authorized to issue an unlimited number of redeemable, transferable Class E units each of which represents an equal, undivided interest in the net assets of the ETF. Each unit entitles the owner to one vote at meetings of unitholders. Each unit is entitled to participate equally with all other units with respect to all payments made to unitholders, other than management fee distributions, whether by way of income or capital distributions and, on liquidation, to participate equally in the net assets of the ETF remaining after satisfaction of any outstanding liabilities that are attributable to units of that class of the ETF. All units will be fully paid and non-assessable, with no liability for future assessments, when issued and will not be transferable except by operation of law.

Prior to the Conversion transaction and subsequent termination of the Advisor Class units described in note 1, the ETF was authorized to issue an unlimited number of redeemable, transferable Advisor Class units each of which had the same rights and privileges as the Class E units.

The redeemable units issued by the ETF provide an investor with the right to require redemption for cash at a value proportionate to the investor's share in the ETF's net assets at each redemption date. They are classified as liabilities as a result of the ETF's requirement to distribute net income and capital gains to unitholders. The ETF's objectives in managing the redeemable units are to meet the ETF's investment objective, and to manage liquidity risk arising from redemptions. The ETF's management of liquidity risk arising from redeemable units is discussed in note 5.

On any trading day, which is defined as the day that a net asset value of the ETF is being struck, unitholders of the ETF may (i) redeem units of the ETF for cash at a redemption price per unit equal to 95% of the closing price for units of the ETF on the TSX on the effective day of the redemption, where the units being redeemed are not equal to a prescribed number of units ("PNU") or a multiple PNU; or (ii) redeem, less any applicable redemption charge as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion from time to time, a PNU or a multiple PNU of the ETF for cash equal to the net asset value of that number of units.

Subject to regulatory and other necessary third party approvals, a stock exchange sponsored execution program may become available which would allow investors to purchase and sell Class E units of the ETF based on transaction prices calculated as at the end-of-day net asset value, plus any fee payable to the investor's dealer for the dealer's facilitation of the purchase or sale. The Manager will issue a news release announcing the details of any such stock exchange sponsored execution program.

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Units of the ETF are issued or redeemed on a daily basis at the net asset value per security that is determined as at 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) each business day. Purchase and redemption orders are subject to a 9:30 a.m. (Eastern Time) cut-off time.

The ETF is required to distribute any net income and capital gains that it has earned in the year. Income earned by the ETF is distributed to unitholders at least once per year, if necessary, and these distributions are either paid in cash or reinvested by unitholders into additional units of the ETF. Net realized capital gains, if any, are typically distributed in December of each year to unitholders. The annual capital gains distributions are not paid in cash but rather, are reinvested and reported as taxable distributions and used to increase each unitholder's adjusted cost base for the ETF. Distributions paid to holders of redeemable units are recognized in the statements of changes in financial position.

Please consult the ETF's most recent prospectus for a full description of the subscription, exchange and redemption features of the ETF's units.

For the periods ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, the number of units issued by subscription and/or distribution reinvestment, the number of units redeemed, the total and average number of units outstanding was as follows:

Class of Units	Period	Beginning Units Outstanding	Units Issued	Units Redeemed	Ending Units Outstanding	Average Units Outstanding
Class E	2018	2,022,335	175,101	(225,000)	1,972,436	1,901,942
	2017	2,387,209	410,044	(825,000)	1,972,253	2,003,003
Advisor Class	2017	85,000	–	(85,000)	–	85,000

The Class E units issued and Advisor Class units redeemed for the period ended June 30, 2017, include the units converted as part of any monthly conversion privileges as well as any converted as part of the Conversion transaction described in note 1. These non-cash conversion transactions were equal to \$850,581 and have not been included in the statements of cash flows. Advisor Class units were terminated on April 28, 2017.

9. EXPENSES

Management fees

The Manager provides, or oversees the provision of, administrative services required by the ETF including, but not limited to: negotiating contracts with certain third-party service providers, such as portfolio managers, custodians, registrars, transfer agents, auditors and printers; authorizing the payment of operating expenses incurred on behalf of the ETF; arranging for the maintenance of accounting records for the ETF; preparing reports to unitholders and to the applicable securities regulatory authorities; calculating the amount and determining the frequency of distributions by the ETF; preparing financial statements, income tax returns and financial and accounting information as required by the ETF; ensuring that unitholders are provided with financial statements and other reports as are required from time to time by applicable law; ensuring that the ETF complies with all other regulatory requirements, including the continuous disclosure obligations of the ETF under applicable securities laws; administering purchases, redemptions and other transactions in units of the ETF; and dealing and communicating with unitholders of the ETF. The Manager provides office facilities and personnel to carry out these services, if not otherwise furnished by any other service provider to the ETF. The Manager also monitors the investment strategies of the ETF to ensure that the ETF complies with its investment objectives, investment strategies and investment restrictions and practices.

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In consideration for the provision of these services, the Manager receives a monthly management fee at the annual rate of 0.42%, plus applicable sales taxes, of the net asset value of the ETF's Class E units, calculated and accrued daily and payable monthly in arrears. The Sub-Advisor is compensated for its services out of the management fees without any further cost to the ETF. Any expenses of the ETF which are waived or absorbed by the Manager are paid out of the management fees received by the Manager.

Up until the termination of the ETF's Advisor Class units on April 28, 2017, as described in note 1, the ETF also received a monthly management fee at the annual rate of 0.92%, plus applicable sales taxes, of the net asset value of the ETF's Advisor Class units, calculated and accrued daily and payable monthly in arrears. In addition, up until the termination of the Advisor Class units, the Manager, and not the ETF, paid to registered dealers a service fee equal to 0.50% per year of the net asset value of Advisor Class units held by clients of the registered dealer. No service fees are paid to registered dealers in respect of Class E units.

Other expenses

Unless otherwise waived or reimbursed by the Manager, the ETF pays all of its operating expenses, including but not limited to: audit fees; trustee and custodial expenses; valuation, accounting and record keeping costs; legal expenses; permitted prospectus preparation and filing expenses; costs associated with delivering documents to unitholders; listing and annual stock exchange fees; index licensing fees, if applicable; fees payable to CDS Clearing and Depository Services Inc.; bank related fees and interest charges; extraordinary expenses; unitholder reports and servicing costs; registrar and transfer agent fees; costs of the Independent Review Committee; income taxes; sales taxes; brokerage expenses and commissions; and withholding taxes.

The Manager, at its discretion, may waive and/or absorb a portion of the fees and/or expenses otherwise payable by the ETF. The waiving and/or absorption of such fees and/or expenses by the Manager may be terminated at any time, or continued indefinitely, at the discretion of the Manager.

10. BROKER COMMISSIONS, SOFT DOLLARS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Prior to June 30, 2017, an affiliate of National Bank of Canada ("NBC") and National Bank Financial Inc. ("NBF") held an indirect minority interest in AlphaPro. NBF acted as a designated broker, an underwriter and/or a registered trader (market maker). NBC, NBF and its affiliates may, at present or in the future, engage in business with the ETF, the issuers of securities making up the investment portfolio of the ETF, or with the Manager or any funds sponsored by the Manager or its affiliates, including by making loans, executing brokerage transactions, entering into derivative transactions or providing advisory or agency services.

Effective June 30, 2017, Horizons Management acquired the minority interest of AlphaPro owned by an affiliate of NBC and as a result, became the sole shareholder of AlphaPro. Accordingly, NBC and NBF, along with Fiera, are no longer considered affiliates or related parties of Horizons Management and, prior to the Amalgamation, AlphaPro.

Brokerage commissions paid on securities transactions may include amounts paid to related parties of the Manager for brokerage services provided to the ETF.

Research and system usage related services received in return for commissions generated with specific dealers are generally referred to as soft dollars.

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Total brokerage commissions paid to dealers in connection with investment portfolio transactions, soft dollar transactions incurred and amounts paid to related parties of the Manager for the periods ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, were as follows:

Period Ended	Brokerage Commissions Paid	Soft Dollar Transactions	Amount Paid to Related Parties
June 30, 2018	\$nil	\$nil	\$nil
June 30, 2017	\$nil	\$nil	\$nil

In addition to the information contained in the table above, the management fees paid to the Manager described in note 9 are related party transactions, as the Manager is considered to be a related party to the ETF. Fees paid to the Independent Review Committee are also considered to be related party transactions. Both the management fees and fees paid to the Independent Review Committee are disclosed in the statements of comprehensive income. The management fees payable by the ETF as at June 30, 2018, and December 31, 2017, are disclosed in the statements of financial position.

The ETF may invest in other ETFs managed by the Manager or its affiliates, in accordance with the ETF's investment objectives and strategies. Such investments, if any, are disclosed in the schedule of investments.

11. INCOME TAX

The ETF has qualified as a mutual fund trust under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) (the "Tax Act") and accordingly, is not taxed on the portion of taxable income that is paid or allocated to unitholders. As well, tax refunds (based on redemptions and realized and unrealized gains during the year) may be available that would make it possible to retain some net capital gains in the ETF without incurring any income taxes.

12. TAX LOSSES CARRIED FORWARD

Capital losses for income tax purposes may be carried forward indefinitely and applied against capital gains realized in future years. Non-capital losses carried forwards may be applied against future years' taxable income. Non-capital losses that are realized in the current taxation year may be carried forward for 20 years. As at December 31, 2017, the ETF had net capital losses and/or non-capital losses, with the year of expiry of the non-capital losses as follows:

Net Capital Losses	Non-Capital Losses	Year of Expiry
\$695,473	–	–

13. OFFSETTING OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

In the normal course of business, the ETF may enter into various master netting arrangements or other similar agreements that do not meet the criteria for offsetting in the statements of financial position but still allow for the related amounts to be set off in certain circumstances, such as bankruptcy or termination of the contracts. As at June 30, 2018, and December 31, 2017, the ETF did not have any financial instruments eligible for offsetting.

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14. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES, ASSOCIATES AND UNCONSOLIDATED STRUCTURED ENTITIES

The ETF may invest in units of other ETFs as part of its investment strategies ("Investee ETF(s)"). The nature and purpose of these Investee ETFs generally, is to manage assets on behalf of third party investors in accordance with their investment objectives, and are financed through the issue of units to investors.

In determining whether the ETF has control or significant influence over an Investee ETF, the ETF assesses voting rights, the exposure to variable returns, and its ability to use the voting rights to affect the amount of the returns. In instances where the ETF has control over an Investee ETF, the ETF qualifies as an investment entity under IFRS 10 - *Consolidated Financial Statements*, and therefore accounts for investments it controls at fair value through profit and loss. The ETF's primary purpose is defined by its investment objectives and uses the investment strategies available to it as defined in the ETF's prospectus to meet those objectives. The ETF also measures and evaluates the performance of any Investee ETFs on a fair value basis.

Investee ETFs over which the ETF has control or significant influence are categorized as subsidiaries and associates, respectively. All other Investee ETFs are categorized as unconsolidated structured entities. Investee ETFs may be managed by the Manager, its affiliates, or by third-party managers.

Investments in Investee ETFs are susceptible to market price risk arising from uncertainty about future values of those Investee ETFs. The maximum exposure to loss from interests in Investee ETFs is equal to the total fair value of the investment in those respective Investee ETFs at any given point in time. The fair value of Investee ETFs, if any, are disclosed in investments in the statements of financial position and listed in the schedule of investments. As at June 30, 2018, and December 31, 2017, the ETF had no exposure to subsidiaries, associates or unconsolidated structured entities.

15. COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Certain information in the comparative financial statements and/or notes to the financial statements for 2017 has been reclassified to conform to the financial statement presentation adopted for 2018.

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