Performance Summary

- For Q3 2015, the Mackenzie Corporate Bond Fund returned -5.0% versus the blended index¹ return of -1.3%
- The Fund underperformed the benchmark largely because of currency. The Fund hedges its foreign currency exposure while the benchmark is unhedged. The Canadian dollar was weak relative to the U.S. dollar and the Fund did not benefit because of the hedge.

Contributors to Performance

- Positioning within metals & mining, industrials, and energy benefited returns in the portfolio
- At the issuer level, underweight allocations to Bombardier, First Quantum Minerals, and Jupiter Resources were the biggest contributors to relative returns during the period.

Detractors from Performance

- Allocations within food & beverages, utilities, and cable & satellite detracted from relative performance
- Overweight allocations to Vantage Drilling, EP Energy and Paragon Offshore were the biggest detractors from performance relative to the index at the issuer level

Portfolio Activity

- At the end of the quarter, the Fund's exposure to energy was 19.9% (down from 21.8% at the beginning of the period); almost identical to the benchmark weight
- Relative to the benchmark the Fund was overweight BBB securities and underweight BB and B securities. This compares to the beginning to the quarter where the Fund was underweight BBB, overweight BB and underweight B. The Fund's overall average credit rating is BB while the average credit quality of the new blended benchmark is BB-
- The Fund's duration at 4.0 years is just lower than the benchmark's duration of 4.2 years
- The Fund is invested approximately 70.7% in high yield bonds and 23.9% in investment grade bonds.

Outlook

- The Federal Reserve's (Fed) decision to stay on hold at the September FOMC meeting was not unexpected, but there was some genuine uncertainty going into the meeting about how the Fed would balance the strength of the domestic economy with the risks from overseas weakness. The dovish comments ultimately left the market with even more uncertainty. Overall, it seems that the Fed wants to hike, and is highly likely to hike, unless risks to the outlook increase. Should hikes occur in coming months, the Fed will be making the bet that the domestic parts of the economy are strong enough not to be derailed by developments in energy and mining and globally exposed companies. But the real test is likely to be in the labor market and the overall pace of job creation at a time when extractive industries and manufacturing are likely to continue to shed jobs. We continue to be on the optimistic side of this particular issue, but we are beginning to revise down our estimate of how much the Fed can move next year. It would be a surprise if the fed funds rate at the end of 2016 is more than 75 bps higher than it is currently. Unfortunately, the dollar will likely take more of the strain.
- Growth continues to be muted in Canada on the heels of depressed commodity prices, which has put significant pressure on commodity related businesses. September however saw improvements in labor market in Canada and the Bank of Canada decided to keep rates unchanged in their September meeting.
- Although the U.S. and Canadian high-yield market has experienced considerable pressure over the past several months, our view regarding the fundamental landscape of the asset class has not frayed. U.S. economic growth is steady, highlighted by two consecutive upward revisions to Q2 GDP, while corporate balance sheets are still healthy. The default environment has slowly accelerated, although it continues to be a function of weakness in commodity-sensitive companies. With that being said, we



believe aggregate default rates in the high-yield market will remain below historical averages. From a valuation standpoint, highyield spreads have widened considerably since the beginning of June. We believe these levels are attractive against a backdrop of favorable fundamentals. Despite our constructive view on fundamentals and valuations, we remain cognizant of Fed policy, global growth, and the technical landscape given recent volatility in risk assets.

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To the extent the Fund uses any currency hedges, share performance is referenced to the applicable foreign country terms and such hedges will provide the Fund with returns approximating the returns an investor in a foreign country would earn in their local currency.

Fund and Benchmark Performance as at: September 30, 2015	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years
Mackenzie Corporate Bond Fund Series A	-4.2%	2.2%	4.5%	4.6%
¹ Blended Index (comprised of 50% BofAML Canada High Yield Index (\$CAD) and 50% BofA/ML U.S. High Yield Master II Index (\$CDN))	9.0%	12.0%	10.0%	7.0%

