

# CI G5|20 2040 Q4 Fund

Management Report of Fund Performance for the period ended September 30, 2018

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Securityholders may also contact us using one of these methods to request a copy of the investment fund's proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record, or quarterly portfolio disclosure.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The net asset value of the Fund decreased by \$2.9 million to \$82.3 million from March 31, 2018 to September 30, 2018. The Fund had net redemptions of \$4.2 million during the period. The portfolio's performance increased assets by \$1.3 million. Class A units returned 1.3% after fees and expenses for the six-month period ended September 30, 2018. Over the same time period, the Fund's benchmark returned 3.9%. The benchmark is a combination of the FTSE TMX Canada Universe Bond Total Return Index - 40%, the MSCI World Total Return Index - 35% and the S&P/TSX Composite Total Return Index - 25%.

The performance of the Fund's other classes is substantially similar to that of Class A units, except for differences in the structure of fees and expenses. For the returns of the Fund's other classes, please refer to the "Past performance" section.

The following commentary pertains to the results of operations of the underlying funds.

Global equity markets were generally flat to slightly positive over the period with the U.S. market being the only strong performer. This is part of an ongoing pattern since the beginning of the year, whereby the global economy is no longer synchronized the way it was in 2017. The U.S. economy continues to accelerate while the rest of the world is decelerating. While Europe experienced a slowdown, its economy remains resilient. Emerging markets were a more mixed picture with some countries decelerating more meaningfully than others. These differences were well reflected in stock market returns.

In Canadian dollar terms, the S&P 500 Index was up 11.9% for the period while the S&P/TSX Composite Index was up 6.2%. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index was down 8.4%. Such is the fiscal impact of U.S. tax cuts for corporations and individuals. It has also provided a confidence boost to consumers in the U.S. generally where consumer confidence is at levels not seen since 2000. Unemployment is at generational lows below 2% and salaries are growing just above 2%.

The strong U.S. economic position also helped the U.S. dollar against most major currencies during the period but the positive correlation between the dollar and superior U.S. growth and higher U.S. rate differentials appears to be weakening.

Within the income portion, our diversified exposure to high-yield corporate bonds, as well as, lower duration on the bond portion added relative value. However, exposure to the U.S. dollar hurt relative performance. Within the equity portion, poor performance in the U.S. and Canadian equity pools detracted value. The portfolio's overall asset allocation made a positive contribution, due largely to an underweight position in Canadian equities. Currency hedging mitigated some foreign investment losses. Our largest underweight exposure is in the financials sector and the positioning within the sector is more diversified than the benchmark. We had overweight exposure to defensive sectors,

such as health care and consumer staples, and were underweight in cyclical and interest-rate-sensitive sectors, such as energy and telecommunications services.

The Fund underperformed its benchmark for the period.

## RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

A strong U.S. economy is keeping the Federal Reserve on track to increase interest rates, which is putting upward pressure on the U.S. dollar. While the U.S. is capable of absorbing higher interest rates, the rest of the world is having more difficulty because of the quantity of U.S.-dollar debt issued by corporations around the world in the past several years.

Although the growth outlook remains constructive in major economies, particularly in the U.S., we note downside risks as global markets adjust to the reversal of accommodative financial conditions that have been in place for the last decade. As such, we stand ready to manage these risks.

Effective September 20, 2018, Tom Eisenhauer became a member of the Board of Governors ("BOG") and Independent Review Committee ("IRC"), and effective October 15, 2018, Mary Robertson resigned as a member of the BOG and IRC.

## RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

### **Manager, Portfolio Advisor, Trustee and Registrar**

CI Investments Inc. is the Manager, Portfolio Advisor, Trustee and Registrar of the Fund. CI Investments Inc. is a subsidiary of CI Financial Corp. The Manager, in consideration for management fees, provides management services required in the day-to-day operations of the Fund. The Portfolio Advisor, in consideration for risk management fees, acts as Risk Manager to the Fund and is responsible for providing and overseeing the risk management strategy for the Fund. The Manager bears all of the operating expenses of the Fund (other than taxes, borrowing costs, investment sub-advisory costs paid to the Protection Manager and new governmental fees) in return for a fixed administration fee.

Management fee and fixed administration fee rates as at September 30, 2018, for each of the classes are shown below:

|                | Annual management fee rate (%) | Annual fixed administration fee rate (%) |
|----------------|--------------------------------|--|
| <b>Class A</b> | 2.500*                         | 0.22                                     |
| <b>Class F</b> | 1.500*                         | 0.22                                     |
| <b>Class O</b> | Paid directly by investor      | 0.15                                     |

\*This is the aggregated management fees payable annually to the Manager (Risk Manager and Portfolio Manager) based on the value of the assets in the Active Portfolio.

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The Manager received \$0.6 million in management fees and risk management fees and \$0.01 million in fixed administration fees for the period.

## **Management Fees**

Approximately 26% of total management fees were used to pay for sales and trailing commissions. The remaining 74% of management fees were used for investment management and other general administration.

## **Independent Review Committee**

The Fund received standing instructions from the Fund's Independent Review Committee with respect to the following related party transactions:

- a) trades in securities of CI Financial Corp.;
- b) purchases or sales of securities of an issuer from or to another investment fund managed by the Manager; and
- c) purchases or sales of other investment funds managed by the Manager or their affiliates.

The applicable standing instructions require that related party transactions be conducted in accordance with the Manager's policies and procedures and that the Manager advise the IRC of any material breach of a condition of the standing instructions. The standing instructions require, among other things, that investment decisions in respect of related party transactions (a) are free from any influence by an entity related to the Manager and without taking into account any consideration relevant to an entity related to the Manager; (b) represent the business judgment of the Manager uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Fund; (c) are made in compliance with the Manager's policies and procedures; and (d) achieve a fair and reasonable result for the Fund. Transactions made by the Manager under the standing instructions are subsequently reviewed by the IRC on a quarterly basis to monitor compliance.

The Fund relied on the IRC's standing instructions regarding related party transactions during this reporting period.

Except as otherwise noted above, the Fund was not a party to any related party transactions during the period ended September 30, 2018.

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the past periods.

| Net Assets per Unit (\$) <sup>(1)(2)(4)</sup> | Increase (decrease) from operations:                 |               |  |  |  | Distributions:   |  |                |                    |                   | Net assets at the end of the period shown <sup>(3)</sup> |                                       |
|---|--|---------------|--|--|--|--|--|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
|   | Net assets at the beginning of period <sup>(2)</sup> | Total revenue | Total expenses (excluding distributions) | Realized gains (losses) for the period | Unrealized gains (losses) for the period | Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup> | From net investment income (excluding dividends) | From dividends | From capital gains | Return of capital |  | Total distributions <sup>(2)(3)</sup> |
|   | \$   | \$            | \$                                       | \$                                     | \$                                       | \$   | \$   | \$             | \$                 | \$                | \$   | \$                                    |
| <b>Class A</b>                                |  |               |  |  |  |  |  |                |                    |                   |  |                                       |
| Commencement of operations October 1, 2015    |  |               |  |  |  |  |  |                |                    |                   |  |                                       |
| Sept. 30, 2018                                | 10.65  | 0.14          | (0.16)                                   | 0.06                                   | 0.10                                     | 0.14   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 10.79                                 |
| Mar. 31, 2018                                 | 10.58  | 0.37          | (0.33)                                   | 0.46                                   | (0.73)                                   | (0.23)   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 10.65                                 |
| Mar. 31, 2017                                 | 9.81   | 0.33          | (0.31)                                   | 0.10                                   | 0.64                                     | 0.76   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 10.58                                 |
| Mar. 31, 2016                                 | 10.00  | 0.16          | (0.11)                                   | 0.37                                   | (0.70)                                   | (0.28)   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 9.81                                  |
| <b>Class F</b>                                |  |               |  |  |  |  |  |                |                    |                   |  |                                       |
| Commencement of operations October 1, 2015    |  |               |  |  |  |  |  |                |                    |                   |  |                                       |
| Sept. 30, 2018                                | 10.92  | 0.15          | (0.11)                                   | 0.07                                   | 0.10                                     | 0.21   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 11.13                                 |
| Mar. 31, 2018                                 | 10.72  | 0.41          | (0.21)                                   | 0.58                                   | (0.98)                                   | (0.20)   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 10.92                                 |
| Mar. 31, 2017                                 | 9.83   | 0.32          | (0.19)                                   | (0.01)                                 | 0.73                                     | 0.85   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 10.72                                 |
| Mar. 31, 2016                                 | 10.00  | 0.15          | (0.07)                                   | 0.34                                   | (0.66)                                   | (0.24)   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 9.83                                  |
| <b>Class O</b>                                |  |               |  |  |  |  |  |                |                    |                   |  |                                       |
| Commencement of operations October 1, 2015    |  |               |  |  |  |  |  |                |                    |                   |  |                                       |
| Sept. 30, 2018                                | 11.19  | 0.15          | (0.05)                                   | 0.07                                   | 0.10                                     | 0.27   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 11.46                                 |
| Mar. 31, 2018                                 | 10.87  | 0.39          | (0.09)                                   | 0.47                                   | (0.73)                                   | 0.04   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 11.19                                 |
| Mar. 31, 2017                                 | 9.86   | 0.33          | (0.09)                                   | 0.11                                   | 0.66                                     | 1.01   | -  | -              | -                  | -                 | -  | 10.87                                 |
| Mar. 31, 2016                                 | 10.00  | 0.17          | (0.03)                                   | 0.39                                   | (0.75)                                   | (0.22)   | (0.02)   | -              | -                  | -                 | (0.02)   | 9.86                                  |

(1) This information is derived from the Fund's semi-annual and annual financial statements.

(2) Net assets per unit and distributions per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding for the relevant class at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) in net assets from operations per unit is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding for the relevant class over the fiscal period.

(3) Distributions are automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

(4) This information is provided for the period ended September 30, 2018 and the years ended March 31.

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont'd)

### Ratios and Supplemental Data <sup>(1)(5)</sup>

|  | Total net<br>assets <sup>(1)</sup><br>\$000's | Number<br>of units<br>outstanding <sup>(1)</sup><br>000's | Management<br>expense ratio<br>before taxes <sup>(2)</sup><br>% | Harmonized<br>sales tax <sup>(2)</sup><br>% | Management<br>expense ratio<br>after taxes <sup>(2)</sup><br>% | Effective HST<br>rate for the<br>period <sup>(2)</sup><br>% | Trading<br>expense ratio <sup>(3)</sup><br>% | Portfolio<br>turnover rate <sup>(4)</sup><br>% |
|--|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| <b>Class A</b>                             |   |   |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| Commencement of operations October 1, 2015 |   |   |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| Sept. 30, 2018                             | 62,309  | 5,773   | 2.72  | 0.30  | 3.02   | 11.21   | 0.08   | 1.61   |
| Mar. 31, 2018                              | 64,757  | 6,078   | 2.76  | 0.31  | 3.07   | 11.35   | 0.10   | 16.19  |
| Mar. 31, 2017                              | 14,767  | 1,396   | 2.72  | 0.28  | 3.00   | 11.43   | 0.09   | 14.26  |
| Mar. 31, 2016                              | 14,740  | 1,503   | 1.99  | 0.24  | 2.23   | 9.75  | 0.15   | 148.67   |
| <b>Class F</b>                             |   |   |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| Commencement of operations October 1, 2015 |   |   |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| Sept. 30, 2018                             | 5,118   | 460   | 1.72  | 0.20  | 1.92   | 11.67   | 0.08   | 1.61   |
| Mar. 31, 2018                              | 5,187   | 475   | 1.74  | 0.20  | 1.94   | 11.42   | 0.10   | 16.19  |
| Mar. 31, 2017                              | 823   | 77  | 1.72  | 0.16  | 1.88   | 11.02   | 0.09   | 14.26  |
| Mar. 31, 2016                              | 1,128   | 115   | 1.18  | 0.14  | 1.32   | 9.75  | 0.15   | 148.67   |
| <b>Class O</b>                             |   |   |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| Commencement of operations October 1, 2015 |   |   |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| Sept. 30, 2018                             | 14,909  | 1,301   | 0.75  | 0.06  | 0.81   | 8.45  | 0.08   | 1.61   |
| Mar. 31, 2018                              | 15,272  | 1,365   | 0.76  | 0.07  | 0.83   | 10.66   | 0.10   | 16.19  |
| Mar. 31, 2017                              | 3,782   | 348   | 0.75  | 0.06  | 0.81   | 11.56   | 0.09   | 14.26  |
| Mar. 31, 2016                              | 3,685   | 374   | 0.59  | 0.06  | 0.65   | 9.75  | 0.15   | 148.67   |

(1) This information is derived from the Fund's semi-annual and annual financial statements.

(2) Management expense ratio is calculated based on expenses charged to the Fund (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets for the period, including the Fund's proportionate share of any underlying fund(s) expenses, if applicable. The Effective HST tax rate is calculated using the attribution percentage for each province based on unitholder residency and can be different from 13%.

(3) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period, including the Fund's proportionate share of such expenses of any underlying fund(s), if applicable.

(4) The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the fiscal period. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a higher turnover rate and the performance of a Fund. Portfolio turnover rate is calculated by dividing the lesser of the cost of purchases and the proceeds of sales of portfolio securities for the period, and excluding cash and short-term investments maturing in less than one year, and before assets acquired from a merger, if applicable, by the average of the monthly fair value of investments during the period.

(5) This information is provided for the period ended September 30, 2018 and the years ended March 31.

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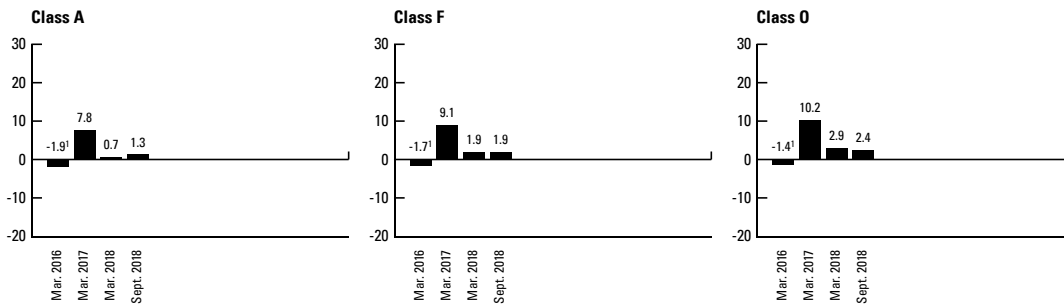
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## PAST PERFORMANCE

This section describes how the Fund has performed in the past. Remember, past returns do not indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. The information shown assumes that distributions made by the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional units of the relevant classes of the Fund. In addition, the information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance.

### Year-by-Year Returns

The following charts show the Fund's semi-annual and annual performance for each of the periods shown and illustrate how the Fund's performance has changed from period to period. In percentage terms, the charts show how much an investment made on the first day of each financial period would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial period, except where noted.



<sup>1</sup> 2016 return is for the period from October 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016.

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## SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO as at September 30, 2018

| Category                             | % of Net Assets | Category                             | % of Net Assets | Top Holdings   | % of Net Assets |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| <b>Country allocation</b>            |                 | <b>Sector allocation</b>             |                 |  |                 |
| <b>Long Positions</b>                |                 | <b>Long Positions</b>                |                 |  |                 |
| Fund(s) .....                        | 91.6            | Fund(s) .....                        | 91.6            | Select Canadian Equity Managed Corporate Class (A Shares) ....       | 25.2            |
| Cash & Equivalents .....             | 5.6             | Cash & Equivalents .....             | 5.6             | Select U.S. Equity Managed Corporate Class (A Shares) .....          | 24.8            |
| U.S.A. ....                          | 2.0             | Foreign Government Bonds .....       | 2.0             | Select International Equity Managed Corporate Class (A Shares) ..... | 21.0            |
| Other Net Assets (Liabilities) ..... | 0.4             | Other Net Assets (Liabilities) ..... | 0.4             | Signature Canadian Bond Fund (Class I) .....                         | 6.2             |
| Options Contracts .....              | 0.4             | Options Contracts .....              | 0.4             | Cash & Equivalents .....   | 5.6             |
| Future Contracts .....               | 0.0             | Future Contracts .....               | 0.0             | Signature High Yield Bond II Fund (Class I) .....                    | 5.4             |
| <b>Total Long Positions</b> .....    | <b>100.0</b>    | <b>Total Long Positions</b> .....    | <b>100.0</b>    | Signature Global Bond Fund (Class I) .....                           | 4.9             |
| <b>Short Positions</b>               |                 | <b>Short Positions</b>               |                 | Signature Tactical Bond Pool (Class I) .....                         | 4.1             |
| Future Contracts.....                | (0.0)           | Future Contracts.....                | (0.0)           | United States Treasury Note/Bond 2.5% 02/15/2046 .....               | 2.0             |
| <b>Total Short Positions</b> .....   | <b>(0.0)</b>    | <b>Total Short Positions</b> .....   | <b>(0.0)</b>    |  |                 |
|                                      |                 |                                      |                 | <b>Total Net Assets (in \$000's)</b>                                 | <b>\$82,336</b> |

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund and updates will be available on a quarterly basis.

## A NOTE ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, its future performance, strategies or prospects, and possible future Fund action. The words "may," "could," "should," "would," "suspect," "outlook," "believe," "plan," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "forecast," "objective," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both about the Fund and general economic factors, so it is possible that predictions, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not be achieved. We caution you not to place undue reliance on these statements as a number of important factors could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any

forward-looking statement made by the Fund. These factors include, but are not limited to, general economic, political and market factors in Canada, the United States and internationally, interest and foreign exchanges rates, global equity and capital markets, business competition, technological changes, changes in laws and regulations, judicial or regulatory judgments, legal proceedings and catastrophic events.

The above list of important factors that may affect future results is not exhaustive. Before making any investment decisions, we encourage you to consider these and other factors carefully. All opinions contained in forward-looking statements are subject to change without notice and are provided in good faith but without legal responsibility.