

**2024**

**DIVIDEND 15 SPLIT CORP.**  
**SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT**  
**(UNAUDITED)**



**Dividend 15**

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**DIVIDEND 15 SPLIT CORP.**  
**SEMI-ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE**

**MAY 31, 2024**

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This is the semi-annual Management Report of Fund Performance (MRFP) for the period ended May 31, 2024. This MRFP contains financial highlights but does not contain the complete financial statements of the Company. The semi-annual financial statements and accompanying notes are attached to this report.

Investors may also obtain a copy of the Company's proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record, or quarterly portfolio disclosure by visiting our website at [www.dividend15.com](http://www.dividend15.com) or by writing to the Company at Investor Relations, 200 Front Street West, Suite 2510, Toronto, Ontario M5V 3K2.

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**INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES**

Dividend 15 Split Corp. invests primarily in a portfolio of dividend yielding common shares which will include each of the 15 Canadian companies listed below:

Bank of Montreal	Royal Bank of Canada
Bank of Nova Scotia	Sun Life Financial Inc.
BCE Inc.	TC Energy Corp.
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	TELUS Corporation
CI Financial Corp.	Thomson Reuters Corporation
Enbridge Inc.	Toronto-Dominion Bank
Manulife Financial Corp.	TransAlta Corporation
National Bank of Canada	

The Company may also invest up to 15% of the net asset value in equity securities of issuers other than the 15 companies listed above. In order to supplement the dividends received on the portfolio and to reduce risk, the Company will from time to time write covered call options in respect of some or all of the common shares of the portfolio.

The Company offers two types of shares:

**Preferred shares**

The investment objectives with respect to the Preferred shares are as follows:

1. to provide holders with fixed cumulative preferential monthly cash dividends in the amount of \$0.04583 per Preferred share to yield 5.5% per annum on the \$10 repayment amount; and
2. On or about the termination date of December 1, 2029 (subject to further 5 year extensions thereafter), to pay holders \$10 per Preferred share.

## **Class A shares**

The investment objectives with respect to the Class A shares are as follows:

1. To provide holders with regular monthly cash dividends targeted to be \$0.10 per Class A shares. The net asset value per unit must remain above the required \$15 per unit threshold for monthly distributions to be declared; and
2. On or about the termination date, to pay holders the original issue price (\$15) of the Class A shares.

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## **RISK**

The risks of investing in the Company remain as discussed in the Annual Information Form dated February 23, 2024. In addition, note 5 of the financial statements (“Management of Risk of Financial Instruments”) contains disclosure on specific types of risks related to the financial investments held by the Company.

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## **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

North American equity markets gained during the six month period ended May 31, 2024. In Canada, these gains were a result of higher commodity prices and lower inflation. Lower inflation levels supported market sentiment that interest rate cuts were imminent, which boosted equity markets. The Bank of Canada maintained its policy rates unchanged during the period waiting for more data to confirm low inflation readings before starting rate cuts. During the period, the Canadian economy continued to moderate, with unemployment rising and wage growth slowing. Though the spread between the 10-year and 2-year treasury yield continued to narrow, the yield curve continued to be inverted during the period, with shorter term maturities yielding more than longer-term maturities, which generally adversely impacts the earnings potential of financial services companies and creates headwinds for business investments.

Overall, the companies held in the portfolio appreciated during the period.

The net assets per unit finished the period at \$15.21 as at May 31, 2024. A combined total of \$0.88 was paid in distributions during the period to Class A shareholders and Preferred shareholders, bringing total distributions paid since inception to \$37.62.

The Company announced on May 27, 2024 that the TSX accepted its notice of intention to make a Normal Course Issuer Bid (the “NCIB”) to purchase its Preferred shares and Class A shares through the facilities of the TSX and/or alternative Canadian trading systems. The NCIB commenced on May 29, 2024 and will terminate on May 28, 2025. Pursuant to the NCIB, the Company proposes to purchase, from time to time, if it is considered advisable, up to 12,213,038 Preferred shares and 12,289,392 Class A shares of the Company, representing 10% of the public float of 122,130,385 Preferred shares and 122,893,927 Class A shares. As of May 15, 2024, there were 122,320,016 Preferred shares and 122,975,116 Class A shares issued and outstanding. The Company will not purchase, in any given 30-day period, in the aggregate, more than 2,446,400 Preferred shares or more than 2,459,502 Class A shares, being 2% of the issued and outstanding Preferred shares and Class A shares as of May 15, 2024. During the period ended May 31, 2024, there were no Preferred shares or Class A shares purchased for cancellation.

During the period ended May 31, 2024, 3,155,200 Preferred shares were sold through an at-the-market equity program (“ATM Program”) at an average selling price of \$9.81 per Preferred share. Gross proceeds, net proceeds and commissions on the Preferred share sales were \$30,937,123, \$30,826,858 and \$110,265, respectively.

During the period ended May 31, 2024, 3,928,800 Class A shares were sold through the ATM Program at an average selling price of \$5.44 per Class A share. Gross proceeds, net proceeds and commissions on the Class A share sales were \$21,361,719, \$21,277,228 and \$84,491, respectively.

Net assets of the Company finished the period at \$1.87 billion.

The covered call writing program continued to provide additional income and supplemented the dividend income earned in the portfolio.

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## **RECENT DEVELOPMENTS**

Financial markets and equity markets have experienced volatility in response to significant macroeconomic factors, including central bank responses to inflation levels and geopolitical events and tensions, including military events. The investment portfolio of the Company has been subject to these market fluctuations and may continue to experience significant volatility as these situations evolve.

On March 12, 2024, the Company announced the extension of the termination date of the Company for a further five year period from December 1, 2024 to December 1, 2029. In connection with the extension of its term, the Company will offer a special retraction right which will allow shareholders to tender one or both classes of shares and receive a retraction price based on the November 29, 2024 net asset value per unit. The Company will have the right to amend the dividend entitlement of the Preferred shares effective December 1, 2024. Any change to the Preferred share dividend rate will be announced no later than September 30, 2024. The termination date may be extended thereafter at the Company's discretion for additional terms of five years each. Shareholders will be provided with a special retraction right in connection with any such extension.

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## **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

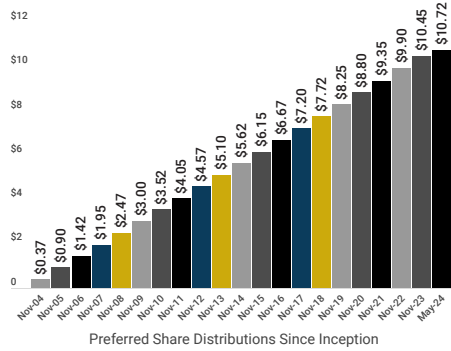
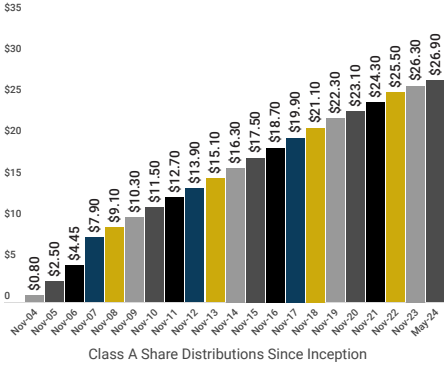
Quadravest Capital Management Inc. ("Quadravest") as investment manager and Manager earns fees from the Company as described below in the Management Fees section.

### Class A shares - Distributions

Class A shareholders are entitled to receive regular monthly cash dividends currently targeted to be \$0.10 per Class A share to yield 8.0% per annum on the original issue price. The net asset value per unit must remain above the required \$15 per unit threshold for monthly distributions to be declared. Total distributions per Class A share during the period amounted to \$0.60.

### Preferred shares - Distributions

Preferred shareholders are entitled to fixed, cumulative preferential monthly cash dividends in the amount of \$0.04583 per Preferred share to yield 5.50% per annum on the \$10 repayment amount. Distributions during the period were at the fixed rate for a total of \$0.2750 per Preferred share.



26.90

Cumulative total of distributions paid to Class A share since inception



3.50

Special distributions paid since inception



10.72

Cumulative total of distributions paid to Preferred share since inception

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables show selected financial information about the Company and are intended to help you understand the Company's financial performance for the past five years. This information is derived from the Company's semi-annual financial statements and previous audited annual financial statements. The information in the following table is presented in accordance with National Instrument ("NI") 81-106 and, as a result, does not act as a continuity of opening and closing net assets per unit.

### The Company's net assets per unit

	May 31, 2024	Years ended November 30				
		2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net assets per unit, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	14.64	16.19	17.26	15.45	18.01	17.31
Increase (decrease) from operations						
Total revenue	0.37	0.66	0.69	0.61	0.68	0.68
Total expenses	(0.06)	(0.14)	(0.17)	(0.21)	(0.16)	(0.21)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	(0.17)	0.04	0.15	(0.27)	0.02	0.35
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.30	(0.88)	(0.06)	2.97	(1.75)	1.54
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	<u>1.44</u>	<u>(0.32)</u>	<u>0.61</u>	<u>3.10</u>	<u>(1.21)</u>	<u>2.36</u>
Distributions <sup>(3)</sup>						
Canadian dividends	(0.86)	(1.32)	(1.72)	(1.75)	(1.30)	(1.38)
Capital gains dividends	<u>(0.02)</u>	<u>(0.03)</u>	<u>(0.03)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(0.05)</u>	<u>(0.35)</u>
Total distributions	<u>(0.88)</u>	<u>(1.35)</u>	<u>(1.75)</u>	<u>(1.75)</u>	<u>(1.35)</u>	<u>(1.73)</u>
Net assets per unit at end of period	15.21	14.64	16.19	17.26	15.45	18.01
Net assets per Preferred share	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Net assets per Class A share	<u>5.21</u>	<u>4.64</u>	<u>6.19</u>	<u>7.26</u>	<u>5.45</u>	<u>8.01</u>
Net assets per unit at end of period	15.21	14.64	16.19	17.26	15.45	18.01

- (1) Net assets per unit is the difference between the aggregate amount of the Company's assets and the aggregate amount of its liabilities, excluding Preferred shares and net assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares, at the valuation date, divided by the number of units then outstanding.
- (2) Total increase (decrease) from operations is before the payment of Preferred and Class A share distributions and other income (charges) related to Preferred shares and is calculated based on the weighted average number of units outstanding during the period.
- (3) Distributions on the Preferred shares and Class A shares are based on the number of Preferred shares and Class A shares outstanding on the record date for each distribution in the period and were paid in cash. Characterization of distributions is based on the tax treatment that is received by investors (for semi-annual periods ended May 31, it is based on the actual characterization for the most recently completed annual period and will be updated at year end).

## RATIOS AND SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

	May 31, 2024	2023	Years ended November 30			2019
			2022	2021	2020	
Net asset value (millions) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$1,868.0	\$1,748.7	\$1,705.0	\$1,572.2	\$891.0	\$968.3
Number of units outstanding <sup>(2)</sup>	122,825,756	119,411,210	105,298,790	91,089,552	57,658,652	53,762,120
Base Management expense ratio <sup>(3)</sup>	0.90%	0.89%	0.97%	1.14%	0.97%	1.14%
Management expense ratio including one time offering expenses <sup>(4)</sup>	0.92%	1.24%	1.33%	2.60%	1.26%	1.92%
Management expense ratio per Class A share <sup>(5)</sup>	13.50%	14.22%	11.06%	14.13%	13.63%	11.45%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(6)</sup>	1.40%	2.09%	4.88%	5.05%	12.2%	13.8%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.06%	0.05%	0.04%	0.07%	0.08%	0.04%
Closing market price (TSX): Preferred shares	\$9.90	\$9.74	\$9.22	\$10.07	\$10.13	\$10.22
Closing market price (TSX): Class A shares	\$5.36	\$4.10	\$7.84	\$7.96	\$6.56	\$8.58

(1) This information is provided as at May 31 or November 30.

(2) At times when there is an unequal number of Class A and Preferred shares outstanding, a notional unit amount will be determined as the quotient of the total net asset value of the Company and the sum of the net asset value per share attributable to Class A shares and Preferred shares.

(3) A separate base management expense ratio per unit has been presented to reflect the ongoing operating expenses of the Company. The base management expense ratio per unit is based on total expenses for the stated period, excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs, distributions on Preferred shares and any one time offering expenses and is expressed as an annualized percentage of the average net asset value of the Company during the period.

(4) Share issue expenses including all agents' fees and other offering expenses are one time expenses connected with any subsequent secondary offering. Any expenses incurred with secondary offerings were offset by the accretion to net asset value per unit of such offerings.

(5) Management expense ratio per Class A share is based on the requirements of NI 81-106. This instrument requires that all split share companies produce an expense ratio which allocates all ongoing operating expenses of the Company (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs), all distributions on Preferred shares and all issuance costs to the Class A shares and expresses this as an annualized percentage of the average net asset value attributable to the Class A shares during the period. The management expense ratio per Class A share should not be interpreted as the required return necessary for the Company or the Class A shares to cover the operating expenses of the Company. This calculation is based only on a portion of the Company's assets whereas the Company utilizes its entire assets to generate investment returns. Management believes that the base management expense ratio per unit disclosed in the table above is the most representative ratio in assessing the ongoing efficiency of the administration of the Company, making comparisons to the expense ratios of single unit mutual funds or determining the minimum investment returns necessary by the Company to achieve growth in net asset value per unit.

(6) The Company's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively Quadravest manages the portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Company buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The Company employs a covered call writing strategy which can cause the portfolio turnover rate to be higher than conventional mutual funds. The higher the Company's portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Company in the period and the greater chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of the Company.

(7) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of the average net asset value of the Company during the period.



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## MANAGEMENT FEES

Pursuant to the terms of the investment management agreement, Quadrainvest is entitled to a base management fee payable in arrears at an annual rate equal to 0.65% of the net asset value of the Company, which includes the outstanding Preferred shares, calculated as at each month-end valuation date. In addition, Quadrainvest is entitled to receive a performance fee subject to the achievement of certain pre-established total return thresholds.

Pursuant to the management agreement, Quadrainvest is entitled to an administration fee payable monthly in arrears at an annual rate equal to 0.10% of the net asset value of the Company, which includes the outstanding Preferred shares, calculated as at each month-end valuation date.

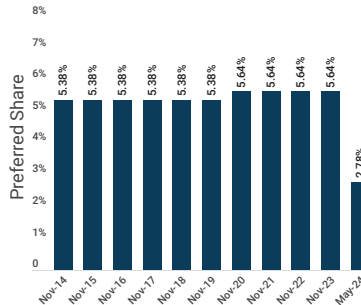
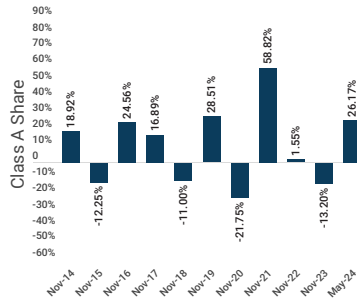
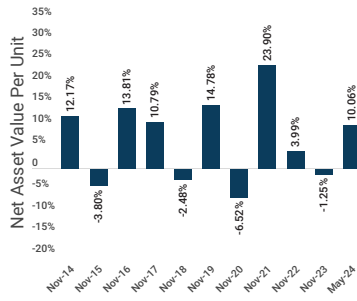
The base management fee was used by Quadrainvest to provide investment analysis, make investment decisions, and make brokerage arrangements for the purchase and sale of securities including the covered call writing program. The administration fee was used to provide or arrange administrative services required by the Company which includes all operational services, financial accounting, shareholder reporting and regulatory reporting.

## PAST PERFORMANCE

### Year-by-Year Returns

The past performance of 1) the net asset value per unit; 2) the Preferred share on a net asset value basis; and 3) the Class A share on a net asset value basis for each of the last 10 years are presented in the bar charts below. Each bar in the chart reflects the change in percentage terms of how a unit, a preferred share or a Class A share would have increased or decreased during the applicable year. In respect to the charts displayed below, please note the following:

- The performance information shown assumes that all cash distributions made by the Company during the years shown were reinvested in the applicable additional securities of the Company;
- The performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance; and
- Past performance of the Company does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.



**SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO**  
**All holdings as at May 31, 2024**

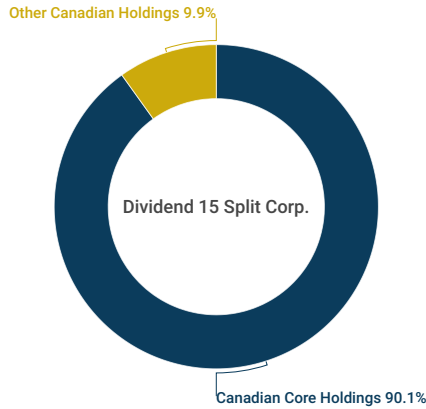
<b>Name</b>	<b>Weighting (%)</b>
Royal Bank of Canada	9.6
Manulife Financial Corporation	8.2
Thomson Reuters Corp.	6.6
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	6.4
Bank of Montreal	6.3
TC Energy Corp.	6.2
Toronto-Dominion Bank	6.1
Sun Life Financial Inc.	6.0
Suncor Energy Inc.	5.8
BCE Inc.	5.1
Enbridge Inc.	5.0
National Bank of Canada	4.9
Bank of Nova Scotia	4.6
TELUS Corporation	3.2
Loblaw Companies Ltd.	1.6
TransAlta Corporation	1.1
AGF Management Ltd.	0.5
CI Financial Corp.	0.5
Emera Inc.	0.4
TMX Group Inc.	0.4
<b>Total long positions as a percentage of net assets</b>	<b>88.5</b>
Cash	12.1
Other net assets (liabilities)	-0.6
	100.0

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Company. Updates are available quarterly.

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## PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN

The following pie chart shows the composition of the Company's holdings between Canadian core holdings and other Canadian holdings.



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## DIVIDEND 15 SPLIT CORP.

### MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The interim financial statements of Dividend 15 Split Corp. (the "Company") have been prepared by Quadravest Capital Management Inc. (the "Manager" of the Company) and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company. The Manager is responsible for the information and representations contained in these interim financial statements and the other sections of the semi-annual report.

The Manager maintains appropriate procedures to ensure that relevant and reliable financial information is produced. The interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements including International Accounting Standard 34, and may include certain amounts that are based on estimates and judgments. The material accounting policy information applicable to the Company is described in note 3 to the financial statements.

The Board of Directors of the Company is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and has reviewed and approved these interim financial statements.

**WAYNE FINCH**

Chief Executive Officer, President and Director  
Quadravest Capital Management Inc.

**SILVIA GOMES**

Chief Financial Officer  
Quadravest Capital Management Inc.

**DIVIDEND 15 SPLIT CORP.**  
**STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

AS AT MAY 31, 2024 (UNAUDITED) AND NOVEMBER 30, 2023

	May 31, 2024 (\$)	November 30, 2023 (\$)
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets		
Investments	1,654,195,679	1,495,434,094
Cash	226,331,576	295,386,092
Interest, dividends and other receivables	5,327,606	6,092,891
Receivable in respect of investments sold	7,355,355	-
	<u>1,893,210,216</u>	<u>1,796,913,077</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Written options	3,192,804	4,690,300
Fees and other accounts payable	1,421,650	1,291,354
Payable in respect of investments purchased	2,689,946	36,718,287
Distributions payable	17,950,370	5,472,845
Preferred shares (note 6)	1,225,714,160	1,194,162,160
Class B shares	1,000	1,000
	<u>1,250,969,930</u>	<u>1,242,335,946</u>
<b>NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDERS OF REDEEMABLE CLASS A SHARES</b>		
	<b>642,240,286</b>	<b>554,577,131</b>
Number of Preferred shares outstanding (note 6)	122,571,416	119,416,216
Number of Class A shares outstanding (note 6)	123,329,216	119,400,416
Net assets per Preferred share	\$10.00	\$10.00
Net assets per Class A share	\$5.21	\$4.64
Net assets per unit	\$15.21	\$14.64

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors



**WAYNE FINCH**

Director



**PETER CRUICKSHANK**

Director

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**DIVIDEND 15 SPLIT CORP.**  
**STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME / (LOSS)**

FOR THE SIX MONTH PERIODS ENDED MAY 31 (UNAUDITED)

	2024 (\$)	2023 (\$)
<b>INCOME</b>		
<b>Net gain (loss) on investments and derivatives</b>		
Net realized gain (loss)	(19,997,138)	194,168
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	158,019,992	(97,489,028)
Dividends	39,596,115	34,905,202
Interest for distribution purposes	4,910,479	2,395,873
<b>Net gain (loss) on investments and derivatives</b>	<b>182,529,448</b>	<b>(59,993,785)</b>
<b>Other gain (loss)</b>		
Realized gain (loss) on currency	-	2
	<u>182,529,448</u>	<u>(59,993,783)</u>
<b>EXPENSES (note 7)</b>		
Management fees	6,977,413	6,657,836
Audit fees	14,746	13,856
Directors' fees	7,167	7,167
Independent Review Committee fees	1,154	950
Custodial fees	135,319	134,042
Legal fees	46,807	37,024
Shareholder reporting costs	128,013	122,334
Other operating expenses	171,057	192,370
Harmonized sales tax	801,983	780,796
Transaction costs	510,029	422,497
	<u>8,793,688</u>	<u>8,368,872</u>
<b>Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares before distributions and other income (charges) related to Preferred shares</b>		
	<b>173,735,760</b>	<b>(68,362,655)</b>
Distributions on Preferred shares	(33,397,480)	(30,847,504)
Premium (discount) on issuance of Preferred shares	(614,877)	(6,869,824)
Issuance costs on Preferred shares	(173,915)	(2,572,455)
<b>Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares</b>	<u><b>139,549,488</b></u>	<u><b>(108,652,438)</b></u>
<b>Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders per redeemable Class A share (note 8)</b>	<b>1.15</b>	<b>(0.96)</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**DIVIDEND 15 SPLIT CORP.**  
**STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**  
**ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDERS OF REDEEMABLE CLASS A SHARES**  
FOR THE SIX MONTH PERIODS ENDED MAY 31 (UNAUDITED)

	2024 (\$)	2023 (\$)
<b>Net Assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares - Beginning of period</b>	<b>554,577,131</b>	<b>654,462,430</b>
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares	139,549,488	(108,652,438)
Gross proceeds on issuance of Class A shares (note 6)	21,361,719	108,868,867
Agents' fees and issue costs on issuance of Class A shares	<u>(148,142)</u>	<u>(2,725,890)</u>
Net proceeds on issuance of Class A shares	<u>21,213,577</u>	<u>106,142,977</u>
<b>Distributions on Class A shares<sup>(1)</sup></b>		
Canadian dividends	(70,265,862)	(66,678,522)
Capital gains dividends	<u>(2,834,048)</u>	<u>(1,782,669)</u>
	<u>(73,099,910)</u>	<u>(68,461,191)</u>
<b>Change in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares</b>	<u><b>87,663,155</b></u>	<u><b>(70,970,652)</b></u>
<b>Net Assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares - End of period</b>	<u><b>642,240,286</b></u>	<u><b>583,491,778</b></u>

(1) The tax characterization of distributions is an estimate only based on the actual characterization for the respective most recently completed annual period. Actual year-end characterization will differ.

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**DIVIDEND 15 SPLIT CORP.**  
**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOW**

FOR THE SIX MONTH PERIODS ENDED **MAY 31** (UNAUDITED)

	2024 (\$)	2023 (\$)
<b>Cash flows from (used in) operating activities</b>		
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares	139,549,488	(108,652,438)
Adjustment for:		
Distributions on Preferred shares	33,397,480	30,847,504
(Premium) discount on issuance of Preferred shares	614,877	6,869,824
Issuance costs on Preferred shares	173,915	2,572,455
Net realized (gain) loss on investments and derivatives	19,997,138	(194,168)
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation of investments and derivatives	(158,019,992)	97,489,028
Purchase of investments, net of option premiums (note 6)	(45,290,941)	(78,225,295)
Proceeds from sale of investments	(18,328,982)	827,081
(Increase) in interest, dividends and other receivables	765,285	(615,503)
Increase (decrease) in fees and other accounts payable	156,940	97,010
Cash flows from (used in) operating activities	<u>(26,984,792)</u>	<u>(48,984,502)</u>
<b>Cash flows from (used in) financing activities</b>		
Gross proceeds on issuance of Class A shares and Preferred shares (note 6)	52,298,842	211,640,043
Agent's fees and issue costs on issuance of Class A shares and Preferred shares	(348,701)	(5,332,614)
Amounts paid on redemption of Class A shares and Preferred shares		
Distributions paid on Class A shares	(60,766,988)	(67,028,872)
Distributions paid on Preferred shares	(33,252,877)	(30,345,019)
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities	<u>(42,069,724)</u>	<u>108,933,538</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(69,054,516)	59,949,036
Cash at beginning of the period	295,386,092	286,407,013
<b>Cash at end of the period</b>	<u><b>226,331,576</b></u>	<u><b>346,356,049</b></u>
Dividends received*	40,369,544	34,290,678
Interest received*	4,910,479	2,395,873

\* Included as part of Cash Flows from Operating Activities.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



**DIVIDEND 15 SPLIT CORP.**  
**SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS**

AS AT MAY 31, 2024 (UNAUDITED)

No. of shares (contracts)	Description	Average Cost (\$) (Premiums received)	Fair Value (\$)
<b>15 Core Holdings</b>			
<b>Canadian Core Common Equities</b>			
967,867	Bank of Montreal	103,519,760	117,644,234
1,329,102	Bank of Nova Scotia	95,621,218	85,753,661
2,036,537	BCE Inc.	117,925,818	94,943,355
1,763,026	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	101,533,555	119,145,297
665,994	CI Financial Corp.	19,672,562	9,743,492
1,872,049	Enbridge Inc.	87,502,504	93,284,202
4,331,120	Manulife Financial Corporation	101,083,244	153,321,648
789,800	National Bank of Canada	39,704,683	92,003,802
1,206,629	Royal Bank of Canada	126,627,526	179,763,588
1,651,900	Sun Life Financial Inc.	93,553,172	112,841,289
2,193,280	TC Energy Corp.	127,516,103	115,278,797
2,665,332	TELUS Corporation	61,914,776	59,730,090
526,915	Thomson Reuters Corp.	46,759,633	123,582,644
1,488,220	Toronto-Dominion Bank	103,836,960	113,402,364
2,059,401	TransAlta Corporation	22,703,762	20,161,536
	<b>Total Core Portfolio Equities (90.3%)</b>	<b><u>1,249,475,276</u></b>	<b><u>1,490,599,999</u></b>
<b>Other Canadian Common Equities</b>			
1,185,700	AGF Management Ltd.	15,306,087	9,888,738
162,800	Emera Inc.	7,903,400	7,726,488
191,205	Loblaw Companies Ltd.	13,689,240	30,267,752
1,947,400	Suncor Energy Inc.	56,486,602	108,275,440
203,315	TMX Group Inc.	2,523,105	7,437,262
	<b>Total Other Canadian Common Equities (9.9%)</b>	<b><u>95,908,434</u></b>	<b><u>163,595,680</u></b>
	<b>Total Canadian Common Equities (100.2%)</b>	<b><u>1,345,383,710</u></b>	<b><u>1,654,195,679</u></b>

**DIVIDEND 15 SPLIT CORP.****SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED...)**

AS AT MAY 31, 2024 (UNAUDITED)

No. of shares (contracts)	Description	Average Cost (\$) (Premiums received)	Fair Value (\$)
	<b>Call Options written (100 shares per contract)</b>		
	<b>Canadian call options written</b>		
(922)	Bank of Montreal @ \$132 June 2024	(129,080)	(4,501)
(630)	Bank of Montreal @ \$134 June 2024	(55,100)	(1,376)
(535)	Bank of Nova Scotia @ \$68 July 2024	(41,730)	(9,898)
(460)	Bank of Nova Scotia @ \$68 June 2024	(22,540)	(4,140)
(3,660)	BCE Inc. @ \$46.50 June 2024	(188,490)	(204,960)
(2,635)	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce @ \$70 June 2024	(355,725)	(42,160)
(710)	CI Financial Corp. @ \$15 July 2024	(23,430)	(23,430)
(650)	Emera Inc. @ \$52 July 2024	(34,450)	(1,661)
(2,925)	Enbridge Inc. @ \$52 June 2024	(108,225)	(14,625)
(2,225)	Enbridge Inc. @ \$52.50 July 2024	(95,675)	(32,263)
(750)	Loblaw Companies Ltd. @ \$163 July 2024	(110,250)	(121,875)
(5,914)	Manulife Financial Corp. @ \$37 July 2024	(287,072)	(174,463)
(380)	National Bank of Canada @ \$117 June 2024	(51,680)	(49,970)
(715)	National Bank of Canada @ \$120 July 2024	(50,765)	(45,403)
(800)	Royal Bank of Canada @ \$146 July 2024	(170,400)	(420,000)
(1,285)	Royal Bank of Canada @ \$148 June 2024	(170,905)	(336,028)
(964)	Sun Life Financial Inc. @ \$71 July 2024	(68,444)	(51,092)
(1,003)	Sun Life Financial Inc. @ \$72 July 2024	(60,180)	(30,592)
(1,839)	Sun Life Financial Inc. @ \$72 June 2024	(74,334)	(11,034)
(3,000)	Suncor Energy Inc. @ \$56 July 2024	(318,000)	(417,000)
(1,550)	TC Energy Corp. @ \$51 June 2024	(93,000)	(292,950)
(1,900)	TC Energy Corp. @ \$55 June 2024	(80,750)	(18,050)
(4,275)	Telus Corp. @ \$23 July 2024	(111,150)	(72,675)
(1,150)	Thomson Reuters Corp. @ \$235 July 2024	(449,190)	(710,125)
(865)	Toronto-Dominion Bank @ \$79.50 June 2024	(76,120)	(11,245)
(1,080)	Toronto-Dominion Bank @ \$80 July 2024	(104,782)	(39,960)
(3,540)	TransAlta Corporation @ \$10 June 2024	(58,410)	(51,328)
	<b>Total Canadian call options written (-0.2%)</b>	<b>(3,389,877)</b>	<b>(3,192,804)</b>
		<u>1,341,993,833</u>	<u>1,651,002,875</u>
	Less adjustments for transaction costs	(711,756)	
	<b>Total Investments (100.0%)</b>	<b>1,341,282,077</b>	<b>1,651,002,875</b>

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# DIVIDEND 15 SPLIT CORP.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### 1. Incorporation

Dividend 15 Split Corp. (the “Company”) is a mutual fund corporation established under the laws of the Province of Ontario on January 9, 2004 that began investment operations on March 16, 2004. The manager of the Company and the investment manager is QuadraVest Capital Management Inc. (“QuadraVest” or “Manager”). The Company’s principal office is located at 200 Front Street West, Suite 2510, Toronto, Ontario M5V 3K2. The Company invests in an actively managed portfolio of common shares comprised primarily of 15 core large capitalization dividend yielding Canadian companies. The Company employs an active covered call writing program to enhance the income earned from the portfolio.

On March 12, 2024, the Company announced the extension of the termination date of the Company for a further five year period from December 1, 2024 to December 1, 2029. In connection with the extension of its term, the Company will offer a special retraction right which will allow shareholders to tender one or both classes of shares and receive a retraction price based on the November 29, 2024 net asset value per unit. The Company will have the right to amend the dividend entitlement of the Preferred shares effective December 1, 2024. Any change to the Preferred share dividend rate will be announced no later than September 30, 2024. The termination date may be extended thereafter at the Company’s discretion for additional terms of five years each. Shareholders will be provided with a special retraction right in connection with any such extension.

### 2. Basis of presentation

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IFRS Accounting Standards”), as applicable to the preparation of interim financial statements, including International Accounting Standard (“IAS”) 34, Interim Financial Reporting. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended November 30, 2023, which were prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards.

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors of the Company on July 17, 2024.

### 3. Material accounting policy information

The following is a summary of material accounting policy information applicable to the Company.

#### Investments and financial instruments

The Company classifies its investments, including derivatives, based on both the Company’s business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The portfolio of financial assets is managed and performance is evaluated on a fair value basis. The Company is primarily focused on fair value information and uses that information to assess the assets’ performance and to make decisions. The Company has not taken the option to irrevocably designate any equity securities as fair value in other comprehensive income (“FVOCI”). Consequently, all investments, including derivatives are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The Company’s obligations for net assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares are presented at the annual redemption amount. All other financial assets and liabilities are recognized initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortized cost, which approximates fair value.

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The Company recognizes regular purchases and sales of financial instruments on the trade date, which is the date on which it commits to purchase or sell the instrument. Transaction costs, such as brokerage commissions, related to financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL") are expensed as incurred and transaction costs related to financial instruments not at FVTPL are included in the carrying amounts thereof. A financial asset is derecognized when the rights to receive cash flows from the investment have expired or have been transferred and when the Company has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset. Dividends are recognized as income on the ex-dividend date. Realized gains and losses and unrealized appreciation and depreciation are determined on an average cost basis. The cost of investments is determined using the average cost method.

Written option premiums received by the Company are, so long as the options are outstanding, reflected as a liability, in the Statements of Financial Position and are valued at an amount equal to the current market value of an option that would have the effect of closing the position. Gains or losses realized upon expiration or exercise of the option are included in net realized gain (loss) on investments and derivatives in the Statements of Comprehensive Income/(Loss).

The Preferred shares rank prior to the Class A and Class B shares and are thus not subordinate to all other classes of puttable instruments and therefore, the shares have been classified as financial liabilities. These shares are carried at amortized cost. Amortization of premiums or discounts on the issuance of Preferred shares is included in the Statements of Comprehensive Income/(Loss).

The Class B shares are subordinate to the Preferred shares but rank prior to the Class A shares and are thus not subordinate to all other classes of puttable instruments and therefore, the shares have been classified as financial liabilities. These shares are carried at amortized cost.

The Class A shares may be retracted monthly, annually, or on the termination date of the Company. As a result, the shares contain multiple contractual obligations, and therefore, have been presented as financial liabilities.

The net asset value of the Company is determined in accordance with requirements of law, including National Instrument 81-106, Investment Fund Continuous Disclosure, and is used to process shareholder transactions. For financial reporting purposes under IFRS Accounting Standards, net assets of the Company is determined as the difference between the aggregate amount of the Company's assets and the aggregate amount of its liabilities, excluding Preferred shares and net assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares ("Net Assets of the Company"). Preferred shares and Class A shares are issued on the basis that an equal number of Preferred shares and Class A shares (together, a "unit") will be issued and outstanding at all material times. At times when there is an unequal number of Class A and Preferred shares outstanding, a notional unit amount will be determined as the quotient of the total net asset value of the Company and the sum of the net asset value per share attributable to Class A shares and Preferred shares.

#### **Valuation of investments**

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. The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets (such as publicly traded shares and options) are based on the last traded prices at the close of trading on the reporting date. The Company uses the last traded market price for both financial assets and financial liabilities where the last traded price falls within that day's bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the

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last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager determines the point within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of fair value based on the specific facts and circumstances. The Company's policy is to recognize transfers into and out of the fair value hierarchy levels as of the date of the event or change in circumstances giving rise to the transfer.

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market is determined using valuation techniques. The Company uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each reporting date. Valuation techniques include the use of comparable recent arm's length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, option pricing models and others commonly used by market participants and which make the maximum use of observable inputs. Refer to note 5 for further information about the Company's fair value measurements.

#### **Cash**

Cash is comprised of demand deposits with a financial institution.

#### **Translation of foreign currencies**

The Company's functional and presentation currency is Canadian dollars. The fair value of investments and other assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into the Company's functional currency at the rates of exchange prevailing at each measurement date. Purchases and sales of investments, income and expenses are translated at the rates of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions.

#### **Management fees, administration fees and performance fees**

Management fees and administration fees are accrued by the Company over time, as services are rendered by QuadraVest. At each measurement date, the Company recognizes an expense and financial liability based on the amount, if any, of performance fees expected to be paid based on the net asset value of the Company. Refer to note 7 for further information about the calculation of management, administration fees and performance fees, if any, of the Company.

#### **Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders per redeemable Class A share**

Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders per redeemable Class A share is based on the increase or decrease in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares divided by the weighted average number of such shares outstanding during the period. Refer to note 8 for the calculation.

#### **Taxation**

The Company qualifies as a mutual fund corporation under the Income Tax Act (Canada) (the "Tax Act") and it is subject to income tax in each taxation year on the amount of its net income for the taxation year, including net realized taxable capital gains, if any, at the rate applicable to mutual fund corporations. The general income tax rules associated with a public corporation also apply to a mutual fund corporation with the exception that taxes payable on net realized capital gains are refundable on a formula basis when its shares are redeemed or when it pays capital gains dividends out of its capital gains dividend account to its shareholders.

Interest and foreign income are taxed at normal corporate rates applicable to mutual fund corporations and can be reduced by permitted deductions for tax purposes.

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All of the Company's expenses including management fees, administration fees and operating expenses will be taken into account in determining its overall tax liability.

As a mutual fund corporation, taxable dividends received from taxable Canadian corporations are subject to a Part IV tax of 38 1/3%. Such taxes are fully refundable upon payment of taxable dividends to its shareholders on a basis of \$1.15 for every \$3 of dividends paid. Any such tax paid is reported as an amount receivable until recovered through the payment to shareholders of dividends out of net investment income. All tax on net taxable realized capital gains is refundable when the gains are distributed to shareholders as capital gains dividends or through redemption of shares at the request of shareholders, while the Company qualifies as a mutual fund corporation. As a result of the capital gains refund mechanism and Part IV tax refunds, the Company recovers any Canadian income taxes paid in respect of its capital gains and taxable Canadian dividends. As a result, the Company has determined that it is in substance not taxable. Consequently, the tax benefit of capital and non-capital losses and other temporary differences have not been reflected in the Statements of Financial Position as deferred income tax assets or liabilities.

The Company has estimated accumulated non capital losses for tax purposes as at May 31, 2024 of \$103,476,691 (November 30, 2023-\$103,476,691) that are available to lower taxable income in future periods if required and expire after the scheduled termination date of the Company. The Company also has estimated accumulated capital losses for tax purposes of \$18,012,731 (November 30, 2023-\$18,012,731) which may be used to lower future capital gains if required and which do not expire.

#### 4. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The preparation of these financial statements include estimates and assumptions by management based on past experiences, present conditions and expectations of future events. Where estimates were made, the reported amounts for assets, liabilities, income and expenses may differ from the amounts that would otherwise be reflected if the ultimate outcome of all uncertainties and future events were known at the time these financial statements were prepared. The Company's most significant estimates involve the measurement of investments and derivatives at fair value as described in note 5.

#### 5. Management of Risk of Financial Instruments

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

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

Level 2 - Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and

Level 3 - Inputs that are unobservable for the asset or liability.

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The following table illustrates the classification of the Company's financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy as at May 31, 2024 and November 30, 2023:

## Financial assets and liabilities at fair value as at May 31, 2024

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Equities	\$1,654,195,679	-	-	\$1,654,195,679
Options	(\$3,192,804)	-	-	(\$3,192,804)
	<u>\$1,651,002,875</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$1,651,002,875</u>

## Financial assets and liabilities at fair value as at November 30, 2023

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Equities	\$1,495,434,094	-	-	\$1,495,434,094
Options	(\$4,690,300)	-	-	(\$4,690,300)
	<u>\$1,490,743,794</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$1,490,743,794</u>

All fair value measurements above are recurring and fair values are classified as Level 1 when the related security or derivative is actively traded and a quoted price is available. There were no transfers or reclassifications between levels for the period ended May 31, 2024 or the year ended November 30, 2023.

The Company's investment activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including price risk, interest rate risk and currency risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

Any sensitivity analysis presented below may differ from actual results and the difference could be material.

**Market Price Risk**

All securities investments present a risk of loss of capital. The 15 core holdings were selected because of their long term history of market price appreciation and dividend growth. These portfolio companies were selected from the S&P/TSX 60 index and are among the largest companies in Canada.

The market price risk is affected by three main components: price risk, interest rate risk and foreign currency movements.

**Price risk**

Other price 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).

The Manager manages market price risk by limiting investment in any one portfolio company to no more than 10% of the net asset value of the Company at the time of purchase.

In addition, the supplemental covered call writing program generates an additional stream of income to the portfolio which may also help mitigate against market price declines during periods in which a particular portfolio company has a covered call option written against that position.

The Company is exposed to other price risk from its investment in equity securities and written options. As at May 31, 2024, had the prices on the respective stock exchanges for these equity securities increased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, Net Assets

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of the Company would have increased by approximately \$148,538,000 (November 30, 2023-\$131,890,000). Similarly, had the prices on the respective stock exchanges for these equity securities decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, Net Assets of the Company would have decreased by approximately \$163,664,000 (November 30, 2023-\$146,964,000).

#### **Interest rate risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of interest bearing financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The majority of the Company's financial assets and liabilities are non interest bearing. As a result, the Company is not subject to significant amounts of risk due to fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates and considers interest rate risk insignificant as at May 31, 2024 and November 30, 2023.

#### **Currency Risk**

Currency risk is the risk that financial instruments that are denominated in a currency other than the Canadian dollar, which is the Company's reporting currency, will fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates. All portfolio holdings and Net Assets of the Company are denominated in Canadian dollars and therefore there is no currency risk as at May 31, 2024 and November 30, 2023.

#### **Other risks**

##### **Credit risk**

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will be unable to pay amounts in full when due. All of the Company's transactions are in listed securities and options and are settled and paid for using approved brokers. The risk of default is considered minimal as delivery of securities sold is only made once the broker has received payment. Payment is made on purchase once the securities have been received by the broker. Cash is held with a reputable and regulated financial institution. As at May 31, 2024 and November 30, 2023, the Company did not have significant credit risk exposure.

##### **Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company may not be able to settle or meet its obligations on time or at a reasonable price. The Company is exposed to liquidity risk primarily through its monthly and annual retractions of Class A shares and Preferred shares. The Company receives adequate notice for all retraction requests. The Company's portfolio is invested in highly liquid large capitalization investments that trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX"). All Class A shares and Preferred shares outstanding are redeemable on a monthly and annual basis but are scheduled to be redeemed upon termination of the Company. As at May 31, 2024 and November 30, 2023, all other financial liabilities are payable within three months from the end of the period.

##### **Concentration risk**

The Company's 15 core holdings are concentrated in the S&P/TSX 60 index and as such will be exposed to some of the specific factors that affect this index. An individual portfolio holding may represent no more than 10% of the net asset value of the Company at the time of purchase.



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The Company's investment portfolio is concentrated in the following segments as at:

	May 31, 2024	November 30, 2023
Canadian core common equities	79.7%	78.0%
Other Canadian equities	8.8%	7.5%
Call options written	-0.2%	-0.3%
Other assets less liabilities (excluding Preferred shares)	<u>11.7%</u>	<u>14.8%</u>
	100%	100%

## 6. Redeemable Units

### Preferred shares

The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of Preferred shares.

<u>Preferred share transactions</u>	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Beginning of period	119,416,216	105,052,552
Issued during the period	<u>3,155,200</u>	<u>10,964,100</u>
End of period	122,571,416	116,016,652

Preferred shares were originally issued at \$10 per share.

Preferred shares are entitled to fixed, cumulative monthly cash dividends of \$0.04583 per Preferred share. All Preferred shares outstanding on the termination date will be redeemed by the Company on that date. The Preferred shares have been presented as liabilities in the financial statements. Preferred shares trade under the symbol "DFN.PR.A" on the TSX. The trading price of Preferred shares on the TSX was \$9.90 as at May 31, 2024 (November 30, 2023-\$9.74). Preferred shares may be surrendered at any time for retraction at specified retraction amounts, but will be retracted only on the last business day of each month. Shareholders who concurrently retract a Preferred share and a Class A share in the month of August in each year will be entitled to receive an amount equal to the net asset value per unit calculated on the last business day of August. Preferred shares retracted in any other month will receive a retraction price based on a discounted specified retraction formula. Under the terms of a recirculation agreement, the Company may, but is not obligated to, require the recirculation agent to use its best efforts to find purchasers for any Preferred shares or Class A shares tendered for retraction.

The Company announced on May 27, 2024 that the TSX accepted its notice of intention to make a Normal Course Issuer Bid (the "NCIB") to purchase its Preferred shares and Class A shares through the facilities of the TSX and/or alternative Canadian trading systems. The NCIB commenced on May 29, 2024 and will terminate on May 28, 2025. Pursuant to the NCIB, the Company proposes to purchase, from time to time, if it is considered advisable, up to 12,213,038 Preferred shares and 12,289,392 Class A shares of the Company, representing 10% of the public float of 122,130,385 Preferred shares and 122,893,927 Class A shares. As of May 15, 2024, there were 122,320,016 Preferred shares and 122,975,116 Class A shares issued and outstanding. The Company will not purchase, in any given 30-day period, in the aggregate, more than 2,446,400 Preferred shares or more than 2,459,502 Class A shares, being 2% of the issued and outstanding Preferred shares and Class A shares as of May 15, 2024.

The previous NCIB which commenced on May 29, 2023 terminated on May 28, 2024.

During the period ended May 31, 2024, there were no Preferred shares purchased for cancellation.

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During the year ended November 30, 2023, there were 672,500 Preferred shares purchased for cancellation at an average price of \$9.63 per Preferred share.

The Company may issue shares to the public from time to time, at the Company's discretion, under an at-the-market equity program (the "ATM Program"). Any Class A shares or Preferred shares sold in the ATM Program will be sold through the TSX or any other marketplace in Canada on which the Class A shares and Preferred shares are listed, quoted or otherwise traded at the prevailing market price at the time of sale.

During the period ended May 31, 2024, 3,155,200 Preferred shares were sold through the ATM Program at an average selling price of \$9.81 per Preferred share. Gross proceeds, net proceeds and commissions on the Preferred share sales were \$30,937,123, \$30,826,858 and \$110,265, respectively.

During the year ended November 30, 2023, 15,036,300 Preferred shares were sold through the ATM Program at an average selling price of \$9.39 per Preferred share. Gross proceeds, net proceeds and commissions on the Preferred share sales were \$141,151,050, \$137,885,474 and \$3,265,576, respectively.

#### Class A shares and Class B shares

##### Authorized

An unlimited number of Class A shares  
3,000 Class B shares

##### Class A share transactions

	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Beginning of period	119,400,416	105,688,952
Issued during the period	3,928,800	14,323,200
End of period	<u>123,329,216</u>	<u>120,012,152</u>

Class A shares were originally issued at \$15 per share. Class A share distributions are targeted at \$0.10 per month. The net asset value per unit must remain above the required \$15 per unit threshold for monthly distributions to be declared. All Class A shares outstanding on the termination date will be redeemed by the Company on that date. Class A shares trade under the symbol "DFN" on the TSX. The trading price of Class A shares on the TSX was \$5.36 as at May 31, 2024 (November 30, 2023-\$4.10). Class A shares may be surrendered at any time for retraction at specified retraction amounts, but will be retracted only on the last business day of each month. Shareholders who concurrently retract a Class A share and a Preferred share in the month of August in each year will be entitled to receive an amount equal to the net asset value per unit calculated on the last business day of August. Class A shares retracted in any other month will receive a retraction price based on a discounted specified retraction formula. Under the terms of a recirculation agreement, the Company may, but is not obligated to, require the recirculation agent to use its best efforts to find purchasers for any Preferred shares or Class A shares tendered for retraction. Gains or losses from the redemption of shares, if any, are recorded in gain (loss) on redemptions on the Statements of Comprehensive Income/(Loss).

During the period ended May 31, 2024, there were no Class A shares purchased for cancellation. During the year ended November 30, 2023, there were 1,866,500 Class A shares purchased for cancellation at an average price of \$4.02 per Class A share.

During the period ended May 31, 2024, 3,928,800 Class A shares were sold through the ATM Program at an average selling price of \$5.44 per Class A share. Gross proceeds, net proceeds and commissions on the Class A share sales were \$21,361,719, \$21,277,228 and \$84,491, respectively.

During the year ended November 30, 2023, 15,578,200 Class A shares were sold through the ATM Program at an average selling price of \$7.54 per Class A share. Gross proceeds, net proceeds

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and commissions on the Class A share sales were \$117,429,475, \$114,495,287 and \$2,934,188, respectively.

The holders of Class B shares are not entitled to receive dividends. The Class B shares are retractable at a price of \$1.00 per share. Class B shareholders are entitled to one vote per share. On March 16, 2004, the Company issued 1,000 Class B shares to Quadinvest, the Company's investment manager, for cash consideration of \$1,000.

#### 7. Expenses

The Company is responsible for all expenses incurred in connection with the operation and administration of the Company, including, but not limited to, accounting and administration fees, custodian fees, transfer agent fees, legal and audit expenses, fees payable to the independent directors of the Company and the Company's independent review committee, regulatory filing and stock exchange fees, costs of reporting to shareholders and costs and expenses arising as a result of complying with all applicable laws, regulations and policies.

Pursuant to the management agreement, Quadinvest is entitled to an administration fee payable monthly in arrears at an annual rate of 0.10% of the net asset value of the Company, which includes the outstanding Preferred shares, calculated as at each month-end valuation date.

Pursuant to the terms of the investment management agreement, Quadinvest is entitled to a base management fee payable in arrears at an annual rate equal to 0.65% of the net asset value of the Company which includes the outstanding Preferred shares, calculated as at each month-end valuation date. In addition, Quadinvest is entitled to receive a performance fee subject to the achievement of certain pre-established total return thresholds.

Total management fees of \$6,977,413 (May 31, 2023-\$6,657,836), incurred during the period ended May 31, 2024, include the administration fee and base management fee. As at May 31, 2024, \$1,200,077 (November 30, 2023-\$1,078,756) was payable to the Manager with respect to the administration fee and investment management fee. No performance fees were paid during the period ended May 31, 2024 and the year ended November 30, 2023.

Total brokerage commissions paid during the period ended May 31, 2024 by the Company for its portfolio transactions were \$510,029 (May 31, 2023-\$422,497). Brokerage commissions paid to certain brokers may, in addition to paying for the cost of brokerage services in respect of portfolio transactions, also provide for the cost of investment research services provided to the investment manager. The value of such research services included in commissions paid to brokers for the period ended May 31, 2024 amounted to \$2,272 (May 31, 2023-\$12,381).

#### 8. Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders per redeemable Class A share

The increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders per redeemable Class A share for the periods ended May 31, 2024 and 2023 is calculated as follows:

	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable Class A shares	\$139,549,488	(\$108,652,438)
Weighted average Class A shares outstanding	121,538,483	113,370,110
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders per redeemable Class A share	\$1.15	(\$0.96)

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**9. Distributions**

Distributions per share were as follows:

	May 31, 2024	May 31, 2023
Preferred shares	\$0.2750	\$0.2750
Class A shares	\$0.60	\$0.60

**10. Capital Management**

The Company considers its capital to consist of Class A, Class B and Preferred shares.

The Company's objectives in managing its capital are:

- i) to provide holders of Preferred shares with fixed cumulative preferential monthly cash dividends in an amount of \$0.04583 per Preferred share to yield 5.5% per annum on the \$10 repayment amount and to pay holders \$10 per Preferred share on or about the termination date; and
- ii) to provide holders of Class A shares with regular monthly cash distribution targeted to be \$0.10 per Class A share and pay holders the original issue price (\$15) of the Class A shares on or about the termination date. The net asset value per unit must remain above the required \$15 per unit threshold for distributions to be declared.

In order to manage its capital structure, the Company may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders or return capital to shareholders.

**11. Reconciliation of net asset value per Class A share to net assets attributable to holders per redeemable Class A share**

As at May 31, 2024 and November 30, 2023, there were no differences between net asset value per Class A share used for transactional purposes and net assets attributable to holders per redeemable Class A share for financial reporting purposes.





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## **QUADRVEST CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC.**

Quadravest Capital Management Inc. was formed in 1997 and is focused on the creation and management of enhanced yield products for retail investors. The investment strategy combines fundamental based equity investing with covered call writing. Guided by four key principles, Quadravest sets attainable investment objectives that allow the team to stay focused on a long-term investment strategy.

The four principles – innovation in financial products, discipline in investment management, solid results for investors, and excellence in client service – form the foundation of Quadravest. Each member of the firm’s tight-knit team is committed to upholding these principles, ensuring a coherence and dedication that is unique to the Company.

Quadravest has raised over \$2.5 billion in initial public offerings.

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