

INTERIM MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE

For the period ended June 30, 2025

Short Term and Income Fund

NBI Target 2025 Investment Grade Bond Fund

Notes on forward-looking statements

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Management Discussion of Fund Performance

Results of Operations

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2025, NBI Target 2025 Investment Grade Bond Fund's Advisor Series units returned 1.39% compared to 0.40% for the Fund's blended benchmark. The broad-based indices, the ICE BofA 1-5 Year Canada Corporate Index and the ICE BofA 1-5 Year U.S. Corporate Bond Index (CAD Hedged), returned 2.47% and -1.66% respectively. Unlike the indices, the Fund's performance is calculated after fees and expenses. Please see the *Past Performance* section for the returns of all of the Fund's series, which may vary mainly because of fees and expenses.

The Fund's net asset value rose by 9.34% over the period, from \$113.93 million as at December 31, 2024 to \$124.57 million as at June 30, 2025.

In the first half of 2025, the yield curve steepened. Two-year maturity rates decreased by 0.34% and 5-year maturity rates are 0.14% lower than at the beginning of the period. On the other hand, the 10-year and 30-year maturity rates increased by 0.04% and 0.23% respectively.

On the sector side, after a broad-based widening of credit spreads in the first quarter, the opposite and broader effect occurred in the second quarter. This resulted in slightly tighter provincial credit spreads than at the beginning of the period, but the pendulum swung more sharply on the corporate side.

In this context, the Fund has outperformed its benchmark for the period.

Recent Developments

A special feature of the Fund is that it is invested in bonds with predetermined maturities. However, this portfolio is diversified by issuer and considers the tax aspect in its construction. Very few changes to the exposure of this portfolio therefore occur over the course of a year.

There seems to be a shift in the direction of the monetary policies of the industrialised countries. On the one hand, the Bank of Canada and the European Central Bank have begun their monetary easing with 0.25% cuts in their key interest rates, respectively.

On the other hand, the Federal Reserve continues to extend the date on which it believes monetary stimulus will be required given the risks associated with a resumption of inflation. While it previously expected to cut its key rate 3 times when the economy was showing excess demand, the Fed is now forecasting a single cut in 2024 as economic activity shows signs of exhaustion.

Accumulated savings are almost exhausted while restrictive financial conditions weaken demand for consumption on credit. In the future, household spending will move more in line with labour market incomes. The economy is gradually rebalancing, which is easing wage pressures and could reduce the pace of spending. However, wage growth in Canada is still strong. The unionization rate in Canada is 29.4% compared to 10.3% for our neighbours to the south. As a result, wage adjustments are slower in Canada because not all multi-year collective agreements are renegotiated. This could make it difficult for the Bank of Canada to tame services inflation and dampen its monetary stimulus intentions.

On or about May 14, 2025, National Bank Investments Inc. ("NBI") replaced National Bank Trust Inc. ("NBT") as portfolio manager of the Fund. The investment objectives of the Fund remain unchanged. This change has no impact on the sub-advisor currently making investment decisions for the Fund.

Related Party Transactions

National Bank of Canada ("the Bank") and its affiliated companies' roles and responsibilities related to the Fund are as follows:

Trustee, Custodian, and Registrar

Natcan Trust Company ("NTC"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, is the Fund's trustee. In this capacity, it is the legal owner of the Fund's investments.

NTC acts as registrar for the Fund's securities and the names of securityholders. NTC also acts as the Fund's custodian. The fees for NTC's custodial services are based on the standard rates in effect at NTC.

Agent for securities lending transactions

NTC acts as the agent for securities lending transactions acts on behalf of the Fund in administering securities lending transactions entered into by the Fund. NTC is an affiliate of the Manager.

Fund Manager

The Fund is managed by National Bank Investments Inc. ("NBI"), which is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank. Therefore, NBI provides or ensures the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Fund's current operations, including investment consulting, the arrangement of brokerage contracts for the purchase and sale of the investment portfolio, bookkeeping and other administrative services required by the Fund.

The Manager pays the operating expenses of the Fund other than its "Fund costs" (defined below) (the "variable operating expenses"), in exchange for the Fund's payment to the Manager of annual fixed-rate administration fees with respect to each series of the Fund.

The administration fees are equal to a specified percentage of the net asset value of each series of the Fund, calculated and paid in the same manner as the Fund's management fees. The variable operating expenses payable by the Manager include, but are not limited to: transfer agency and recordkeeping costs; custodial costs; accounting and valuation fees; audit fees and legal fees; costs of preparing and distributing financial reports, simplified prospectuses, annual information forms, Fund Facts, continuous disclosure material and other securityholder communications; and costs of trustee services relating to registered tax plans, as applicable.

In addition to administration fees, the Fund shall also pay certain Fund costs, namely: taxes (including, but not limited to, GST/HST and income taxes); costs of compliance with any changes to existing governmental or regulatory requirements introduced after August 1, 2013; costs of compliance with any new governmental or regulatory requirements, including any new fees introduced after August 1, 2013; interest and borrowing costs; costs related to external services that were not commonly charged in the Canadian mutual fund industry as at August 1, 2013; Independent Review Committee costs, including compensation paid to IRC members, travel expenses, insurance premiums and costs associated with their continuing education; and variable operating expenses incurred outside of the normal course of business of the Fund.

The Manager may, from time to time and at its sole discretion, decide to absorb a portion of a series' management fees, administration fees or Fund costs.

As described under the heading *Management Fees*, the Fund pays annual management fees to NBI as consideration for its services.

Portfolio Manager

The Manager has appointed National Bank Investments Inc. ("NBI"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, as the portfolio manager for the Fund. NBI acts as both Manager and portfolio manager of the Fund.

Distribution and Dealer Compensation

National Bank Savings and Investments Inc. ("NBSI") acts as principal distributor for the Fund. In this capacity, NBSI buys, sells and swaps securities through external registered representatives. Fund securities are also offered by National Bank Financial Inc. (including its division National Bank Direct Brokerage) and other affiliated entities. Brokers may receive, depending on the distributed series, a monthly commission representing a percentage of the average daily value of the securities held by their clients.

Holdings

As at June 30, 2025, National Bank Investments Inc. held 202.91 Fund securities for a value of \$2,098.13, which represented close to 0.0017% of the net asset value of the Fund at that date. Transactions between National Bank Investments Inc. and the Fund were carried out in the normal course of business and at the Fund's net asset value as at the transaction date.

Independent Review Committee Approvals and Recommendations

The Fund followed the standing instructions of its Independent Review Committee with respect to one or more of the following transactions:

- a) Purchasing or holding the securities of a related issuer, in particular, those of National Bank of Canada;
- b) Investing in the securities of an issuer when an entity related to the manager acts as an underwriter for the placement or at any time during the 60-day period after the end of the placement;
- c) Purchasing or selling securities to another investment Fund managed by the manager or a company in the same group;
- d) Purchasing or selling debt securities on the secondary market, through related brokers that are main brokers in the Canadian debt securities market (in accordance with an exemption received from the Canadian Securities Administrators);
- e) Entering into foreign exchange transactions (including both spot transactions and forward transactions) with National Bank of Canada.

The Manager has implemented policies and procedures to make sure that the conditions applicable to each of the above transactions are met. The applicable standing instructions require that these transactions be carried out in accordance with NBI policies, which specify, in particular, that investment decisions pertaining to these related party transactions must be made free from any influence by an entity related to NBI and without taking into account any consideration relevant to an entity related to NBI. Furthermore, the investment decisions must represent the business judgment of the securities advisor, uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interest of the Fund and must achieve a fair and reasonable result for the Fund.

Registered Plan Trust Services

NTC receives a fixed amount per registered account for services provided as trustee for registered plans.

Administrative and Operating Services

The provision of certain services was delegated by the Fund Manager, NBI, to National Bank Trust Inc. ("NBT"), a direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank. These include accounting, reporting and portfolio valuation services. The fees incurred for these services are paid to NBT by the Fund manager.

Management Fees

The Fund pays annual management fees to the Fund manager for its management services. The fees are calculated based on a percentage of the Fund's daily net asset value before applicable taxes and are paid on a monthly basis. Under the *Distribution* heading, expenses include the broker's compensation consisting of the maximum annual trailer fees and sales commissions paid to brokers. Under the *Other* heading, the fees relate mainly to investment management, investment advisory services, general administration and profit. The breakdown of major services provided in consideration of the management fees, expressed as an approximate percentage of the management fees is as follows:

Series	Management Fees	Distribution	Others [†]
Advisor Series			
Front-end load	0.65%	76.92%	23.08%
Series F	0.15%	—	100.00%
Series O	N/A*	—	100.00%

^(†) Includes all costs related to management, investment advisory services, general administration and profit.

^(*) The Series O is only available to selected investors that have been approved and have entered into an O Series units account agreement with National Bank Investments Inc. The criteria for approval may include the size of the investment, the expected level of account activity and the investor's total investments with NBI. No management fees are charged to the Fund with respect to the O Series units. Management fees are negotiated with and paid directly by investors and are in addition to the fixed-rate administration fee. NBI does not pay any commissions or service fees to dealers who sell O Series units. There are no sales charges payable by investors who purchase O Series units.

Past Performance

The performance of each series of the Fund is presented below and calculated as at December 31 of each year. It assumes that all distributions made in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities and does not take into account sales, redemption charges, distributions, or optional charges that would have reduced returns. Past performance of a series of a Fund does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

Annual Returns

The bar charts indicate the performance for each the Fund's series in existence greater than one year during the years shown, and illustrate how the performance has changed from year to year. They show, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on January 1 (or made commencing from the start of the series) would have grown or decreased by December 31 of that year, in the case of the Annual management report of fund performance, or by June 30, in the case of the Interim management report of fund performance.



Series F



Series O



⁽¹⁾ Returns for the period from June 20, 2024 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2024.

⁽¹⁾ Returns for the period from January 1, 2025 to June 30, 2025.

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 accounting periods shown.

Advisor Series

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾

Commencement of operations: June 20, 2024

Accounting Period Ended	2025 June 30	2024 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown ⁽⁴⁾	10.24	10.00
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)		
Total revenue	0.08	0.08
Total expenses	(0.04)	(0.04)
Realized gains (losses)	0.07	0.02
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.02	0.18
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) ⁽²⁾	0.13	0.24
Distributions (\$)		
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.03	0.02
From dividends	—	—
From capital gains	—	—
Return of capital	—	0.01
Total Annual Distributions (\$) ⁽³⁾	0.03	0.03
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	10.35	10.24

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2025 June 30	2024 December 31
Total net asset value (000's of \$) ⁽⁵⁾	17,612	10,537
Number of units outstanding ⁽⁵⁾	1,702,395	1,028,813
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽⁶⁾	0.79	0.80
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.79	0.80
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽⁷⁾	—	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁸⁾	63.14	36.71
Net asset value per unit (\$)	10.35	10.24

Series F

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾

Commencement of operations: June 20, 2024

Accounting Period Ended	2025 June 30	2024 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown ⁽⁴⁾	10.25	10.00
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)		
Total revenue	0.08	0.09
Total expenses	(0.01)	(0.01)
Realized gains (losses)	0.07	0.02
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.02	0.17
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) ⁽²⁾	0.16	0.27
Distributions (\$)		
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.06	0.04
From dividends	—	—
From capital gains	—	—
Return of capital	—	0.01
Total Annual Distributions (\$) ⁽³⁾	0.06	0.05
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	10.35	10.25

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2025 June 30	2024 December 31
Total net asset value (000's of \$) ⁽⁵⁾	62,546	39,491
Number of units outstanding ⁽⁵⁾	6,041,277	3,854,132
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽⁶⁾	0.23	0.23
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.23	0.23
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽⁷⁾	—	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁸⁾	63.14	36.71
Net asset value per unit (\$)	10.35	10.25

Series O

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾

Commencement of operations: June 20, 2024

Accounting Period Ended	2025 June 30	2024 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown ⁽⁴⁾	10.23	10.00
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)		
Total revenue	0.08	0.09
Total expenses	—	—
Realized gains (losses)	0.02	0.02
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.15	0.21
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) ⁽²⁾	0.25	0.32
Distributions (\$)		
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.07	0.08
From dividends	—	—
From capital gains	—	—
Return of capital	—	—
Total Annual Distributions (\$) ⁽³⁾	0.07	0.08
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	10.34	10.23

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2025 June 30	2024 December 31
Total net asset value (000's of \$) ⁽⁵⁾	1	15,467
Number of units outstanding ⁽⁵⁾	101	1,511,292
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽⁶⁾	0.02	0.02
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.02	0.02
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽⁷⁾	—	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁸⁾	63.14	36.71
Net asset value per unit (\$)	10.34	10.23

Series PW*

⁽⁷⁾ Please note that this Series is offered by way of private placement.

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾

Commencement of operations: June 20, 2024

Accounting Period Ended	2025 June 30	2024 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown ⁽⁴⁾	10.24	10.00
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)		
Total revenue	0.08	0.09
Total expenses	(0.01)	(0.01)
Realized gains (losses)	0.06	0.02
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.04	0.19
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) ⁽²⁾	0.17	0.29
Distributions (\$)		
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.07	0.05
From dividends	—	—
From capital gains	—	—
Return of capital	—	0.01
Total Annual Distributions (\$) ⁽³⁾	0.07	0.06
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	10.34	10.24

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2025 June 30	2024 December 31
Total net asset value (000's of \$) ⁽⁵⁾	44,413	48,437
Number of units outstanding ⁽⁵⁾	4,296,559	4,731,998
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽⁶⁾	0.17	0.17
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.17	0.17
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽⁷⁾	—	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁸⁾	63.14	36.71
Net asset value per unit (\$)	10.34	10.24

Series PWO*

⁽¹⁾ Please note that this Series is offered by way of private placement.

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾

Commencement of operations: June 20, 2024

Accounting Period Ended	2025 June 30	2024 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown ^(a)	10.23	10.00
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)		
Total revenue	0.07	0.08
Total expenses	—	—
Realized gains (losses)	0.07	0.02
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.04	0.21
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) ^(a)	0.18	0.31
Distributions (\$)		
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.07	0.08
From dividends	—	—
From capital gains	—	—
Return of capital	—	—
Total Annual Distributions (\$) ^(a)	0.07	0.08
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) ^(a)	10.34	10.23

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2025 June 30	2024 December 31
Total net asset value (000's of \$) ⁽⁵⁾	1	1
Number of units outstanding ⁽⁵⁾	101	101
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽⁶⁾	0.01	0.06
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.01	0.06
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽⁷⁾	—	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁸⁾	63.14	36.71
Net asset value per unit (\$)	10.34	10.23

⁽¹⁾ This information is derived from the Fund's Annual Audited Financial Statements and Interim Unaudited Financial Statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements might differ from the net asset value calculated for fund pricing purposes. The differences are explained in the notes to the financial statements.

⁽²⁾ Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase or decrease from operations is based on the average number of units outstanding over the accounting period.

⁽³⁾ Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.

⁽⁴⁾ The net assets are calculated in accordance with IFRS.

⁽⁵⁾ This information is provided as at the last day of the accounting period shown.

⁽⁶⁾ Management expense ratio is based on total expenses including sales taxes for the accounting period indicated (excluding commission, other portfolio transaction costs and withholding taxes) and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net value during the accounting period. The management expense ratio includes, if necessary, the management expenses from its underlying funds, as described in Article 15.2 of Regulation 81-106.

⁽⁷⁾ The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the accounting period. The trading expense ratio includes, if necessary, the trading expenses from its underlying funds, as described in Article 15.2 of Regulation 81-106.

⁽⁸⁾ The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund portfolio's manager 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 accounting period. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in an accounting period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the accounting period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the accounting period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a Fund.

Summary of Investment Portfolio

As of June 30, 2025

Portfolio Top Holdings

	% of Net Asset Value
Government of Canada, 0.50%, due September 1, 2025	16.1
Toronto-Dominion Bank, 1.13%, due December 9, 2025	7.8
Canada Housing Trust, 1.95%, due December 15, 2025	7.8
National Bank of Canada, Floating, due August 18, 2026	7.4
Bank of Montreal, 1.76%, due March 10, 2026	6.8
Fédération des caisses Desjardins, 1.09%, due January 21, 2026	6.6
Smart Real Estate Investment Trust, 1.74%, due December 16, 2025	4.7
Gibson Energy Inc., 2.45%, due July 14, 2025	4.6
Eagle Credit Card Trust, 1.27%, due July 17, 2025	4.5
Province of Saskatchewan, 0.80%, due September 2, 2025	4.5
Enbridge Pipelines Inc., 3.45%, due September 29, 2025	4.3
BCI QuadReal Realty, 1.07%, due February 4, 2026	4.2
Bell Canada, 3.55%, due March 2, 2026	3.4
Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc., 3.31%, due September 11, 2025	3.4
City of Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, 1.05%, due December 17, 2025	3.2
Union Gas Ltd., 3.19%, due September 17, 2025	2.6
City of Varennes, 1.45%, due March 29, 2026	1.4
City of Beloeil, 1.00%, due December 8, 2025	1.0
City of Gatineau, 1.00%, due December 3, 2025	1.0
City of Saint-Basile-Le-Grand, 1.35%, due March 22, 2026	0.9
City of Mirabel, 1.00%, due December 1, 2025	0.8
Municipality of Chertsey, 1.05%, due December 1, 2025	0.7
City of Côte Saint-Luc, 1.00%, due August 25, 2025	0.7
City of Brossard, 1.10%, due July 21, 2025	0.6
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	0.4
	99.4

Net asset value \$124,573,007

Asset Mix

	% of Net Asset Value
Canadian Corporate Bonds	56.2
Federal Bonds	23.9
Municipal Bonds	10.5
Provincial Bonds	4.5
Asset Backed Securities	4.5
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	0.4

Credit Quality

	% of Net Asset Value
AAA	28.5
AA	15.5
A	20.5
BBB	24.9
Not rated	10.6

The above table shows the top 25 positions held by the Fund. In the case of a Fund with fewer than 25 positions, all positions are indicated.

The Summary of Investment Portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment Fund. A quarterly update is available. Please consult our website at www.nbinvestments.ca.

If this investment Fund invests in other investment funds, please consult the prospectus and other information about the underlying investment funds on the website indicated above or on SEDAR+'s website at www.sedarplus.ca.