

Annual Shareholder Report

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Federated Hermes High Yield Strategy Portfolio

A Portfolio of Federated Hermes Managed Pool Series

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Management's Discussion of Fund Performance (unaudited)

The total return of the Federated Hermes High Yield Strategy Portfolio (the "Fund"), based on net asset value for the 12-month reporting period ended December 31, 2022, was -11.63%. The total return of the Fund's shares consisted of 5.70% current income and -17.33% of depreciation in the net asset value of the Fund's shares. The total return of the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index (BHY2%ICI),¹ a broad-based securities market index, was -11.18% during the same period. The Fund's total return for the most recently completed fiscal year reflected actual cash flows, transaction costs and expenses which were not reflected in the total return of the BHY2%ICI.

During the reporting period, the most significant factors affecting the Fund's performance relative to the BHY2%ICI were: (1) the allocation among industry sectors, (2) the selection of individual securities and (3) the duration² of the portfolio's holdings. The Fund pursues its investment objective by investing primarily in High Yield Bond Core Fund (the "Underlying Fund"), a portfolio of Federated Hermes Core Trust. As such, the discussion of significant factors below primarily reflects the performance of the Fund's investment in the Underlying Fund relative to the BHY2%ICI.

MARKET OVERVIEW

The major factors influencing markets during the period under review were concerns about the economy and inflation. Economic growth started the year slowly as the lingering impact of the pandemic, the outbreak of war in Ukraine, supply chain issues and surging prices, especially for energy and food, caused major distortions. Global central banks, including the Federal Reserve, responded to the surge in prices by aggressively raising short-term interest rates. Longer-term rates also rose although less than short-term rates which resulted in an inverted yield curve. This raised further concerns about the economy. However, the second half of the year saw economic growth surprise to the upside as a robust job market, rising wages, declining pandemic-related concerns and normalizing supply chains provided support. Corporate earnings also proved resilient as companies were able to aggressively raise prices to offset surging input costs and rising wages while demand was supported by the strong jobs market and the benefits of the reopening from the pandemic. Default rates and credit spreads for high-yield securities both climbed modestly higher. The overall impact of these factors can be illustrated by the change in credit spreads between the Credit Suisse High Yield Bond Index³ and Treasury securities with similar maturities which began the period at 355 basis points, peaked in early July at 606 basis points before declining to end the fiscal year at 499 basis points. Within the high-yield market,⁴ major industry sectors that substantially outperformed the overall BHY2%ICI during the reporting period included: Oil Field Services, Aerospace and Defense, Gaming, Independent Energy and Metals & Mining. Major industry sectors that substantially underperformed the overall BHY2%ICI during the reporting fiscal year included: Pharmaceuticals, Retail, Wireless Telecommunications, Media & Entertainment and Cable & Satellite. From a quality perspective, the B-rated sector led the way during the reporting period with a total return of -10.26% followed by the BB-rated sector at -10.77%. The CCC-rated sector, perhaps reflecting some economic concerns, lagged with a return of -16.29%.

SECTOR ALLOCATION

The Fund was positively impacted by its sector allocation relative to the BHY2%ICI. The Fund was positively impacted by its overweight position to the strong performing Insurance – Property and Casualty (P&C) and Oil Field Services industry sectors. The Fund was also positively impacted by its underweight position to the poor performing Retail, Wireline Telecommunications and Wireless Telecommunications sectors. The Fund was also positively impacted by its cash holdings. The Fund was negatively impacted by its overweight position to the poor performing Pharmaceuticals, Media & Entertainment and Cable & Satellite sectors. It was also negatively impacted by its underweight allocations to the Refining, Other Industrials, Airline and Metal & Mining sectors.

SECURITY SELECTION

The Fund's security selection had a negative impact on performance relative to the BHY2%ICI. Security selection in Technology, Pharmaceuticals, Media & Entertainment, Healthcare, Chemicals, Cable & Satellite, Gaming, Diversified Manufacturing, Building Materials, Finance Companies, Midstream, Restaurants and Consumer Cyclical Services negatively impacted performance. Specific high-yield issuers held by the Fund that negatively impacted performance relative to the BHY2%ICI included: Audacy, Inc., CSC Holdings LLC, Rackspace Technology, Inc., Mallinckrodt International and Polar US Barrower. The Fund was positively impacted by security selection in Insurance – P&C, Retail, Independent Energy, Wireless Telecommunications, Oil Field Services and Consumer Products. Specific high-yield issuers held by the Fund that positively impacted performance relative to the BHY2%ICI included: Hub International Limited, Clarios Global LP, USIS Merger Subsidiary, Inc., Flex Acquisition and Gates Global LLC. The Fund also benefitted from its equity position in Superior Energy Services, Inc.

DURATION

The Fund began the reporting period with a duration shorter than the BHY2%ICI. Given the substantial increase in the general interest rate⁵ level during the period as well as the increase in credit spreads, the shorter duration had a positive impact early in the period. At the end of the fiscal year, the Fund's duration was modestly greater than the BHY2%ICI.

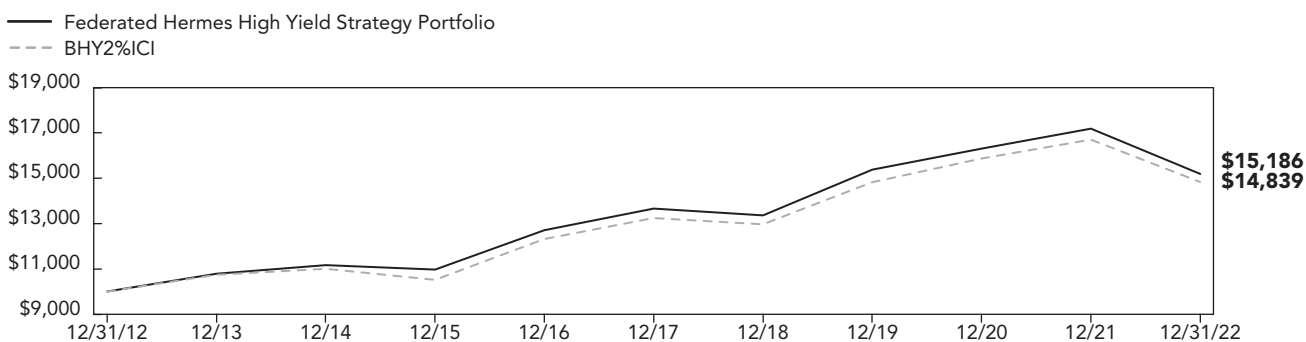
- 1 *Please see the footnotes to the line graph below for definitions of, and further information about, the BHY2%ICI.*
 - 2 *Duration is a measure of a security's price sensitivity to changes in interest rates. Securities with longer durations are more sensitive to changes in interest rates than securities with shorter durations.*
 - 3 *Credit Suisse High Yield Bond Index serves as a benchmark to evaluate the performance of low-quality bonds. Low-quality is defined as those bonds in the range from "BB" to "CCC" and defaults.**
 - 4 *High-yield, lower-rated securities generally entail greater market, credit and liquidity risks than investment-grade securities and may include higher volatility and a higher risk of default.*
 - 5 *Bond prices are sensitive to changes in interest rates, and a rise in interest rates can cause a decline in their prices.*
- * *The index is unmanaged, and it is not possible to invest directly in an index.*

FUND PERFORMANCE AND GROWTH OF A \$10,000 INVESTMENT

The graph below illustrates the hypothetical investment of \$10,000¹ in the Federated Hermes High Yield Strategy Portfolio (the “Fund”) from December 31, 2012 to December 31, 2022, compared to the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index (BHY2%ICI).² The Average Annual Total Return table below shows returns averaged over the stated periods.

GROWTH OF A \$10,000 INVESTMENT

Growth of \$10,000 as of December 31, 2022



Average Annual Total Returns for the Period Ended 12/31/2022

	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Fund	-11.63%	2.15%	4.27%
BHY2%ICI	-11.18%	2.30%	4.03%

Performance data quoted represents past performance which is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor’s shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Mutual fund performance changes over time and current performance may be lower or higher than what is stated. For current to the most recent month-end performance and after-tax returns, call 1-800-341-7400. Returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares. Mutual funds are not obligations of or guaranteed by any bank and are not federally insured.

- ¹ The Fund’s performance assumes the reinvestment of all dividends and distributions. The BHY2%ICI has been adjusted to reflect reinvestment of dividends on securities in the index.
- ² The BHY2%ICI is an issuer-constrained version of the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Index that measures the market of USD-denominated, noninvestment-grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bonds. The index follows the same rules as the uncapped index but limits the exposure of each issuer to 2% of the total market value and redistributes any excess market value index-wide on a pro rata basis. The BHY2%ICI is not adjusted to reflect sales charges, expenses or other fees that the Securities and Exchange Commission requires to be reflected in the Fund’s performance. The index is unmanaged and, unlike the Fund, is not affected by cash flows. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

Portfolio of Investments Summary Table (unaudited)

At December 31, 2022, the Fund's index classification¹ was as follows:

Index Classification	Percentage of Total Net Assets ²
Technology	8.7%
Cable Satellite	7.7%
Midstream	6.4%
Insurance - P&C	6.2%
Media Entertainment	6.1%
Healthcare	4.9%
Automotive	4.7%
Packaging	4.5%
Independent Energy	4.5%
Building Materials	4.4%
Gaming	3.9%
Chemicals	3.4%
Other ³	22.9%
Cash Equivalents ⁴	11.3%
Other Assets and Liabilities—Net ⁵	0.4%
TOTAL	100%

1 Index classifications are based upon, and individual portfolio securities are assigned to, the classifications and sub-classifications of the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index (BHY2%ICI). Individual portfolio securities that are not included in the BHY2%ICI are assigned to an index classification by the Fund's Adviser.

2 As of the date specified above, the Fund owned shares of one or more affiliated investment companies. For purposes of this table, the affiliated investment company (other than an affiliated money market mutual fund) is not treated as a single portfolio security, but rather the Fund is treated as owning a pro rata portion of each security and each other asset and liability owned by the affiliated investment company. Accordingly, the percentages of total net assets shown in the table will differ from those presented on the Portfolio of Investments.

3 For purposes of this table, index classifications which constitute less than 2.5% of the Fund's total net assets have been aggregated under the designation "Other."

4 Cash Equivalents include any investments in money market mutual funds and/or overnight repurchase agreements.

5 Assets, other than investments in securities, less liabilities. See Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Portfolio of Investments

December 31, 2022

Shares or Principal Amount		Value
2,788,498	INVESTMENT COMPANY—91.6% ¹ High Yield Bond Core Fund (IDENTIFIED COST \$16,031,494)	\$14,555,962
\$1,456,000	REPURCHASE AGREEMENT—9.2% Interest in \$1,350,000,000 joint repurchase agreement 4.30%, dated 12/30/2022 under which Bank of Montreal will repurchase securities provided as collateral for \$1,350,645,000 on 1/3/2023. The securities provided as collateral at the end of the period held with BNY Mellon as tri-party agent, were U.S. Government Agency securities with various maturities to 5/20/2072 and the market value of those underlying securities was \$1,379,047,631. (IDENTIFIED COST \$1,456,000)	\$ 1,456,000
	TOTAL INVESTMENT IN SECURITIES—100.8% (IDENTIFIED COST \$17,487,494) ²	16,011,962
	OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - NET—(0.8)% ³	(122,527)
	TOTAL NET ASSETS—100%	\$15,889,435

Affiliated fund holdings are investment companies which are managed by Federated Investment Management Company (the “Adviser”) or an affiliate of the Adviser. Transactions with affiliated fund holdings during the period ended December 31, 2022, were as follows:

	High Yield Bond Core Fund
Value as of 12/31/2021	\$ 124,807,376
Purchases at Cost	\$ 7,917,272
Proceeds from Sales	\$(108,900,000)
Change in Unrealized Appreciation/Depreciation	\$ (3,603,391)
Net Realized Gain/(Loss)	\$ (5,665,295)
Value as of 12/31/2022	\$ 14,555,962
Shares Held as of 12/31/2022	2,788,498
Dividend Income	\$ 2,267,098

The Fund invests in High Yield Bond Core Fund (HYCORE), a portfolio of Federated Hermes Core Trust (“Core Trust”) which is managed by the Adviser. Core Trust is an open-end management investment company, registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Act”), available only to registered investment companies and other institutional investors. The investment objective of HYCORE is to seek high current income. Federated Hermes, Inc. (“Federated Hermes”) receives no advisory or administrative fees from HYCORE. Income distributions from HYCORE are declared daily and paid monthly. All income distributions are recorded by the Fund as dividend income. Capital gain distributions of HYCORE, if any, are declared and paid annually, and are recorded by the Fund as capital gains received. At December 31, 2022, HYCORE represents 91.6% of the Fund’s net assets. Therefore, the performance of the Fund is directly affected by the performance of HYCORE. To illustrate the security holdings, financial condition, results of operations and changes in net assets of HYCORE, its financial statements are included within this report. The financial statements of HYCORE should be read in conjunction with the Fund’s financial statements. The valuation of securities held by HYCORE is discussed in the notes to its financial statements.

- ¹ Due to this affiliated holding representing greater than 75% of the Fund’s total net assets, a copy of the affiliated holding’s most recent Annual Report is included with this Report.
- ² The cost of investments for federal tax purposes amounts to \$17,941,903.
- ³ Assets, other than investments in securities, less liabilities. See Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Note: The categories of investments are shown as a percentage of total net assets at December 31, 2022.

Various inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund’s investments. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

- Level 1—quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.
- Level 2—other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.). Also includes securities valued at amortized cost.
- Level 3—significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund’s own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The following is a summary of the inputs used, as of December 31, 2022, in valuing the Fund's assets carried at fair value:

Valuation Inputs

	Level 1— Quoted Prices	Level 2— Other Significant Observable Inputs	Level 3— Significant Unobservable Inputs	Total
Investment Company	\$14,555,962	\$ —	\$—	\$14,555,962
Repurchase Agreement	—	1,456,000	—	1,456,000
TOTAL SECURITIES	\$14,555,962	\$1,456,000	\$—	\$16,011,962

See Notes which are an integral part of the Financial Statements

Financial Highlights

(For a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period)

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$13.16	\$13.18	\$13.20	\$12.21	\$13.29
Income From Investment Operations:					
Net investment income (loss)	0.76	0.71	0.75	0.82	0.81
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(2.27)	(0.01)	(0.01)	0.99	(1.08)
TOTAL FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS	(1.51)	0.70	0.74	1.81	(0.27)
Less Distributions:					
Distributions from net investment income	(0.77)	(0.72)	(0.76)	(0.82)	(0.81)
Net Asset Value, End of Period	\$10.88	\$13.16	\$13.18	\$13.20	\$12.21
Total Return¹	(11.63)%	5.40%	6.04%	15.10%	(2.19)%
Ratios to Average Net Assets:					
Net expenses ²	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Net investment income	6.24%	5.42%	5.93%	6.30%	6.26%
Expense waiver/reimbursement ³	0.55%	0.25%	0.45%	0.41%	0.45%
Supplemental Data:					
Net assets, end of period (000 omitted)	\$15,889	\$125,419	\$95,707	\$44,776	\$42,319
Portfolio turnover ⁴	24%	2%	23%	25%	20%

1 Based on net asset value.

2 The Adviser has contractually agreed to reimburse all expenses of the Fund, excluding extraordinary expenses. Amount does not reflect net expenses incurred by investment companies in which the Fund may invest.

3 This expense decrease is reflected in both the net expense and the net investment income ratios shown above. Amount does not reflect expense waiver/reimbursement recorded by investment companies in which the Fund may invest.

4 Securities that mature are considered sales for purposes of this calculation.

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

December 31, 2022

Assets:

Investment in securities, at value including \$14,555,962 of investments in affiliated holdings* (identified cost \$17,487,494)	\$16,011,962
Cash	342
Income receivable from affiliated holdings	84,394
Receivable for shares sold	23,796
TOTAL ASSETS	16,120,494

Liabilities:

Payable for investments purchased	84,046
Payable for shares redeemed	5,516
Income distribution payable	84,699
Payable to adviser (Note 5)	1,697
Payable for administrative fee (Note 5)	68
Payable for auditing fees	26,900
Payable for legal fees	4,158
Payable for portfolio accounting fees	13,724
Accrued expenses (Note 5)	10,251
TOTAL LIABILITIES	231,059

Net assets for 1,459,949 shares outstanding \$15,889,435

Net Assets Consist of:

Paid-in capital	\$24,879,864
Total distributable earnings (loss)	(8,990,429)
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$15,889,435

Net Asset Value, Offering Price and Redemption Proceeds Per Share:

\$15,889,435 ÷ 1,459,949 shares outstanding, no par value, unlimited shares authorized \$10.88

* See information listed after the Fund's Portfolio of Investments.

See Notes which are an integral part of the Financial Statements

Statement of Operations

Year Ended December 31, 2022

Investment Income:

Dividends received from affiliated holdings*	\$ 2,267,098
Interest	9,606
TOTAL INCOME	2,276,704

Expenses:

Administrative fee (Note 5)	28,556
Custodian fees	3,807
Transfer agent fees	6,058
Directors'/Trustees' fees (Note 5)	1,835
Auditing fees	26,901
Legal fees	9,201
Portfolio accounting fees	54,725
Share registration costs	31,066
Printing and postage	19,961
Commitment fee	10,983
Miscellaneous (Note 5)	7,233
TOTAL EXPENSES	200,326

Waivers and Reimbursement:

Waivers/reimbursement of other operating expenses (Notes 2 and 5)	(200,326)
Net expenses	—
Net investment income	2,276,704

Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments:

Net realized loss on investments in an affiliated holding*	(5,665,295)
Net change in unrealized appreciation of investments in an affiliated holding*	(3,603,391)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(9,268,686)
Change in net assets resulting from operations	\$(6,991,982)

* See information listed after the Fund's Portfolio of Investments.

See Notes which are an integral part of the Financial Statements

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended December 31	2022	2021
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets		
Operations:		
Net investment income	\$ 2,276,704	\$ 6,035,890
Net realized gain (loss)	(5,665,295)	(34,687)
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	(3,603,391)	(252,020)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS	(6,991,982)	5,749,183
Distributions to Shareholders	(2,276,985)	(6,035,472)
Share Transactions:		
Proceeds from sale of shares	13,195,555	42,889,213
Net asset value of shares issued to shareholders in payment of distributions declared	101,793	212,775
Cost of shares redeemed	(113,557,902)	(13,103,471)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM SHARE TRANSACTIONS	(100,260,554)	29,998,517
Change in net assets	(109,529,521)	29,712,228
Net Assets:		
Beginning of period	125,418,956	95,706,728
End of period	\$ 15,889,435	\$125,418,956

See Notes which are an integral part of the Financial Statements

Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

1. ORGANIZATION

Federated Hermes Managed Pool Series (the "Trust") is registered under the Act, as an open-end management investment company. The Trust consists of five portfolios. The financial statements included herein are only those of Federated Hermes High Yield Strategy Portfolio (the "Fund"), a non-diversified portfolio. The financial statements of the other portfolios are presented separately. The assets of each portfolio are segregated and a shareholder's interest is limited to the portfolio in which shares are held. Each portfolio pays its own expenses. The investment objective of the Fund is to seek high current income by investing primarily in a high-yield bond mutual fund and in a portfolio of fixed-income securities.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements. These policies are in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

Investment Valuation

In calculating its net asset value (NAV), the Fund generally values investments as follows:

- Fixed-income securities are fair valued using price evaluations provided by a pricing service approved by Federated Investment Management Company (the "Adviser").
- Shares of other mutual funds or non-exchange traded investment companies are valued based upon their reported NAVs, or NAV per share practical expedient, as applicable.
- Derivative contracts listed on exchanges are valued at their reported settlement or closing price, except that options are valued at the mean of closing bid and ask quotations.
- Over-the-counter (OTC) derivative contracts are fair valued using price evaluations provided by a pricing service approved by the Adviser.
- For securities that are fair valued in accordance with procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Adviser, certain factors may be considered, such as: the last traded or purchase price of the security, information obtained by contacting the issuer or dealers, analysis of the issuer's financial statements or other available documents, fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, the movement of the market in which the security is normally traded, public trading in similar securities or derivative contracts of the issuer or comparable issuers, movement of a relevant index, or other factors including but not limited to industry changes and relevant government actions.

If any price, quotation, price evaluation or other pricing source is not readily available when the NAV is calculated, if the Fund cannot obtain price evaluations from a pricing service or from more than one dealer for an investment within a reasonable period of time as set forth in the Adviser's valuation policies and procedures for the Fund, or if information furnished by a pricing service, in the opinion of the Adviser's valuation committee ("Valuation Committee"), is deemed not representative of the fair value of such security, the Fund uses the fair value of the investment determined in accordance with the procedures described below. There can be no assurance that the Fund could obtain the fair value assigned to an investment if it sold the investment at approximately the time at which the Fund determines its NAV per share, and the actual value obtained could be materially different.

Fair Valuation and Significant Events Procedures

Pursuant to Rule 2a-5 under the Act, the Fund's Board of Trustees (the "Trustees") have designated the Adviser as the Fund's valuation designee to perform any fair value determinations for securities and other assets held by the Fund. The Adviser is subject to the Trustees' oversight and certain reporting and other requirements intended to provide the Trustees the information needed to oversee the Adviser's fair value determinations.

The Adviser, acting through its Valuation Committee, is responsible for determining the fair value of investments for which market quotations are not readily available. The Valuation Committee is comprised of officers of the Adviser and certain of the Adviser's affiliated companies and determines fair value and oversees the calculation of the NAV. The Valuation Committee is also authorized to use pricing services to provide fair value evaluations of the current value of certain investments for purposes of calculating the NAV. The Valuation Committee employs various methods for reviewing third-party pricing-service evaluations including periodic reviews of third-party pricing services' policies, procedures and valuation methods (including key inputs, methods, models and assumptions), transactional back-testing, comparisons of evaluations of different pricing services, and review of price challenges by the Adviser based on recent market activity. In the event that market quotations and price evaluations are not available for an investment, the Valuation Committee determines the fair value of the investment in accordance with procedures adopted by the Adviser. The Trustees periodically review the fair valuations made by the Valuation Committee. The Trustees have also approved the Adviser's fair valuation and significant events procedures as part of the Fund's compliance program and will review any changes made to the procedures.

Factors considered by pricing services in evaluating an investment include the yields or prices of investments of comparable quality, coupon, maturity, call rights and other potential prepayments, terms and type, reported transactions, indications as to values from dealers and general market conditions. Some pricing services provide a single price evaluation reflecting the bid-side of the market for an investment (a "bid" evaluation). Other pricing services offer both bid evaluations and price evaluations indicative of a price between the prices bid and ask for the investment (a "mid" evaluation). The Fund normally uses bid evaluations for any U.S. Treasury and Agency securities, mortgage-backed securities and municipal securities. The Fund normally uses mid evaluations for any other types of fixed-income securities and any OTC derivative contracts. In the event that market quotations and price evaluations are not available for an investment, the fair value of the investment is determined in accordance with procedures adopted by the Adviser.

The Adviser has also adopted procedures requiring an investment to be priced at its fair value whenever the Valuation Committee determines that a significant event affecting the value of the investment has occurred between the time as of which the price of the investment would otherwise be determined and the time as of which the NAV is computed. An event is considered significant if there is both an affirmative expectation that the investment's value will change in response to the event and a reasonable basis for quantifying the resulting change in value. Examples of significant events that may occur after the close of the principal market on which a security is traded, or after the time of a price evaluation provided by a pricing service or a dealer, include:

- With respect to securities traded principally in foreign markets, significant trends in U.S. equity markets or in the trading of foreign securities index futures contracts;
- Political or other developments affecting the economy or markets in which an issuer conducts its operations or its securities are traded;
- Announcements concerning matters such as acquisitions, recapitalizations, litigation developments, or a natural disaster affecting the issuer's operations or regulatory changes or market developments affecting the issuer's industry.

The Adviser has adopted procedures whereby the Valuation Committee uses a pricing service to provide factors to update the fair value of equity securities traded principally in foreign markets from the time of the close of their respective foreign stock exchanges to the pricing time of the Fund. For other significant events, the Fund may seek to obtain more current quotations or price evaluations from alternative pricing sources. If a reliable alternative pricing source is not available, the Valuation Committee will determine the fair value of the investment in accordance with the fair valuation procedures approved by the Adviser. The Trustees periodically review fair valuations made in response to significant events.

Repurchase Agreements

The Fund may invest in repurchase agreements for short-term liquidity purposes. It is the policy of the Fund to require the other party to a repurchase agreement to transfer to the Fund's custodian or sub-custodian eligible securities or cash with a market value (after transaction costs) at least equal to the repurchase price to be paid under the repurchase agreement. The eligible securities are transferred to accounts with the custodian or sub-custodian in which the Fund holds a "securities entitlement" and exercises "control" as those terms are defined in the Uniform Commercial Code. The Fund has established procedures for monitoring the market value of the transferred securities and requiring the transfer of additional eligible securities if necessary to equal at least the repurchase price. These procedures also allow the other party to require securities to be transferred from the account to the extent that their market value exceeds the repurchase price or in exchange for other eligible securities of equivalent market value.

The insolvency of the other party or other failure to repurchase the securities may delay the disposition of the underlying securities or cause the Fund to receive less than the full repurchase price. Under the terms of the repurchase agreement, any amounts received by the Fund in excess of the repurchase price and related transaction costs must be remitted to the other party.

The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements in which eligible securities are transferred into joint trading accounts maintained by the custodian or sub-custodian for investment companies and other clients advised by the Fund's Adviser and its affiliates. The Fund will participate on a pro rata basis with the other investment companies and clients in its share of the securities transferred under such repurchase agreements and in its share of proceeds from any repurchase or other disposition of such securities.

Repurchase agreements are subject to Master Netting Agreements which are agreements between the Fund and its counterparties that provide for the net settlement of all transactions and collateral with the Fund, through a single payment, in the event of default or termination. Amounts presented on the Portfolio of Investments and Statement of Assets and Liabilities are not net settlement amounts but gross. As indicated above, the cash or securities to be repurchased, as shown on the Portfolio of Investments, exceeds the repurchase price to be paid under the agreement reducing the net settlement amount to zero.

Investment Income, Gains and Losses, Expenses and Distributions

Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade-date basis. Realized gains and losses from investment transactions are recorded on an identified-cost basis. Interest income and expenses are accrued daily. Dividend income and distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Distributions of net investment income, if any, are declared daily and paid monthly. Amortization/accretion of premium and discount is included in investment income. The detail of the total fund expense reimbursement of \$200,326 is disclosed in Note 5.

Federal Taxes

It is the Fund's policy to comply with the Subchapter M provision of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and to distribute to shareholders each year substantially all of its income. Accordingly, no provision for federal income tax is necessary. As of and during the year ended December 31, 2022, the Fund did not have a liability for any uncertain tax positions. The Fund recognizes interest and penalties, if any, related to tax liabilities as income tax expense in the Statement of Operations. As of December 31, 2022, tax years 2019 through 2022 remain subject to examination by the Fund's major tax jurisdictions, which include the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

When-Issued and Delayed-Delivery Transactions

The Fund may engage in when-issued or delayed-delivery transactions. The Fund records when-issued securities on the trade date and maintains security positions such that sufficient liquid assets will be available to make payment for the securities purchased. Securities purchased on a when-issued or delayed-delivery basis are marked to market daily and begin earning interest on the settlement date. Losses may occur on these transactions due to changes in market conditions or the failure of counterparties to perform under the contract.

Other

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts of assets, liabilities, expenses and revenues reported in the financial statements. Actual results could differ materially from those estimated. The Fund applies investment company accounting and reporting guidance.

3. SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST

The following table summarizes share activity:

	Year Ended 12/31/2022	Year Ended 12/31/2021
Shares sold	1,102,776	3,246,928
Shares issued to shareholders in payment of distributions declared	8,523	16,143
Shares redeemed	(9,181,840)	(993,919)
NET CHANGE RESULTING FROM FUND SHARE TRANSACTIONS	(8,070,541)	2,269,152

4. FEDERAL TAX INFORMATION

The tax character of distributions as reported on the Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, was as follows:

	2022	2021
Ordinary income	\$2,276,985	\$6,035,472

As of December 31, 2022, the components of distributable earnings on a tax-basis were as follows:

Undistributed ordinary income	\$ 1,188
Net unrealized depreciation	\$(1,929,941)
Capital loss carryforwards	\$(7,061,676)
TOTAL	\$(8,990,429)

At December 31, 2022, the cost of investments for federal tax purposes was \$17,941,903. The net unrealized depreciation of investments for federal tax purposes was \$1,929,941. This consists entirely of unrealized depreciation from investments for those securities having an excess of cost over value of \$1,929,941. The difference between book-basis and tax-basis net unrealized depreciation is attributable to differing treatments for deferral of losses on wash sales.

As of December 31, 2022, the Fund had a capital loss carryforward of \$7,061,676 which will reduce the Fund's taxable income arising from future net realized gains on investments, if any, to the extent permitted by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, thereby reducing the amount of distributions to shareholders which would otherwise be necessary to relieve the Fund of any liability for federal income tax. Pursuant to the Code, these net capital losses retain their character as either short-term or long-term and do not expire.

The following schedule summarizes the Fund's capital loss carryforwards:

Short-Term	Long-Term	Total
\$1,183,168	\$5,878,508	\$7,061,676

5. INVESTMENT ADVISER FEE AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES

Investment Adviser Fee

The Adviser provides investment adviser services at no fee because all eligible investors are: (1) in separately managed or wrap fee programs, who often pay a single aggregate fee to the wrap program sponsor for all costs and expenses of the wrap fee programs; or (2) in certain other separately managed accounts and discretionary investment accounts. The Adviser has contractually agreed to reimburse all expenses of the Fund, excluding extraordinary expenses. Acquired fund fees and expenses are not direct obligations of the Fund and are not contractual reimbursements under the investment advisory contract.

For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Adviser reimbursed \$200,326 of other operating expenses.

Administrative Fee

Federated Administrative Services (FAS), under the Administrative Services Agreement, provides the Fund with administrative personnel and services. For purposes of determining the appropriate rate breakpoint, "Investment Complex" is defined as all of the Federated Hermes Funds subject to a fee under the Administrative Services Agreement. The fee paid to FAS is based on the average daily net assets of the Investment Complex as specified below:

Administrative Fee	Average Daily Net Assets of the Investment Complex
0.100%	on assets up to \$50 billion
0.075%	on assets over \$50 billion

For the year ended December 31, 2022, the annualized fee paid to FAS was 0.078% of average daily net assets of the Fund. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Fund's Adviser reimbursed the Fund for any fee paid to FAS.

In addition, FAS may charge certain out-of-pocket expenses to the Fund.

Directors'/Trustees' and Miscellaneous Fees

Certain Officers and Trustees of the Fund are Officers and Directors or Trustees of certain of the above companies. To efficiently facilitate payment, Independent Directors'/Trustees' fees and certain expenses related to conducting meetings of the Directors/Trustees and other miscellaneous expenses are paid by an affiliate of the Adviser which in due course are reimbursed by the Fund. These expenses related to conducting meetings of the Directors/Trustees and other miscellaneous expenses may be included in Accrued and Miscellaneous Expenses on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and Statement of Operations, respectively.

6. INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS

Purchases and sales of investments, excluding long-term U.S. government securities and short-term obligations, for the year ended December 31, 2022, were as follows:

Purchases	\$ 7,917,270
Sales	\$108,900,000

7. LINE OF CREDIT

The Fund participates with certain other Federated Hermes Funds, on a several basis, in an up to \$500,000,000 unsecured, 364-day, committed, revolving line of credit (LOC) agreement dated June 22, 2022. The LOC was made available to temporarily finance the repurchase or redemption of shares of the Fund, failed trades, payment of dividends, settlement of trades and for other short-term, temporary or emergency general business purposes. The Fund cannot borrow under the LOC if an inter-fund loan is outstanding. The Fund's ability to borrow under the LOC also is subject to the limitations of the Act and various conditions precedent that must be satisfied before the Fund can borrow. Loans under the LOC are charged interest at a fluctuating rate per annum equal to (a) the highest, on any day, of (i) the federal funds effective rate, (ii) the published secured overnight financing rate plus an assigned percentage, and (iii) 0.0%, plus (b) a margin. Any fund eligible to borrow under the LOC pays its pro rata share of a commitment fee based on the amount of the lenders' commitment that has not been utilized, quarterly in arrears and at maturity. As of December 31, 2022, the Fund had no outstanding loans. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Fund did not utilize the LOC.

8. INTERFUND LENDING

Pursuant to an Exemptive Order issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Fund, along with other funds advised by subsidiaries of Federated Hermes, Inc., may participate in an interfund lending program. This program provides an alternative credit facility allowing the Fund to borrow from other participating affiliated funds. As of December 31, 2022, there were no outstanding loans. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the program was not utilized.

9. INDEMNIFICATIONS

Under the Fund's organizational documents, its Officers and Directors/Trustees are indemnified against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Fund (other than liabilities arising out of their willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of their duties to the Fund). In addition, in the normal course of business, the Fund provides certain indemnifications under arrangements with third parties. Typically, obligations to indemnify a third party arise in the context of an arrangement entered into by the Fund under which the Fund agrees to indemnify such third party for certain liabilities arising out of actions taken pursuant to the arrangement, provided the third party's actions are not deemed to have breached an agreed-upon standard of care (such as willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of their duties under the contract). The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet arisen. The Fund does not anticipate any material claims or losses pursuant to these arrangements at this time, and accordingly expects the risk of loss to be remote.

10. OTHER MATTERS

An outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus was first detected in China in late 2019 and subsequently spread globally. As of the date of the issuance of these financial statements, this coronavirus has resulted in, and may continue to result in, closed borders, enhanced health screenings, disruptions to healthcare service preparation and delivery, quarantines, cancellations, and disruptions to supply chains, workflow operations and consumer activity, as well as general concern and uncertainty. The impact of this coronavirus has resulted in substantial economic volatility. Health crises caused by outbreaks, such as the coronavirus outbreak, may exacerbate other pre-existing political, social and economic risks. The impact of this outbreak, and other epidemics and pandemics that may arise in the future, could continue to negatively affect the worldwide economy, as well as the economies of individual countries, individual companies (including certain Fund service providers and issuers of the Fund's investments) and the markets in general in significant and unforeseen ways. In addition, governments, their regulatory agencies, or self-regulatory organizations may take actions in response to the pandemic, including significant fiscal and monetary policy changes, that may affect the instruments in which the Fund invests or the issuers of such investments. Any such impact could adversely affect the Fund's performance.

11. FEDERAL TAX INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, 84.22% of dividends paid by the Fund are interest-related dividends, as provided by the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FEDERATED HERMES HIGH YIELD STRATEGY PORTFOLIO:

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of Federated Hermes High Yield Strategy Portfolio (the “Fund”) (one of the portfolios constituting Federated Hermes Managed Pool Series (the “Trust”)), including the portfolio of investments, as of December 31, 2022, and the related statement of operations for the year then ended, the statement of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended and the related notes (collectively referred to as the “financial statements”). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund (one of the portfolios constituting Federated Hermes Managed Pool Series) at December 31, 2022, the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended and its financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Trust’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund’s financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (“PCAOB”) and are required to be independent with respect to the Trust in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Trust is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of the Trust’s internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Trust’s internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2022, by correspondence with the custodian, brokers, and others; when replies were not received from brokers or others, we performed other auditing procedures. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Ernst + Young LLP

We have served as the auditor of one or more Federated Hermes investment companies since 1979.

Boston, Massachusetts
February 22, 2023

Shareholder Expense Example (unaudited)

As a shareholder of the Fund, you incur ongoing costs, including to the extent applicable, management fees, distribution (12b-1) fees and/or other service fees and other Fund expenses. This Example is intended to help you to understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. It is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held for the entire period from July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

ACTUAL EXPENSES

The first section of the table below provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in this section, together with the amount you invested, to *estimate* the expenses that you incurred over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the first section under the heading entitled “Expenses Paid During Period” to estimate the expenses attributable to your investment during this period.

HYPOTHETICAL EXAMPLE FOR COMPARISON PURPOSES

The second section of the table below provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Fund’s actual expense ratio and an *assumed* rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Fund’s actual return. Thus, you should *not* use the hypothetical account values and expenses to estimate the actual ending account balance or your expenses for the period. Rather, these figures are required to be provided to enable you to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Fund with other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only. Therefore, the second section of the table is useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you determine the relative *total* costs of owning different funds.

	Beginning Account Value 7/1/2022	Ending Account Value 12/31/2022	Expenses Paid During Period ¹
Actual	\$1,000	\$1,027.20	\$0.00
Hypothetical (assuming a 5% return before expenses)	\$1,000	\$1,025.21	\$0.00

¹ Expenses are equal to the Fund’s annualized net expense ratio of 0.00%, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half-year period). The Adviser has contractually agreed to reimburse all operating expenses, excluding extraordinary expenses incurred by the Fund. This agreement has no fixed term.

High Yield Bond Core Fund

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Federated Hermes High Yield Strategy Portfolio invests primarily in High Yield Bond Core Fund. Therefore, the High Yield Bond Core Fund financial statements and notes to financial statements are included on pages 18 through 42.

Management's Discussion of Fund Performance (unaudited)

The total return of the High Yield Bond Core Fund (the "Fund"), based on net asset value for the 12-month reporting period ended December 31, 2022, was -11.96%. The total return of the Fund's shares consisted of 5.71% current income and -17.67% of depreciation in the net asset value of the Fund's shares. The total return of the Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index (BHY2%ICI),¹ a broad-based securities market index, was -11.18% during the same period. The Fund's total return for the most recently completed fiscal year reflected actual cash flows, transaction costs and expenses which were not reflected in the total return of the BHY2%ICI.

During the reporting period, the most significant factors affecting the Fund's performance relative to the BHY2%ICI were: (1) the allocation among industry sectors, (2) the selection of individual securities and (3) the duration of the portfolio's holdings. The following discussion will focus on the Fund's performance relative to the BHY2%ICI.

MARKET OVERVIEW

The major factors influencing markets during the period under review were concerns about the economy and inflation. Economic growth started the year slowly as the lingering impact of the pandemic, the outbreak of war in Ukraine, supply chain issues and surging prices, especially for energy and food, caused major distortions. Global central banks, including the Federal Reserve, responded to the surge in prices by aggressively raising short-term interest rates. Longer-term rates also rose although less than short-term rates which resulted in an inverted yield curve.² This raised further concerns about the economy. However, the second half of the year saw economic growth surprise to the upside as a robust job market, rising wages, declining pandemic-related concerns and normalizing supply chains provided support. Corporate earnings also proved resilient as companies were able to aggressively raise prices to offset surging input costs and rising wages, while demand was supported by the strong jobs market and from the benefits of the reopening from the pandemic. Default rates and credit spreads for high-yield securities both climbed modestly higher. The overall impact of these factors can be illustrated by the change in credit spreads between the Credit Suisse High Yield Bond Index³ and Treasury securities with similar maturities which began the period at 355 basis points, peaked in early July at 606 basis points before declining to end the fiscal year at 499 basis points.

Within the high-yield⁴ market, major industry sectors that substantially outperformed the overall BHY2%ICI during the reporting period included: Oil Field Services, Aerospace and Defense, Gaming, Independent Energy and Metals & Mining. Major industry sectors that substantially underperformed the overall BHY2%ICI during the fiscal year included: Pharmaceuticals, Retail, Wireless Telecommunications, Media & Entertainment and Cable & Satellite. From a quality perspective, the B-rated sector led the way with a total return of -10.26% followed by the BB-rated sector at -10.77%. The CCC-rated sector, perhaps reflecting some economic concerns, lagged with a return of -16.29%.

SECTOR ALLOCATION

The Fund was positively impacted by its sector allocation relative to the BHY2%ICI. The Fund was positively impacted by its overweight allocation to the strong performing Insurance – Property and Casualty (P&C) and Oil Field Services industry sectors. The Fund was also positively impacted by its underweight allocations to the poor performing Retail, Wireline Telecommunications and Wireless Telecommunications sectors. In addition, the Fund was positively impacted by its cash holdings. The Fund was negatively impacted by its overweight allocations to the poor performing Pharmaceuticals, Media & Entertainment and Cable & Satellite sectors. It was also negatively impacted by its underweight allocations to the Refining, Other Industrials, Airline and Metal & Mining sectors.

SECURITY SELECTION

The Fund's security selection had a negative impact on performance relative to the BHY2%ICI. Security selection in Technology, Pharmaceuticals, Media & Entertainment, Healthcare, Chemicals, Cable & Satellite, Gaming, Diversified Manufacturing, Building Materials, Finance Companies, Midstream, Restaurants and Consumer Cyclical Services sectors negatively impacted performance. Specific high-yield issuers held by the Fund that negatively impacted performance relative to the BHY2%ICI included: Audacy, Inc., CSC Holdings LLC, Rackspace Technology, Mallinckrodt International and Polar US Barrower. The Fund was positively impacted by security selection in Insurance - P&C, Retail, Independent Energy, Wireless Telecommunications, Oil Field Services, and Consumer Products sectors. Specific high-yield issuers held by the Fund that positively impacted performance relative to the BHY2%ICI included: Hub International Limited, Clarios Global LP, USIS Merger Subsidiary, Inc., Flex Acquisition and Gates Global LLC. The Fund also benefitted from its equity position in Superior Energy Services, Inc.

DURATION

The Fund began the reporting period with a duration shorter than the BHY2%ICI. Given the substantial increase in the general interest rate⁵ level during the period as well as the increase in credit spreads, the shorter duration had a positive impact early in the period. At the end of the fiscal year, the Fund's duration⁶ was modestly greater than the BHY2%ICI.

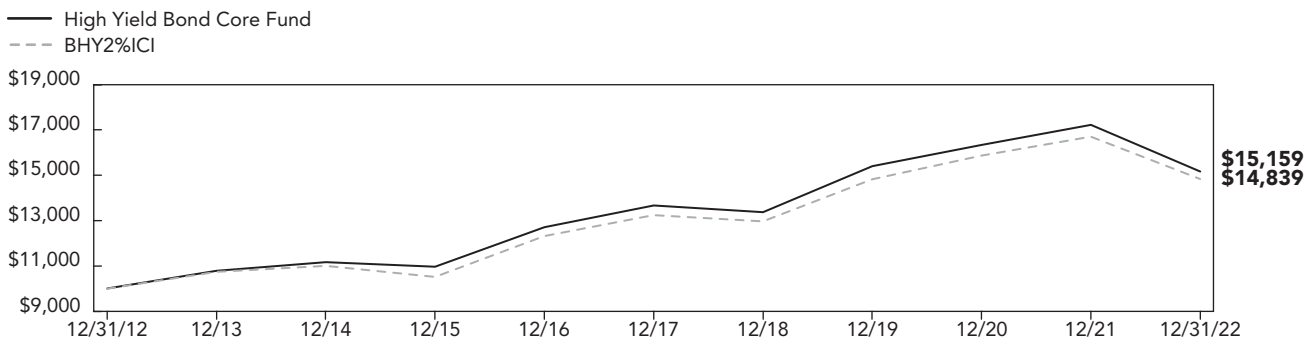
- 1 Please see the footnotes to the line graphs below for definitions of, and further information about, the BHY2%ICI.
 - 2 The yield curve is a graph showing the comparative yields of securities in a particular class according to maturity. Securities on the long end of the yield curve have longer maturities.
 - 3 Credit Suisse High Yield Bond Index serves as a benchmark to evaluate the performance of low-quality bonds. Low-quality is defined as those bonds in the range from "BB" to "CCC" and defaults.*
 - 4 High-yield, lower-rated securities generally entail greater market, credit and liquidity risks than investment-grade securities and may include higher volatility and a higher risk of default.
 - 5 Bond prices are sensitive to changes in interest rates, and a rise in interest rates can cause a decline in their prices.
 - 6 Duration is a measure of a security's price sensitivity to changes in interest rates. Securities with longer durations are more sensitive to changes in interest rates than securities of shorter durations.
- * The index is unmanaged, and it is not possible to invest directly in an index.

FUND PERFORMANCE AND GROWTH OF A \$10,000 INVESTMENT

The graph below illustrates the hypothetical investment of \$10,000¹ in the High Yield Bond Core Fund (the “Fund”) from December 31, 2012 to December 31, 2022, compared to the Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index (BHY2%ICI).² The Average Annual Total Return table below shows returns averaged over the stated periods.

GROWTH OF A \$10,000 INVESTMENT

Growth of \$10,000 as of December 31, 2022



Average Annual Total Returns for the Period Ended 12/31/2022

	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Fund	-11.96%	2.10%	4.25%
BHY2%ICI	-11.18%	2.30%	4.03%

Performance data quoted represents past performance which is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor’s shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Mutual fund performance changes over time and current performance may be lower or higher than what is stated. For current to the most recent month-end performance and after-tax returns, call 1-800-341-7400. Returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares. Mutual funds are not obligations of or guaranteed by any bank and are not federally insured.

- 1 The Fund’s performance assumes the reinvestment of all dividends and distributions. The BHY2%ICI has been adjusted to reflect reinvestment of dividends on securities in the index.
- 2 The BHY2%ICI is an issuer-constrained version of the Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Index that measures the market of USD-denominated, noninvestment-grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bonds. The index follows the same rules as the uncapped index but limits the exposure of each issuer to 2% of the total market value and redistributes any excess market value index-wide on a pro rata basis. The BHY2%ICI is not adjusted to reflect sales charges, expenses or other fees that the Securities and Exchange Commission requires to be reflected in the Fund’s performance. The index is unmanaged and, unlike the Fund, is not affected by cash flows. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

Portfolio of Investments Summary Table (unaudited)

At December 31, 2022, the Fund's index classification¹ was as follows:

Index Classification	Percentage of Total Net Assets
Technology	9.5%
Cable Satellite	8.4%
Midstream	7.0%
Insurance - P&C	6.8%
Media Entertainment	6.7%
Health Care	5.4%
Automotive	5.1%
Packaging	4.9%
Independent Energy	4.9%
Building Materials	4.8%
Gaming	4.3%
Chemicals	3.7%
Other ²	24.9%
Cash Equivalents ³	2.4%
Other Assets and Liabilities - Net ⁴	1.2%
TOTAL	100%

1 Index classifications are based upon, and individual portfolio securities are assigned to, the classifications and sub-classifications of the Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index (BHY2%ICI). Individual portfolio securities that are not included in the BHY2%ICI are assigned to an index classification by the Fund's Adviser.

2 For purposes of this table, index classifications which constitute less than 3.5% of the Fund's total net assets have been aggregated under the designation "Other."

3 Cash Equivalents include any investments in money market mutual funds and/or overnight repurchase agreements.

4 Assets, other than investments in securities, less liabilities. See Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Portfolio of Investments

December 31, 2022

Principal Amount or Shares		Value
	CORPORATE BONDS—95.4%	
	Aerospace/Defense—1.5%	
\$ 3,800,000	TransDigm, Inc., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 6.250%, 3/15/2026	\$ 3,755,882
4,800,000	TransDigm, Inc., Sr. Sub., 6.875%, 5/15/2026	4,694,705
2,600,000	TransDigm, Inc., Sr. Sub., Series WI, 7.500%, 3/15/2027	2,576,567
	TOTAL	11,027,154
	Automotive—5.1%	
3,075,000	Adient Global Holdings Ltd., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.875%, 8/15/2026	2,867,253
5,400,000	Dornoch Debt Merger Sub, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.625%, 10/15/2029	3,795,153
6,825,000	Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 3.375%, 11/13/2025	6,181,968
3,700,000	Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.000%, 11/13/2030	3,044,378
2,000,000	Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.125%, 8/17/2027	1,794,590
3,725,000	Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.113%, 5/3/2029	3,381,555
1,800,000	Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, Series GMTN, 4.389%, 1/8/2026	1,680,759
400,000	IHO Verwaltungs GmbH, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 6.000%, 5/15/2027	351,810
1,600,000	IHO Verwaltungs GmbH, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 6.375%, 5/15/2029	1,354,920
8,025,000	Panther BF Aggregator 2 LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.500%, 5/15/2027	7,852,916
4,300,000	Real Hero Merger Sub 2, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.250%, 2/1/2029	2,953,240
3,575,000	Schaeffler Verwaltung ZW, 144A, 4.750%, 9/15/2026	3,099,324
	TOTAL	38,357,866
	Building Materials—4.8%	
2,500,000	Abc Supply Co., Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.875%, 11/15/2029	2,046,812
1,250,000	Camelot Return Merger SU, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 8.750%, 8/1/2028	1,148,656
1,300,000	Cornerstone Building Brands, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.125%, 1/15/2029	917,631
4,150,000	Cp Atlas Buyer, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.000%, 12/1/2028	3,087,619
5,125,000	Foundation Building Materials, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.000%, 3/1/2029	3,860,272
4,275,000	Gyp Holdings III Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.625%, 5/1/2029	3,495,957
2,950,000	Interface, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 12/1/2028	2,439,758
1,950,000	MIWD Holdco II LLC/MIWD Finance Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 2/1/2030	1,555,028
4,175,000	SRS Distribution, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.000%, 12/1/2029	3,328,114
2,850,000	SRS Distribution, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.125%, 7/1/2029	2,307,987
2,850,000	Standard Industries, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.375%, 7/15/2030	2,328,477
1,200,000	Standard Industries, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.750%, 1/15/2028	1,081,620
3,425,000	Standard Industries, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 2/15/2027	3,165,447
3,575,000	White Cap Buyer LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.875%, 10/15/2028	3,098,252
2,150,000	White Cap Parent LLC, Sr. Sub. Secd. Note, 144A, 8.250%, 3/15/2026	1,861,341
	TOTAL	35,722,971
	Cable Satellite—8.4%	
2,300,000	CCO Holdings LLC/Cap Corp., Sr. Sub. Secd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 5/1/2026	2,230,380
3,000,000	CCO Holdings LLC/Cap Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.500%, 5/1/2032	2,393,775
1,300,000	CCO Holdings LLC/Cap Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.000%, 3/1/2023	1,295,148
3,225,000	CCO Holdings LLC/Cap Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.250%, 2/1/2031	2,594,190
1,675,000	CCO Holdings LLC/Cap Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.250%, 1/15/2034	1,239,500
1,500,000	CCO Holdings LLC/Cap Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.500%, 8/15/2030	1,242,615
2,150,000	CCO Holdings LLC/Cap Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.500%, 6/1/2033	1,653,877
1,650,000	CCO Holdings LLC/Cap Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 2/1/2028	1,501,822
650,000	CCO Holdings LLC/Cap Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.375%, 6/1/2029	589,241
1,550,000	CSC Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.375%, 2/15/2031	1,013,344
3,800,000	CSC Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.125%, 12/1/2030	2,690,533

Principal Amount or Shares		Value
	CORPORATE BONDS—continued	
	Cable Satellite—continued	
\$ 3,800,000	CSC Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.500%, 11/15/2031	\$ 2,643,618
4,225,000	CSC Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.625%, 12/1/2030	2,344,195
2,275,000	CSC Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 11/15/2031	1,274,000
4,500,000	CSC Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.750%, 1/15/2030	2,547,878
950,000	DIRECTV Holdings LLC, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 5.875%, 8/15/2027	851,732
2,000,000	DISH DBS Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 7.375%, 7/1/2028	1,418,250
5,900,000	DISH DBS Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, Series WI, 5.125%, 6/1/2029	3,817,211
1,000,000	DISH Network Corp., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 11.750%, 11/15/2027	1,031,150
3,000,000	Doyla Holdco 18 Designated Activity Co., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 7/15/2028	2,626,927
2,650,000	^{1,2,3} Intelsat Jackson Holdings S.A., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.500%, 8/1/2023	0
2,475,000	^{1,2,3} Intelsat Jackson Holdings S.A., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.500%, 10/15/2024	0
1,975,000	^{1,2,3} Intelsat Jackson Holdings S.A., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 9.750%, 7/15/2025	0
4,175,000	Sirius XM Radio, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.875%, 9/1/2031	3,265,243
2,725,000	Sirius XM Radio, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.125%, 7/1/2030	2,254,842
1,000,000	Sirius XM Radio, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 7/1/2029	915,035
5,000,000	Telenet Finance Luxembourg, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 5.500%, 3/1/2028	4,550,000
5,525,000	UPC Broadband Finco BV, Sr. Note, 144A, 4.875%, 7/15/2031	4,606,800
725,000	Virgin Media Finance PLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 7/15/2030	582,679
625,000	Virgin Media Secured Finance PLC, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 5.500%, 5/15/2029	561,291
1,000,000	Vmed O2 UK Financing I PLC, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 4.250%, 1/31/2031	811,770
2,425,000	Vmed O2 UK Financing I PLC, Sr. Note, 144A, 4.750%, 7/15/2031	1,974,690
6,175,000	Ziggo Finance BV, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.000%, 1/15/2027	5,755,100
	TOTAL	62,276,836
	Chemicals—3.7%	
3,575,000	Axalta Coating Systems LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.375%, 2/15/2029	2,954,345
225,000	Cheever Escrow Issuer, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 7.125%, 10/1/2027	215,729
5,100,000	Diamond BC BV, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.625%, 10/1/2029	4,099,380
2,275,000	Element Solutions, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.875%, 9/1/2028	1,937,390
2,775,000	H.B. Fuller Co., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.250%, 10/15/2028	2,465,352
4,700,000	Herens Holdco S.a.r.l., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 4.750%, 5/15/2028	3,518,913
5,225,000	Koppers, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.000%, 2/15/2025	4,972,005
5,675,000	Olympus Water US Holding Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.250%, 10/1/2029	4,315,873
3,950,000	Polar US Borrower LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.750%, 5/15/2026	1,470,486
1,875,000	WR Grace Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.625%, 8/15/2029	1,518,319
	TOTAL	27,467,792
	Construction Machinery—0.6%	
2,525,000	H&E Equipment Services, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.875%, 12/15/2028	2,155,201
1,225,000	United Rentals, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 3.875%, 2/15/2031	1,029,668
625,000	United Rentals North America, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 3.750%, 1/15/2032	510,706
1,100,000	United Rentals North America, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.875%, 1/15/2028	1,044,841
	TOTAL	4,740,416
	Consumer Cyclical Services—2.2%	
6,800,000	Allied Universal Holdco LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.000%, 6/1/2029	4,944,006
3,500,000	Allied Universal Holdco LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 9.750%, 7/15/2027	3,052,525
6,875,000	Garda World Security Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.000%, 6/1/2029	5,595,208
2,828,000	GW B-CR Security Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 9.500%, 11/1/2027	2,727,892
1,500,000	Signal Parent, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.125%, 4/1/2029	459,375
	TOTAL	16,779,006
	Consumer Products—1.7%	
6,850,000	BCPE Empire Holdings, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.625%, 5/1/2027	6,151,506

Principal Amount or Shares		Value
	CORPORATE BONDS—continued	
	Consumer Products—continued	
\$ 1,450,000	Edgewell Personal Care Co., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.125%, 4/1/2029	\$ 1,238,189
5,275,000	Energizer Holdings, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.375%, 3/31/2029	4,481,941
650,000	Energizer Holdings, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.750%, 6/15/2028	564,332
	TOTAL	12,435,968
	Diversified Manufacturing—1.2%	
5,875,000	Gates Global LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.250%, 1/15/2026	5,678,481
2,900,000	WESCO Distribution, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.250%, 6/15/2028	2,944,135
	TOTAL	8,622,616
	Finance Companies—2.2%	
900,000	Navient Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.875%, 3/15/2028	741,454
4,950,000	Navient Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.500%, 3/15/2029	4,046,478
250,000	Navient Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 6.750%, 6/25/2025	240,414
5,250,000	Quicken Loans LLC/Quicken Loans Co-Issuer, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.875%, 3/1/2031	4,019,665
2,275,000	Rocket Mortgage Co-Issuer, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.000%, 10/15/2033	1,702,394
2,775,000	United Shore Financial Services, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 11/15/2025	2,503,272
3,000,000	United Wholesale Mortgage LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 4/15/2029	2,390,850
1,275,000	United Wholesale Mortgage LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.750%, 6/15/2027	1,099,447
	TOTAL	16,743,974
	Food & Beverage—1.5%	
2,650,000	Bellring Brands, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.000%, 3/15/2030	2,553,341
2,500,000	Performance Food Group, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.250%, 8/1/2029	2,169,500
2,500,000	Post Holdings, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.625%, 1/15/2028	2,357,013
951,000	Post Holdings, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.750%, 3/1/2027	921,082
1,425,000	US Foods, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.625%, 6/1/2030	1,256,692
1,900,000	US Foods, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.750%, 2/15/2029	1,689,290
	TOTAL	10,946,918
	Gaming—4.3%	
2,625,000	Affinity Gaming LLC, 144A, 6.875%, 12/15/2027	2,228,859
1,025,000	Boyd Gaming Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.750%, 12/1/2027	956,161
1,000,000	Boyd Gaming Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.750%, 6/15/2031	871,180
2,950,000	Caesars Entertainment Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.625%, 10/15/2029	2,406,005
2,250,000	Colt Merger Sub, Inc., Sr. Secd. Note, 144A, 5.750%, 7/1/2025	2,205,824
875,000	Colt Merger Sub, Inc., Sr. Secd. Note, 144A, 6.250%, 7/1/2025	851,992
775,000	Colt Merger Sub, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.125%, 7/1/2027	763,073
2,300,000	Midwest Gaming Borrower LLC, 144A, 4.875%, 5/1/2029	1,959,978
4,550,000	Mohegan Tribal Gaming Authority, 144A, 8.000%, 2/1/2026	4,263,441
3,050,000	Penn National Gaming, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.125%, 7/1/2029	2,413,476
1,250,000	Raptor Acquisition Corp./Raptor Co-Issuer LLC, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 4.875%, 11/1/2026	1,112,275
3,800,000	Scientific Games Holdings Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.625%, 3/1/2030	3,214,800
1,000,000	Scientific Games International, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.250%, 11/15/2029	961,800
2,725,000	Scientific Games International, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.625%, 7/1/2025	2,784,738
3,425,000	Station Casinos, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.500%, 2/15/2028	2,982,941
650,000	VICI Properties LP/ VICI Note Co., Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.500%, 9/1/2026	612,604
1,525,000	VICI Properties LP/ VICI Note Co., Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.625%, 6/15/2025	1,464,076
	TOTAL	32,053,223
	Health Care—5.4%	
2,225,000	AdaptHealth LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.625%, 8/1/2029	1,865,774
1,375,000	AdaptHealth LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.125%, 3/1/2030	1,172,311
2,400,000	Ardent Health Services, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.750%, 7/15/2029	1,885,080
1,500,000	Avantor Funding, Inc., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 4.625%, 7/15/2028	1,366,080

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	CORPORATE BONDS—continued	
	Health Care—continued	
\$ 2,150,000	Avantor Funding, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.875%, 11/1/2029	\$ 1,808,204
3,450,000	CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., 144A, 6.125%, 4/1/2030	1,714,833
3,300,000	CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., 2nd Lien, 144A, 6.875%, 4/15/2029	1,702,249
2,400,000	CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 8.000%, 3/15/2026	2,190,000
1,350,000	Embecka Corp., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 5.000%, 2/15/2030	1,144,422
2,100,000	Embecka Corp., Sr. Note, 144A, 6.750%, 2/15/2030	1,910,024
400,000	Garden Spinco Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.625%, 7/20/2030	424,578
2,625,000	Global Medical Response, Inc., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 6.500%, 10/1/2025	1,882,886
4,425,000	LifePoint Health, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.375%, 1/15/2029	2,506,497
1,300,000	MEDNAX, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.375%, 2/15/2030	1,131,538
9,300,000	Mozart Debt Merger Sub, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.250%, 10/1/2029	7,403,311
2,100,000	MPH Acquisition Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.750%, 11/1/2028	1,401,146
800,000	Team Health Holdings, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.375%, 2/1/2025	462,256
1,125,000	Tenet Healthcare Corp., 144A, 4.250%, 6/1/2029	976,663
1,550,000	Tenet Healthcare Corp., 144A, 5.125%, 11/1/2027	1,445,018
1,500,000	Tenet Healthcare Corp., 144A, 6.250%, 2/1/2027	1,443,810
650,000	Tenet Healthcare Corp., Sr. Secd. Note, 4.625%, 7/15/2024	634,866
3,950,000	Tenet Healthcare Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.125%, 10/1/2028	3,544,849
	TOTAL	40,016,395
	Health Insurance—0.3%	
2,600,000	Centene Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, Series WI, 4.625%, 12/15/2029	2,381,836
	Independent Energy—4.6%	
1,125,000	Antero Resources Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.375%, 3/1/2030	1,044,517
1,400,000	Ascent Resources Utica Holdings LLC/ARU Finance Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.250%, 12/31/2028	1,374,106
949,000	Ascent Resources Utica Holdings LLC/ARU Finance Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 9.000%, 11/1/2027	1,172,817
1,075,000	Berry Petroleum Co., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.000%, 2/15/2026	989,017
1,400,000	Carrizo Oil & Gas, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 8.250%, 7/15/2025	1,401,764
3,175,000	^{1,3} Chesapeake Energy Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 7.000%, 10/1/2024	71,438
3,375,000	Comstock Resources, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.750%, 3/1/2029	3,052,046
2,650,000	Crownrock LP/ Crownrock F, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.625%, 10/15/2025	2,562,643
1,950,000	Occidental Petroleum Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.875%, 9/1/2025	1,946,117
2,375,000	Occidental Petroleum Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 6.125%, 1/1/2031	2,401,397
1,925,000	Occidental Petroleum Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 6.625%, 9/1/2030	1,993,597
500,000	Occidental Petroleum Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 7.150%, 5/15/2028	519,215
2,000,000	PDC Energy, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, Series WI, 5.750%, 5/15/2026	1,912,400
3,225,000	Permian Resources Operating LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.875%, 4/1/2027	3,047,296
575,000	Range Resources Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.875%, 5/15/2025	547,132
1,000,000	Range Resources Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 8.250%, 1/15/2029	1,031,790
2,025,000	Rockcliff Energy II LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 10/15/2029	1,855,356
2,750,000	SM Energy Co., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.625%, 6/1/2025	2,644,237
2,525,000	Southwestern Energy Co., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 8.375%, 9/15/2028	2,607,582
2,075,000	Tap Rock Resources LLC., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.000%, 10/1/2026	1,932,551
	TOTAL	34,107,018
	Industrial - Other—1.6%	
7,550,000	Madison Iaq LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.875%, 6/30/2029	5,188,955
3,675,000	Redwood Star Merger Sub, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.750%, 4/1/2030	2,903,103
4,729,000	Vertical Holdco GmbH, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.625%, 7/15/2028	3,868,977
	TOTAL	11,961,035
	Insurance - P&C—6.8%	
3,325,000	AmWINS Group, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.875%, 6/30/2029	2,824,410

Principal Amount or Shares		Value
	CORPORATE BONDS—continued	
	Insurance - P&C—continued	
\$ 4,821,420	Ardonagh Midco 2 PLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 11.500% / 12.750% PIK, 1/15/2027	\$ 4,604,456
4,350,000	AssuredPartners, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.625%, 1/15/2029	3,585,877
4,225,000	AssuredPartners, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.000%, 8/15/2025	4,092,601
7,225,000	Broadstreet Partners, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.875%, 4/15/2029	6,158,455
8,125,000	Hub International Ltd., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.625%, 12/1/2029	7,106,795
6,200,000	Hub International Ltd., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.000%, 5/1/2026	6,082,324
1,900,000	Jones Deslauriers Insurance Management, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 10.500%, 12/15/2030	1,873,693
225,000	NFP Corp., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 7.500%, 10/1/2030	212,979
8,500,000	NFP Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.875%, 8/15/2028	7,025,071
975,000	Ryan Specialty Group, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 4.375%, 2/1/2030	845,467
6,450,000	USIS Merger Subsidiary, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.875%, 5/1/2025	6,223,763
	TOTAL	50,635,891
	Leisure—0.3%	
2,625,000	SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.250%, 8/15/2029	2,288,997
	Lodging—0.4%	
1,000,000	Hilton Domestic Operating Company, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.625%, 2/15/2032	802,580
2,325,000	Hilton Domestic Operating Company, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.750%, 5/1/2028	2,259,354
	TOTAL	3,061,934
	Media Entertainment—6.6%	
5,275,000	Audacy Capital Corp., 144A, 6.500%, 5/1/2027	1,000,792
1,725,000	Cumulus Media News Holdings, Inc., 144A, 6.750%, 7/1/2026	1,451,726
1,875,000	Diamond Sports Group LLC/Diamond Sports Finance Co., 144A, 5.375%, 8/15/2026	222,656
2,150,000	Diamond Sports Group LLC/Diamond Sports Finance Co., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 6.625%, 8/15/2027	24,188
1,300,000	Gray Escrow II, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.375%, 11/15/2031	939,166
975,000	Gray Escrow, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.000%, 5/15/2027	866,185
3,350,000	Gray Television, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.875%, 7/15/2026	2,989,875
1,275,000	iHeartCommunications, Inc., 144A, 4.750%, 1/15/2028	1,040,298
5,711,766	iHeartCommunications, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 8.375%, 5/1/2027	4,869,209
1,575,000	Match Group Holdings II LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.625%, 10/1/2031	1,209,858
1,775,000	Match Group, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.125%, 8/1/2030	1,452,203
750,000	Match Group, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 12/15/2027	691,290
6,300,000	Midas Opco Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.625%, 8/15/2029	5,206,667
1,575,000	Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.750%, 11/1/2028	1,364,753
3,650,000	Nexstar Escrow Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.625%, 7/15/2027	3,355,764
1,450,000	Outfront Media Capital LLC/Outfront Media Capital Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.625%, 3/15/2030	1,201,946
2,000,000	ROBLOX Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.875%, 5/1/2030	1,579,000
875,000	Scripps Escrow II, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.375%, 1/15/2031	702,458
725,000	Scripps Escrow II, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.875%, 7/15/2027	648,208
725,000	Sinclair Television Group, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 4.125%, 12/1/2030	544,498
1,000,000	Sinclair Television Group, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.125%, 2/15/2027	817,192
4,025,000	Sinclair Television Group, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 3/1/2030	2,820,982
1,400,000	Tegna, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.625%, 3/15/2028	1,331,526
4,425,000	Tegna, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 9/15/2029	4,208,418
6,100,000	Terrier Media Buyer, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.875%, 12/15/2027	4,601,108
1,800,000	Univision Communications, Inc., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 7.375%, 6/30/2030	1,722,438
2,500,000	Urban One, Inc., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 7.375%, 2/1/2028	2,116,400
	TOTAL	48,978,804
	Metals & Mining—0.5%	
1,325,000	Cleveland-Cliffs, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.875%, 3/1/2031	1,171,878

Principal Amount or Shares		Value
	CORPORATE BONDS—continued	
	Metals & Mining—continued	
\$ 3,000,000	Coeur Mining, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.125%, 2/15/2029	\$ 2,345,180
	TOTAL	3,517,058
	Midstream—7.0%	
2,150,000	AmeriGas Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.500%, 5/20/2025	2,069,106
1,700,000	AmeriGas Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.875%, 8/20/2026	1,617,141
3,000,000	Antero Midstream Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.750%, 3/1/2027	2,841,232
2,075,000	Antero Midstream Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.750%, 1/15/2028	1,928,360
2,675,000	Antero Midstream Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.875%, 5/15/2026	2,711,651
1,400,000	Cheniere Energy Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.000%, 3/1/2031	1,193,794
2,600,000	Cheniere Energy Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, Series WI, 4.500%, 10/1/2029	2,343,839
3,275,000	CNX Midstream Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.750%, 4/15/2030	2,691,935
2,875,000	DT Midstream, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.375%, 6/15/2031	2,415,719
2,325,000	EQM Midstream Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.500%, 1/15/2029	1,956,248
2,625,000	EQM Midstream Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.500%, 7/1/2027	2,513,437
1,900,000	EQT Midstream Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.500%, 7/15/2028	1,702,311
2,425,000	EQT Midstream Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 6.500%, 7/15/2048	1,822,084
1,750,000	Hess Midstream Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.125%, 6/15/2028	1,621,317
1,725,000	Holly Energy Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 2/1/2028	1,573,590
3,100,000	Oasis Midstream Partners, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.000%, 4/1/2029	3,089,306
2,600,000	Solaris Midstream Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.625%, 4/1/2026	2,589,210
1,325,000	Suburban Propane Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.875%, 3/1/2027	1,267,635
2,000,000	Suburban Propane Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 6/1/2031	1,702,515
1,700,000	Summit Midstream Holdings LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.750%, 4/15/2025	1,446,235
2,300,000	Targa Resources Partners LP/Targa Resources Partners Finance Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.000%, 1/15/2028	2,197,854
1,500,000	Targa Resources Partners LP/Targa Resources Partners Finance Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 3/1/2030	1,413,607
1,850,000	TransMontaigne Partners LP/TLP Finance Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 6.125%, 2/15/2026	1,604,338
1,325,000	Western Gas Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.500%, 3/1/2028	1,222,896
1,875,000	Western Gas Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.650%, 7/1/2026	1,782,712
3,500,000	Western Gas Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 5.300%, 3/1/2048	2,884,007
	TOTAL	52,202,079
	Oil Field Services—2.1%	
3,450,000	Archrock Partners LP/Archrock Partners Finance Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.250%, 4/1/2028	3,162,398
2,100,000	Archrock Partners LP/Archrock Partners Finance Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.875%, 4/1/2027	2,008,113
1,725,000	Nabors Industries Ltd., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.250%, 1/15/2026	1,628,364
900,000	Nabors Industries Ltd., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.500%, 1/15/2028	824,828
2,575,000	Precision Drilling Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.125%, 1/15/2026	2,495,381
1,800,000	USA Compression Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 6.875%, 9/1/2027	1,685,889
3,766,000	USA Compression Partners LP, Sr. Unsecd. Note, Series WI, 6.875%, 4/1/2026	3,618,731
	TOTAL	15,423,704
	Packaging—4.9%	
4,858,496	ARD Finance SA, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 6.500%, 6/30/2027	3,386,918
1,700,000	Ardagh Metal Packaging, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.000%, 9/1/2029	1,350,484
8,250,000	Ardagh Packaging Finance PLC/Ardagh Holdings, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 5.250%, 8/15/2027	6,181,908
800,000	Ball Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 6.875%, 3/15/2028	822,776
1,200,000	Berry Global Escrow Corp., 144A, 4.875%, 7/15/2026	1,158,061
2,825,000	Bway Holding Co., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.250%, 4/15/2025	2,618,144
7,625,000	Clydesdale Acquisition Holdings, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.750%, 4/15/2030	6,541,080
2,275,000	OI European Group BV, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.750%, 2/15/2030	1,995,505
2,000,000	Owens-Brockway Glass Container, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.375%, 1/15/2025	1,921,901
1,647,000	Owens-Brockway Glass Container, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.625%, 5/13/2027	1,600,484

Principal Amount or Shares		Value
	CORPORATE BONDS—continued	
	Packaging—continued	
\$ 3,550,000	Trident Merger Subsidiary, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.625%, 11/1/2025	\$ 3,101,089
800,000	Trident Merger Subsidiary, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 9.250%, 8/1/2024	765,889
5,425,000	Trivium Packaging Finance BV, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 8.500%, 8/15/2027	4,986,144
	TOTAL	36,430,383
	Paper—0.3%	
2,875,000	Graphic Packaging International LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.500%, 3/1/2029	2,460,936
	Pharmaceuticals—2.1%	
1,800,000	Bausch Health Cos., Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 2/15/2029	865,058
1,450,000	Bausch Health Cos., Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.250%, 1/30/2030	697,878
7,600,000	Bausch Health Cos., Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.250%, 2/15/2029	3,671,275
1,000,000	Bausch Health Cos., Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.250%, 5/30/2029	484,425
2,150,000	Catalent Pharma Solutions, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.500%, 4/1/2030	1,700,360
2,800,000	Grifols Escrow Issuer SA, 144A, 4.750%, 10/15/2028	2,421,020
2,700,000	Mallinckrodt International Finance SA/Mallinckrodt CB LLC, 144A, 10.000%, 6/15/2029	1,464,723
2,425,000	Organon Finance 1 LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.125%, 4/30/2031	2,104,015
2,525,000	Syneos Health, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.625%, 1/15/2029	2,014,167
	TOTAL	15,422,921
	Restaurant—1.4%	
9,275,000	1011778 BC Unltd. Liability Co./New Red Finance, Inc., 2nd Lien, 144A, 4.000%, 10/15/2030	7,530,326
1,425,000	Yum! Brands, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 4.625%, 1/31/2032	1,262,339
1,425,000	Yum! Brands, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.750%, 1/15/2030	1,309,831
	TOTAL	10,102,496
	Retailers—0.8%	
1,825,000	Academy Ltd., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 6.000%, 11/15/2027	1,749,820
1,450,000	Asbury Automotive Group, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.625%, 11/15/2029	1,223,539
1,625,000	Asbury Automotive Group, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 2/15/2032	1,339,000
1,475,000	Gap (The), Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.625%, 10/1/2029	1,042,427
1,400,000	Gap (The), Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.875%, 10/1/2031	978,719
	TOTAL	6,333,505
	Supermarkets—0.6%	
4,625,000	Albertsons Cos. LLC/SAFEW, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.500%, 3/15/2029	3,890,504
275,000	Albertsons Cos. LLC/SAFEW, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.875%, 2/15/2028	261,910
	TOTAL	4,152,414
	Technology—9.5%	
1,625,000	Boxer Parent Co., Inc., 144A, 9.125%, 3/1/2026	1,535,617
3,000,000	Cars.com, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.375%, 11/1/2028	2,668,463
2,425,000	Centerfield Media Parent, Sr. Note, 144A, 6.625%, 8/1/2026	1,555,155
2,050,000	Central Parent, Inc./Central Merger Sub, Inc., 144A, 7.250%, 6/15/2029	2,007,764
5,550,000	Clarivate Science Holdings Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.875%, 7/1/2029	4,726,657
4,050,000	Coherent Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 12/15/2029	3,498,106
1,725,000	Consensus Cloud Solutions, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.000%, 10/15/2026	1,620,647
3,000,000	Consensus Cloud Solutions, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.500%, 10/15/2028	2,763,206
700,000	Dun & Bradstreet Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 12/15/2029	599,944
4,000,000	Elastic N.V., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.125%, 7/15/2029	3,235,900
1,775,000	Entegris Escrow Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.950%, 6/15/2030	1,639,212
4,000,000	HealthEquity, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.500%, 10/1/2029	3,500,600
2,275,000	Helios Software Holdings, Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 4.625%, 5/1/2028	1,737,986
5,125,000	Logan Merger Sub, Inc., Sr. Secd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 9/1/2027	2,764,435
7,375,000	McAfee Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 7.375%, 2/15/2030	5,942,892
7,875,000	Minerva Merger Sub, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.500%, 2/15/2030	5,818,106

Principal Amount or Shares		Value
	CORPORATE BONDS—continued	
	Technology—continued	
\$ 925,000	NCR Corp., 144A, 5.125%, 4/15/2029	\$ 775,250
400,000	NCR Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 10/1/2028	341,666
1,300,000	NCR Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.250%, 10/1/2030	1,074,626
975,000	NCR Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.750%, 9/1/2027	934,513
1,775,000	NCR Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.125%, 9/1/2029	1,662,571
300,000	Open Text Corp., 144A, 6.900%, 12/1/2027	300,390
1,375,000	Open Text Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.875%, 2/15/2028	1,182,294
1,800,000	Picard Midco, Inc., Sec. Fac. Bond, 144A, 6.500%, 3/31/2029	1,519,319
6,725,000	Rackspace Technology, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.375%, 12/1/2028	2,942,030
6,700,000	Rocket Software, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.500%, 2/15/2029	5,290,496
2,691,000	Seagate HDD Cayman, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 9.625%, 12/1/2032	2,955,108
1,525,000	Sensata Technologies B.V., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.875%, 9/1/2030	1,447,485
2,250,000	SS&C Technologies, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 9/30/2027	2,111,459
2,825,000	TTM Technologies, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 4.000%, 3/1/2029	2,426,647
825,000	Veritas US, Inc./Veritas Bermuda Ltd., Sr. Secd. Note, 144A, 7.500%, 9/1/2025	569,967
	TOTAL	71,148,511
	Transportation Services—0.4%	
3,275,000	Watco Cos. LLC/Finance Co., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.500%, 6/15/2027	3,116,425
	Utility - Electric—2.5%	
650,000	Calpine Corp., Sr. Secd. Note, 144A, 3.750%, 3/1/2031	524,196
1,850,000	Calpine Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 2/1/2031	1,554,942
3,000,000	Calpine Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.125%, 3/15/2028	2,682,983
3,600,000	Enviva Partners LP/Enviva Partners Finance Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 6.500%, 1/15/2026	3,396,312
1,081,000	NRG Energy, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 6.625%, 1/15/2027	1,073,628
925,000	NRG Energy, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.375%, 2/15/2029	747,363
1,000,000	NRG Energy, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.625%, 2/15/2031	762,023
2,075,000	NRG Energy, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 3.875%, 2/15/2032	1,562,423
450,000	NRG Energy, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, Series WI, 5.750%, 1/15/2028	423,135
2,400,000	TerraForm Power Operating LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.000%, 1/31/2028	2,164,104
125,000	TransAlta Corp., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 7.750%, 11/15/2029	127,828
3,475,000	Vistra Operations Co. LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.500%, 9/1/2026	3,353,539
400,000	Vistra Operations Co. LLC, Sr. Unsecd. Note, 144A, 5.625%, 2/15/2027	380,345
	TOTAL	18,752,821
	Wireless Communications—0.1%	
500,000	T-Mobile USA, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 2.875%, 2/15/2031	413,839
550,000	T-Mobile USA, Inc., Sr. Unsecd. Note, 3.375%, 4/15/2029	485,482
	TOTAL	899,321
	TOTAL CORPORATE BONDS	
	(IDENTIFIED COST \$865,289,041)	710,569,224
	COMMON STOCKS—0.7%	
	Cable Satellite—0.0%	
7,064	^{2,3} Intelsat Jackson Holdings S.A.	45,916
	Independent Energy—0.0%	
3,150	^{2,3} Ultra Resources, Inc.	0
	Media Entertainment—0.1%	
67,010	³ iHeartMedia, Inc.	410,771
	Oil Field Services—0.5%	
66,218	^{2,3} Superior Energy Services, Inc.	3,973,080

Principal Amount or Shares		Value
	COMMON STOCKS—continued	
	Pharmaceuticals—0.1%	
142,608	³ Mallinckrodt PLC	\$ 1,105,212
	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (IDENTIFIED COST \$10,032,078)	5,534,979
	FLOATING RATE LOAN—0.3%	
	Independent Energy—0.3%	
\$ 1,976,000	⁴ Ascent Resources Utica Holdings, LLC, 2020 Fixed 2nd Lien Term Loan, 12.941% (3-month USLIBOR + 9.000%), 11/1/2025 (IDENTIFIED COST \$1,976,000)	2,094,560
	INVESTMENT COMPANY—2.4%	
17,614,978	Federated Hermes Institutional Prime Value Obligations Fund, Institutional Shares, 4.36% ⁵ (IDENTIFIED COST \$17,610,656)	17,611,455
	TOTAL INVESTMENT IN SECURITIES—98.8% (IDENTIFIED COST \$894,907,775) ⁶	735,810,218
	OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - NET—1.2% ⁷	9,300,364
	TOTAL NET ASSETS—100%	\$745,110,582

Affiliated fund holdings are investment companies which are managed by the Adviser or an affiliate of the Adviser. Transactions with affiliated fund holdings during the period ended December 31, 2022, were as follows:

	Federated Hermes Institutional Prime Value Obligations Fund, Institutional Shares
Value as of 12/31/2021	\$ 15,264,347
Purchases at Cost	\$ 550,135,401
Proceeds from Sales	\$(547,774,983)
Change in Unrealized Appreciation/Depreciation	\$ 5,905
Net Realized Gain/(Loss)	\$ (19,215)
Value as of 12/31/2022	\$ 17,611,455
Shares Held as of 12/31/2022	17,614,978
Dividend Income	\$ 269,808

1 *Issuer in default.*

2 *Market quotations and price evaluations are not available. Fair value determined using significant unobservable inputs in accordance with procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Fund's Adviser acting through its Valuation Committee.*

3 *Non-income-producing security.*

4 *Floating/variable note with current rate and current maturity or next reset date shown.*

5 *7-day net yield.*

6 *The cost of investments for federal tax purposes amounts to \$901,217,759.*

7 *Assets, other than investments in securities, less liabilities. See Statement of Assets and Liabilities.*

Note: The categories of investments are shown as a percentage of total net assets at December 31, 2022.

Various inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's investments. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

Level 1—quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.

Level 2—other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.). Also includes securities valued at amortized cost.

Level 3—significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The following is a summary of the inputs used, as of December 31, 2022, in valuing the Fund's assets carried at fair value:

Valuation Inputs

	Level 1— Quoted Prices	Level 2— Other Significant Observable Inputs	Level 3— Significant Unobservable Inputs	Total
Debt Securities:				
Corporate Bonds	\$ —	\$710,569,224	\$ 0	\$710,569,224
Floating Rate Loan	—	2,094,560	—	2,094,560
Equity Securities:				
Common Stocks	1,515,983	—	4,018,996	5,534,979
Investment Company	17,611,455	—	—	17,611,455
TOTAL SECURITIES	\$19,127,438	\$712,663,784	\$4,018,996	\$735,810,218

The following acronym(s) are used throughout this portfolio:

- GMTN—Global Medium Term Note
- LIBOR—London Interbank Offered Rate
- PIK —Payment in Kind

See Notes which are an integral part of the Financial Statements

Financial Highlights

(For a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period)

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$6.34	\$6.35	\$6.36	\$5.88	\$6.40
Income From Investment Operations:					
Net investment income (loss)	0.33	0.33	0.35	0.38	0.38
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(1.08)	0.01	0.01	0.49	(0.51)
TOTAL FROM INVESTMENT OPERATIONS	(0.75)	0.34	0.36	0.87	(0.13)
Less Distributions:					
Distributions from net investment income	(0.37)	(0.35)	(0.37)	(0.39)	(0.39)
Net Asset Value, End of Period	\$5.22	\$6.34	\$6.35	\$6.36	\$5.88
Total Return¹	(11.96)%	5.42%	6.09%	15.18%	(2.16)%
Ratios to Average Net Assets:					
Net expenses ²	0.04%	0.02%	0.03%	0.03%	0.03%
Net investment income	5.77%	5.16%	5.70%	6.16%	6.14%
Expense waiver/reimbursement	—%	—%	—%	—%	—%
Supplemental Data:					
Net assets, end of period (000 omitted)	\$745,111	\$2,494,249	\$2,212,263	\$1,866,222	\$1,712,174
Portfolio turnover ³	13%	34%	38%	34%	21%

1 Based on net asset value.

2 Amount does not reflect net expenses incurred by investment companies in which the Fund may invest.

3 Securities that mature are considered sales for purposes of this calculation.

See Notes which are an integral part of the Financial Statements

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

December 31, 2022

Assets:

Investment in securities, at value including \$17,611,455 of investments in an affiliated holding* (identified cost \$894,907,775)	\$ 735,810,218
Income receivable	13,524,770
Income receivable from an affiliated holding	50,445
TOTAL ASSETS	749,385,433

Liabilities:

Income distribution payable	4,191,382
Accrued expenses (Note 5)	83,469
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,274,851

Net assets for 142,870,834 shares outstanding	\$ 745,110,582
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Net Assets Consist of:

Paid-in capital	\$1,049,193,326
Total distributable earnings (loss)	(304,082,744)
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 745,110,582

Net Asset Value, Offering Price and Redemption Proceeds Per Share:

\$745,110,582 ÷ 142,870,834 shares outstanding, no par value, unlimited shares authorized	\$5.22
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* See information listed after the Fund's Portfolio of Investments.

See Notes which are an integral part of the Financial Statements

Statement of Operations

Year Ended December 31, 2022

Investment Income:

Interest	\$ 70,889,790
Dividends (including \$269,808 received from an affiliated holding*)	270,421
TOTAL INCOME	71,160,211

Expenses:

Administrative fee (Note 5)	4,311
Custodian fees	65,062
Transfer agent fees	79,781
Directors'/Trustees' fees (Note 5)	12,815
Auditing fees	36,000
Legal fees	9,322
Portfolio accounting fees	179,860
Share registration costs	199
Printing and postage	19,789
Commitment fee (Note 7)	10,101
Miscellaneous (Note 5)	21,695
TOTAL EXPENSES	438,935

Net investment income	70,721,276
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Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments:

Net realized loss on investments (including net realized loss of \$(19,215) on sales of investments in an affiliated holding*)	(75,289,254)
Net change in unrealized appreciation of investments (including net change in unrealized depreciation of \$5,905 on investments in an affiliated holding*)	(199,057,584)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(274,346,838)
Change in net assets resulting from operations	\$(203,625,562)

* See information listed after the Fund's Portfolio of Investments.

See Notes which are an integral part of the Financial Statements

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended December 31	2022	2021
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets		
Operations:		
Net investment income	\$ 70,721,276	\$ 127,044,351
Net realized gain (loss)	(75,289,254)	19,030,311
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	(199,057,584)	(15,581,232)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS	(203,625,562)	130,493,430
Distributions to Shareholders	(79,474,824)	(133,937,444)
Share Transactions:		
Proceeds from sale of shares	107,543,200	706,985,450
Net asset value of shares issued to shareholders in payment of distributions declared	5,651,526	22,419,254
Cost of shares redeemed	(1,579,232,583)	(443,975,198)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM SHARE TRANSACTIONS	(1,466,037,857)	285,429,506
Change in net assets	(1,749,138,243)	281,985,492
Net Assets:		
Beginning of period	2,494,248,825	2,212,263,333
End of period	\$ 745,110,582	\$2,494,248,825

See Notes which are an integral part of the Financial Statements

Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

1. ORGANIZATION

Federated Hermes Core Trust (the "Trust") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Act"), as an open-end management investment company. The Trust consists of four portfolios. The financial statements included herein are only those of High Yield Bond Core Fund (the "Fund"), a diversified portfolio. The financial statements of the other portfolios are presented separately. The assets of each portfolio are segregated and a shareholder's interest is limited to the portfolio in which shares are held. Each portfolio pays its own expenses. The investment objective of the Fund is to seek high current income.

The Fund's portfolio consists primarily of lower rated corporate debt obligations. These lower rated debt obligations may be more susceptible to real or perceived adverse economic conditions than investment grade bonds. These lower rated debt obligations are regarded as predominately speculative with respect to each issuer's continuing ability to make interest and principal payments (i.e., the obligations are subject to the risk of default). Currently, shares of the Fund are being offered for investment only to investment companies, insurance company separate accounts, common or commingled trust funds or similar organizations or parties that are "accredited investors" within the meaning of Regulation D of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act").

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements. These policies are in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

Investment Valuation

In calculating its net asset value (NAV), the Fund generally values investments as follows:

- Fixed-income securities are fair valued using price evaluations provided by a pricing service approved by Federated Investment Management Company (the "Adviser").
- Shares of other mutual funds or non-exchange traded investment companies are valued based upon their reported NAVs, or NAV per share practical expedient, as applicable.
- Equity securities listed on an exchange or traded through a regulated market system are valued at their last reported sale price or official closing price in their principal exchange or market.
- Derivative contracts listed on exchanges are valued at their reported settlement or closing price, except that options are valued at the mean of closing bid and ask quotations.
- Over-the-counter (OTC) derivative contracts are fair valued using price evaluations provided by a pricing service approved by the Adviser.
- For securities that are fair valued in accordance with procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Adviser, certain factors may be considered, such as: the last traded or purchase price of the security, information obtained by contacting the issuer or dealers, analysis of the issuer's financial statements or other available documents, fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, the movement of the market in which the security is normally traded, public trading in similar securities or derivative contracts of the issuer or comparable issuers, movement of a relevant index, or other factors including but not limited to industry changes and relevant government actions.

If any price, quotation, price evaluation or other pricing source is not readily available when the NAV is calculated, if the Fund cannot obtain price evaluations from a pricing service or from more than one dealer for an investment within a reasonable period of time as set forth in the Adviser's valuation policies and procedures for the Fund, or if information furnished by a pricing service, in the opinion of the Adviser's valuation committee ("Valuation Committee"), is deemed not representative of the fair value of such security, the Fund uses the fair value of the investment determined in accordance with the procedures described below. There can be no assurance that the Fund could obtain the fair value assigned to an investment if it sold the investment at approximately the time at which the Fund determines its NAV per share, and the actual value obtained could be materially different.

Fair Valuation and Significant Events Procedures

Pursuant to Rule 2a-5 under the Act, the Fund's Board of Trustees (the "Trustees") has designated the Adviser as the Fund's valuation designee to perform any fair value determinations for securities and other assets held by the Fund. The Adviser is subject to the Trustees' oversight and certain reporting and other requirements intended to provide the Trustees the information needed to oversee the Adviser's fair value determinations.

The Adviser, acting through its Valuation Committee, is responsible for determining the fair value of investments for which market quotations are not readily available. The Valuation Committee is comprised of officers of the Adviser and certain of the Adviser's affiliated companies and determines fair value and oversees the calculation of the NAV. The Valuation Committee is also authorized to use pricing services to provide fair value evaluations of the current value of certain investments for purposes of calculating the NAV. The Valuation Committee employs various methods for reviewing third-party pricing-service evaluations including periodic reviews of third-party pricing services' policies, procedures and valuation methods (including key inputs, methods, models and assumptions), transactional back-testing, comparisons of evaluations of different pricing services, and review of price challenges by the Adviser based on recent market activity. In the event that market quotations and price evaluations are not available for an investment, the Valuation Committee determines the fair value of the investment in accordance with procedures adopted by the Adviser. The Trustees periodically review the fair valuations made by the Valuation Committee. The Trustees have also approved the Adviser's fair valuation and significant events procedures as part of the Fund's compliance program and will review any changes made to the procedures.

Factors considered by pricing services in evaluating an investment include the yields or prices of investments of comparable quality, coupon, maturity, call rights and other potential prepayments, terms and type, reported transactions, indications as to values from dealers and general market conditions. Some pricing services provide a single price evaluation reflecting the bid-side of the market for an investment (a “bid” evaluation). Other pricing services offer both bid evaluations and price evaluations indicative of a price between the prices bid and ask for the investment (a “mid” evaluation). The Fund normally uses bid evaluations for any U.S. Treasury and Agency securities, mortgage-backed securities and municipal securities. The Fund normally uses mid evaluations for any other types of fixed-income securities and any OTC derivative contracts. In the event that market quotations and price evaluations are not available for an investment, the fair value of the investment is determined in accordance with procedures adopted by the Adviser.

The Adviser has also adopted procedures requiring an investment to be priced at its fair value whenever the Valuation Committee determines that a significant event affecting the value of the investment has occurred between the time as of which the price of the investment would otherwise be determined and the time as of which the NAV is computed. An event is considered significant if there is both an affirmative expectation that the investment’s value will change in response to the event and a reasonable basis for quantifying the resulting change in value. Examples of significant events that may occur after the close of the principal market on which a security is traded, or after the time of a price evaluation provided by a pricing service or a dealer, include:

- With respect to securities traded principally in foreign markets, significant trends in U.S. equity markets or in the trading of foreign securities index futures contracts;
- Political or other developments affecting the economy or markets in which an issuer conducts its operations or its securities are traded;
- Announcements concerning matters such as acquisitions, recapitalizations, litigation developments, or a natural disaster affecting the issuer’s operations or regulatory changes or market developments affecting the issuer’s industry.

The Adviser has adopted procedures whereby the Valuation Committee uses a pricing service to provide factors to update the fair value of equity securities traded principally in foreign markets from the time of the close of their respective foreign stock exchanges to the pricing time of the Fund. For other significant events, the Fund may seek to obtain more current quotations or price evaluations from alternative pricing sources. If a reliable alternative pricing source is not available, the Valuation Committee will determine the fair value of the investment in accordance with the fair valuation procedures approved by the Adviser. The Trustees periodically review fair valuations made in response to significant events.

Repurchase Agreements

The Fund may invest in repurchase agreements for short-term liquidity purposes. It is the policy of the Fund to require the other party to a repurchase agreement to transfer to the Fund’s custodian or sub-custodian eligible securities or cash with a market value (after transaction costs) at least equal to the repurchase price to be paid under the repurchase agreement. The eligible securities are transferred to accounts with the custodian or sub-custodian in which the Fund holds a “securities entitlement” and exercises “control” as those terms are defined in the Uniform Commercial Code. The Fund has established procedures for monitoring the market value of the transferred securities and requiring the transfer of additional eligible securities if necessary to equal at least the repurchase price. These procedures also allow the other party to require securities to be transferred from the account to the extent that their market value exceeds the repurchase price or in exchange for other eligible securities of equivalent market value.

The insolvency of the other party or other failure to repurchase the securities may delay the disposition of the underlying securities or cause the Fund to receive less than the full repurchase price. Under the terms of the repurchase agreement, any amounts received by the Fund in excess of the repurchase price and related transaction costs must be remitted to the other party.

The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements in which eligible securities are transferred into joint trading accounts maintained by the custodian or sub-custodian for investment companies and other clients advised by the Fund’s Adviser and its affiliates. The Fund will participate on a pro rata basis with the other investment companies and clients in its share of the securities transferred under such repurchase agreements and in its share of proceeds from any repurchase or other disposition of such securities.

Investment Income, Gains and Losses, Expenses and Distributions

Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade-date basis. Realized gains and losses from investment transactions are recorded on an identified-cost basis. Interest income and expenses are accrued daily. Dividend income and distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Foreign dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date or when the Fund is informed of the ex-dividend date. Distributions of net investment income, if any, are declared daily and paid monthly. Non-cash dividends included in dividend income, if any, are recorded at fair value. Amortization/accretion of premium and discount is included in investment income.

Federal Taxes

It is the Fund’s policy to comply with the Subchapter M provision of the Internal Revenue Code (the “Code”) and to distribute to shareholders each year substantially all of its income. Accordingly, no provision for federal income tax is necessary. As of and during the year ended December 31, 2022, the Fund did not have a liability for any uncertain tax positions. The Fund recognizes interest and penalties, if any, related to tax liabilities as income tax expense in the Statement of Operations. As of December 31, 2022, tax years 2019 through 2022 remain subject to examination by the Fund’s major tax jurisdictions, which include the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

When-Issued and Delayed-Delivery Transactions

The Fund may engage in when-issued or delayed-delivery transactions. The Fund records when-issued securities on the trade date and maintains security positions such that sufficient liquid assets will be available to make payment for the securities purchased. Securities purchased on a when-issued or delayed-delivery basis are marked to market daily and begin earning interest on the settlement date. Losses may occur on these transactions due to changes in market conditions or the failure of counterparties to perform under the contract.

Restricted Securities

The Fund may purchase securities which are considered restricted. Restricted securities are securities that either: (a) cannot be offered for public sale without first being registered, or being able to take advantage of an exemption from registration, under the Securities Act of 1933; or (b) are subject to contractual restrictions on public sales. In some cases, when a security cannot be offered for public sale without first being registered, the issuer of the restricted security has agreed to register such securities for resale, at the issuer's expense, either upon demand by the Fund or in connection with another registered offering of the securities. Many such restricted securities may be resold in the secondary market in transactions exempt from registration. Restricted securities may be determined to be liquid under criteria established by the Trustees. The Fund will not incur any registration costs upon such resales. The Fund's restricted securities, like other securities, are priced in accordance with procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Adviser.

Other

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts of assets, liabilities, expenses and revenues reported in the financial statements. Actual results could differ materially from those estimated. The Fund applies investment company accounting and reporting guidance.

3. SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST

The following table summarizes share activity:

	Year Ended 12/31/2022	Year Ended 12/31/2021
Shares sold	18,064,404	111,369,520
Shares issued to shareholders in payment of distributions declared	969,803	3,530,925
Shares redeemed	(269,530,125)	(70,088,967)
NET CHANGE RESULTING FROM FUND SHARE TRANSACTIONS	(250,495,918)	44,811,478

4. FEDERAL TAX INFORMATION

The tax character of distributions as reported on the Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, was as follows:

	2022	2021
Ordinary income	\$79,474,824	\$133,937,444

As of December 31, 2022, the components of distributable earnings on a tax-basis were as follows:

Undistributed ordinary income	\$ 1,148,870
Net unrealized depreciation	\$(165,407,541)
Capital loss carryforwards	\$(139,824,073)
TOTAL	\$(304,082,744)

At December 31, 2022, the cost of investments for federal tax purposes was \$901,217,759. The net unrealized depreciation of investments for federal tax purposes was \$165,407,541. This consists of unrealized appreciation from investments for those securities having an excess of value over cost of \$7,705,315 and unrealized depreciation from investments for those securities having an excess of cost over value of \$173,112,856. The difference between book-basis and tax-basis net unrealized depreciation is attributable to differing treatments for wash sales, defaulted securities and discount accretion/premium amortization on debt securities.

As of December 31, 2022, the Fund had a capital loss carryforward of \$139,824,073 which will reduce the Fund's taxable income arising from future net realized gains on investments, if any, to the extent permitted by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, thereby reducing the amount of distributions to shareholders which would otherwise be necessary to relieve the Fund of any liability for federal income tax. Pursuant to the Code, these net capital losses retain their character as either short-term or long-term and do not expire.

The following schedule summarizes the Fund's capital loss carryforwards:

Short-Term	Long-Term	Total
\$28,650,339	\$111,173,734	\$139,824,073

5. INVESTMENT ADVISER FEE AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES

Investment Adviser Fee

The Adviser, subject to the direction of the Trustees, provides investment adviser services at no fee, because all investors in the Fund are other Federated Hermes Funds, insurance company separate accounts, common or commingled trust funds or similar organizations or entities that are "accredited investors" within the meaning of Regulation D of the 1933 Act. The Fund pays operating expenses associated with the operation and maintenance of the Fund (excluding fees and expenses that may be charged by the Adviser and its

affiliates). Although not contractually obligated to do so, the Adviser intends to initially voluntarily reimburse operating expenses (excluding extraordinary expenses and proxy-related expenses paid by the Fund, if any) such that the Fund will only bear such expenses in an amount of up to 0.15% of the Fund's average daily net assets. The Adviser can modify or terminate this voluntary reimbursement at any time at its sole discretion.

Administrative Fee

Federated Administrative Services (FAS), under the Administrative Services Agreement, provides the Fund with administrative personnel and services. FAS does not charge the Fund a fee but is entitled to certain out-of-pocket expenses.

Interfund Transactions

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Fund engaged in purchase and sale transactions with funds that have a common investment adviser (or affiliated investment advisers), common Directors/Trustees and/or common Officers. These purchase and sale transactions complied with Rule 17a-7 under the Act and amounted to \$4,963,432 and \$19,268,938, respectively. Net realized loss recognized on these transactions was \$810,228.

Directors'/Trustees' and Miscellaneous Fees

Certain Officers and Trustees of the Fund are Officers and Directors or Trustees of certain of the above companies. To efficiently facilitate payment, Independent Directors'/Trustees' fees and certain expenses related to conducting meetings of the Directors/Trustees and other miscellaneous expenses are paid by an affiliate of the Adviser which in due course are reimbursed by the Fund. These expenses related to conducting meetings of the Directors/Trustees and other miscellaneous expenses may be included in Accrued and Miscellaneous Expenses on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and Statement of Operations, respectively.

Affiliated Shares of Beneficial Interest

As of December 31, 2022, a majority of the shares of beneficial interest outstanding are owned by other affiliated investment companies.

6. INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS

Purchases and sales of investments, excluding long-term U.S. government securities and short-term obligations, for the year ended December 31, 2022, were as follows:

Purchases	\$ 148,373,325
Sales	\$1,598,587,508

7. LINE OF CREDIT

The Fund participates with certain other Federated Hermes Funds, on a several basis, in an up to \$500,000,000 unsecured, 364-day, committed, revolving line of credit (LOC) agreement dated June 22, 2022. The LOC was made available to temporarily finance the repurchase or redemption of shares of the Fund, failed trades, payment of dividends, settlement of trades and for other short-term, temporary or emergency general business purposes. The Fund cannot borrow under the LOC if an inter-fund loan is outstanding. The Fund's ability to borrow under the LOC also is subject to the limitations of the Act and various conditions precedent that must be satisfied before the Fund can borrow. Loans under the LOC are charged interest at a fluctuating rate per annum equal to (a) the highest, on any day, of (i) the federal funds effective rate, (ii) the published secured overnight financing rate plus an assigned percentage, and (iii) 0.0%, plus (b) a margin. Any fund eligible to borrow under the LOC pays its pro rata share of a commitment fee based on the amount of the lenders' commitment that has not been utilized, quarterly in arrears and at maturity. As of December 31, 2022, the Fund had no outstanding loans. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Fund did not utilize the LOC.

8. INTERFUND LENDING

Pursuant to an Exemptive Order issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Fund, along with other funds advised by subsidiaries of Federated Hermes, Inc., may participate in an interfund lending program. This program provides an alternative credit facility allowing the Fund to borrow from other participating affiliated funds. As of December 31, 2022, there were no outstanding loans. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the program was not utilized.

9. INDEMNIFICATIONS

Under the Fund's organizational documents, its Officers and Directors/Trustees are indemnified against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Fund (other than liabilities arising out of their willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of their duties to the Fund). In addition, in the normal course of business, the Fund provides certain indemnifications under arrangements with third parties. Typically, obligations to indemnify a third party arise in the context of an arrangement entered into by the Fund under which the Fund agrees to indemnify such third party for certain liabilities arising out of actions taken pursuant to the arrangement, provided the third party's actions are not deemed to have breached an agreed-upon standard of care (such as willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of their duties under the contract). The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet arisen. The Fund does not anticipate any material claims or losses pursuant to these arrangements at this time, and accordingly expects the risk of loss to be remote.

10. OTHER MATTERS

An outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus was first detected in China in late 2019 and subsequently spread globally. As of the date of the issuance of these financial statements, this coronavirus has resulted in, and may continue to result in, closed borders, enhanced health screenings, disruptions to healthcare service preparation and delivery, quarantines, cancellations, and disruptions to supply chains, workflow operations and consumer activity, as well as general concern and uncertainty. The impact of this coronavirus has resulted in substantial economic volatility. Health crises caused by outbreaks, such as the coronavirus outbreak, may exacerbate other pre-existing political, social and economic risks. The impact of this outbreak, and other epidemics and pandemics that may arise in the future, could continue to negatively affect the worldwide economy, as well as the economies of individual countries, individual companies (including certain Fund service providers and issuers of the Fund's investments) and the markets in general in significant and unforeseen ways. In addition, governments, their regulatory agencies, or self-regulatory organizations may take actions in response to the pandemic, including significant fiscal and monetary policy changes, that may affect the instruments in which the Fund invests or the issuers of such investments. Any such impact could adversely affect the Fund's performance.

11. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In December 2022, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2022-06 "Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848)". ASU No. 2022-06 updates and clarifies ASU No. 2020-04, which provides optional, temporary relief with respect to the financial reporting of contracts subject to certain types of modifications due to the planned discontinuation of LIBOR and other interbank-offered reference rates. The temporary relief provided by ASU No. 2022-06 is effective immediately for certain reference rate-related contract modifications that occur through December 31, 2024. Management does not expect ASU No. 2022-06 to have a material impact on the financial statements.

12. FEDERAL TAX INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, 83.87% of dividends paid by the Fund are interest-related dividends, as provided by the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HIGH YIELD BOND CORE FUND:

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of High Yield Bond Core Fund (the “Fund”) (one of the portfolios constituting Federated Hermes Core Trust (the “Trust”)), including the portfolio of investments, as of December 31, 2022, and the related statement of operations for the year then ended, the statement of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended and the related notes (collectively referred to as the “financial statements”). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund (one of the portfolios constituting Federated Hermes Core Trust) at December 31, 2022, the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended and its financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Trust’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund’s financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (“PCAOB”) and are required to be independent with respect to the Trust in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Trust is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of the Trust’s internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Trust’s internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of December 31, 2022, by correspondence with the custodian, brokers, and others; when replies were not received from brokers or others, we performed other auditing procedures. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Ernst & Young LLP

We have served as the auditor of one or more Federated Hermes investment companies since 1979.

Boston, Massachusetts
February 22, 2023

Shareholder Expense Example (unaudited)

As a shareholder of the Fund, you incur ongoing costs, including to the extent applicable, management fees, distribution (12b-1) fees and/or other service fees and other Fund expenses. This Example is intended to help you to understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. It is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held for the entire period from July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

ACTUAL EXPENSES

The first section of the table below provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in this section, together with the amount you invested, to *estimate* the expenses that you incurred over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the first section under the heading entitled “Expenses Paid During Period” to estimate the expenses attributable to your investment during this period.

HYPOTHETICAL EXAMPLE FOR COMPARISON PURPOSES

The second section of the table below provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Fund’s actual expense ratio and an *assumed* rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Fund’s actual return. Thus, you should *not* use the hypothetical account values and expenses to estimate the actual ending account balance or your expenses for the period. Rather, these figures are required to be provided to enable you to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Fund with other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only. Therefore, the second section of the table is useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you determine the relative *total* costs of owning different funds.

	Beginning Account Value 7/1/2022	Ending Account Value 12/31/2022	Expenses Paid During Period ¹
Actual	\$1,000	\$1,027.40	\$0.20
Hypothetical (assuming a 5% return before expenses)	\$1,000	\$1,025.00	\$0.20

¹ Expenses are equal to the Fund’s annualized net expense ratio of 0.04%, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/365 (to reflect the one-half-year period).

Board of Trustee and Trust Officers

The Board of Trustee is responsible for managing the Trust’s business affairs and for exercising all the Trust’s powers except those reserved for the shareholders. The following tables give information about each Trustee and the senior officers of the Fund. Where required, the tables separately list Trustee who are “interested persons” of the Fund (i.e., “Interested” Trustee) and those who are not (i.e., “Independent” Trustee). Unless otherwise noted, the address of each person listed is 1001 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222-3779. The address of all Independent Trustee listed is 4000 Ericsson Drive, Warrendale, PA 15086-7561; Attention: Mutual Fund Board. As of December 31, 2022, the Trust comprised five portfolio(s), and the Federated Hermes Fund Family consisted of 33 investment companies (comprising 102 portfolios). Unless otherwise noted, each Officer is elected annually. Unless otherwise noted, each Trustee oversees all portfolios in the Federated Hermes Fund Family and serves for an indefinite term. The Fund’s Statement of Additional Information includes additional information about Trust Trustee and is available, without charge and upon request, by calling 1-800-341-7400, Option #4.

INTERESTED TRUSTEES BACKGROUND

Name Birth Date Positions Held with Trust Date Service Began	Principal Occupation(s) for Past Five Years, Other Directorships Held and Previous Position(s)
J. Christopher Donahue* Birth Date: April 11, 1949 PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEE Indefinite Term Began serving: October 2005	Principal Occupations: Principal Executive Officer and President of certain of the Funds in the Federated Hermes Fund Family; Director or Trustee of the Funds in the Federated Hermes Fund Family; President, Chief Executive Officer and Director, Federated Hermes, Inc.; Chairman and Trustee, Federated Investment Management Company; Trustee, Federated Investment Counseling; Chairman and Director, Federated Global Investment Management Corp.; Chairman and Trustee, Federated Equity Management Company of Pennsylvania; Trustee, Federated Shareholder Services Company; Director, Federated Services Company. Previous Positions: President, Federated Investment Counseling; President and Chief Executive Officer, Federated Investment Management Company, Federated Global Investment Management Corp. and Passport Research, Ltd; Chairman, Passport Research, Ltd.
John B. Fisher* Birth Date: May 16, 1956 TRUSTEE Indefinite Term Began serving: May 2016	Principal Occupations: Principal Executive Officer and President of certain of the Funds in the Federated Hermes Fund Family; Director or Trustee of certain of the Funds in the Federated Hermes Fund Family; Director and Vice President, Federated Hermes, Inc.; President, Director/Trustee and CEO, Federated Advisory Services Company, Federated Equity Management Company of Pennsylvania, Federated Global Investment Management Corp., Federated Investment Counseling, Federated Investment Management Company, and Federated MDTA LLC; Director, Federated Investors Trust Company. Previous Positions: President and Director of the Institutional Sales Division of Federated Securities Corp.; President and CEO of Passport Research, Ltd.; Director and President, Technology, Federated Services Company.

* Reasons for “interested” status: J. Christopher Donahue and John B. Fisher are interested due to their beneficial ownership of shares of Federated Hermes, Inc. and due to positions they hold with Federated Hermes, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

INDEPENDENT TRUSTEES BACKGROUND

Name Birth Date Positions Held with Trust Date Service Began	Principal Occupation(s) for Past Five Years, Other Directorships Held, Previous Position(s) and Qualifications
John T. Collins Birth Date: January 24, 1947 TRUSTEE Indefinite Term Began serving: October 2013	Principal Occupations: Director or Trustee, and Chair of the Board of Directors or Trustees, of the Federated Hermes Fund Family; formerly, Chairman and CEO, The Collins Group, Inc. (a private equity firm) (Retired). Other Directorships Held: Director, KLX Energy Services Holdings, Inc. (oilfield services); former Director of KLX Corp. (aerospace). Qualifications: Mr. Collins has served in several business and financial management roles and directorship positions throughout his career. Mr. Collins previously served as Chairman and CEO of The Collins Group, Inc. (a private equity firm) and as a Director of KLX Corp. Mr. Collins serves as Chairman Emeriti, Bentley University. Mr. Collins previously served as Director and Audit Committee Member, Bank of America Corp.; Director, FleetBoston Financial Corp.; and Director, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (Harvard University Affiliate Hospital).

Name Birth Date Positions Held with Trust Date Service Began	Principal Occupation(s) for Past Five Years, Other Directorships Held, Previous Position(s) and Qualifications
G. Thomas Hough Birth Date: February 28, 1955 TRUSTEE Indefinite Term Began serving: August 2015	<p>Principal Occupations: Director or Trustee, Chair of the Audit Committee of the Federated Hermes Fund Family; formerly, Vice Chair, Ernst & Young LLP (public accounting firm) (Retired).</p> <p>Other Directorships Held: Director, Chair of the Audit Committee, Equifax, Inc.; Lead Director, Member of the Audit and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees, Haverly Furniture Companies, Inc.; formerly, Director, Member of Governance and Compensation Committees, Publix Super Markets, Inc.</p> <p>Qualifications: Mr. Hough has served in accounting, business management and directorship positions throughout his career. Mr. Hough most recently held the position of Americas Vice Chair of Assurance with Ernst & Young LLP (public accounting firm). Mr. Hough serves on the President's Cabinet and Business School Board of Visitors for the University of Alabama. Mr. Hough previously served on the Business School Board of Visitors for Wake Forest University, and he previously served as an Executive Committee member of the United States Golf Association.</p>
Maureen Lally-Green Birth Date: July 5, 1949 TRUSTEE Indefinite Term Began serving: August 2009	<p>Principal Occupations: Director or Trustee of the Federated Hermes Fund Family; Adjunct Professor Emerita of Law, Duquesne University School of Law; formerly, Dean of the Duquesne University School of Law and Professor of Law and Interim Dean of the Duquesne University School of Law; formerly, Associate General Secretary and Director, Office of Church Relations, Diocese of Pittsburgh.</p> <p>Other Directorships Held: Director, CNX Resources Corporation (natural gas).</p> <p>Qualifications: Judge Lally-Green has served in various legal and business roles and directorship positions throughout her career. Judge Lally-Green previously held the position of Dean of the School of Law of Duquesne University (as well as Interim Dean). Judge Lally-Green previously served as Associate General Secretary of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, a member of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania and as a Professor of Law, Duquesne University School of Law. Judge Lally-Green was appointed by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania to serve on the Supreme Court's Board of Continuing Judicial Education and the Supreme Court's Appellate Court Procedural Rules Committee. Judge Lally-Green also currently holds the positions on not for profit or for profit boards of directors as follows: Director and Chair, UPMC Mercy Hospital; Regent, Saint Vincent Seminary; Member, Pennsylvania State Board of Education (public); Director, Catholic Charities, Pittsburgh; and Director CNX Resources Corporation (natural gas). Judge Lally-Green has held the positions of: Director, Auberle; Director, Epilepsy Foundation of Western and Central Pennsylvania; Director, Ireland Institute of Pittsburgh; Director, Saint Thomas More Society; Director and Chair, Catholic High Schools of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, Inc.; Director, Pennsylvania Bar Institute; Director, St. Vincent College; Director and Chair, North Catholic High School, Inc.; Director and Vice Chair, Our Campaign for the Church Alive!, Inc.; and Director and Vice Chair, Saint Francis University.</p>
Thomas M. O'Neill Birth Date: June 14, 1951 TRUSTEE Indefinite Term Began serving: August 2006	<p>Principal Occupations: Director or Trustee of the Federated Hermes Fund Family; Sole Proprietor, Navigator Management Company (investment and strategic consulting).</p> <p>Other Directorships Held: None.</p> <p>Qualifications: Mr. O'Neill has served in several business, mutual fund and financial management roles and directorship positions throughout his career. Mr. O'Neill serves as Director, Medicines for Humanity. Mr. O'Neill previously served as Chief Executive Officer and President, Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer, Fleet Investment Advisors; President and Chief Executive Officer, Aeltus Investment Management, Inc.; General Partner, Hellman, Jordan Management Co., Boston, MA; Chief Investment Officer, The Putnam Companies, Boston, MA; Credit Analyst and Lending Officer, Fleet Bank; Director and Consultant, EZE Castle Software (investment order management software); Director, Midway Pacific (lumber); and Director, The Golisano Children's Museum of Naples, Florida.</p>
Madelyn A. Reilly Birth Date: February 2, 1956 TRUSTEE Indefinite Term Began serving: November 2020	<p>Principal Occupations: Director or Trustee of the Federated Hermes Fund Family; formerly, Senior Vice President for Legal Affairs, General Counsel and Secretary of Board of Directors, Duquesne University (Retired).</p> <p>Other Directorships Held: None.</p> <p>Qualifications: Ms. Reilly has served in various business and legal management roles throughout her career. Ms. Reilly previously served as Senior Vice President for Legal Affairs, General Counsel and Secretary of Board of Directors and Director of Risk Management and Associate General Counsel, Duquesne University. Prior to her work at Duquesne University, Ms. Reilly served as Assistant General Counsel of Compliance and Enterprise Risk as well as Senior Counsel of Environment, Health and Safety, PPG Industries. Ms. Reilly currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors of UPMC Mercy Hospital.</p>
P. Jerome Richey Birth Date: February 23, 1949 TRUSTEE Indefinite Term Began serving: October 2013	<p>Principal Occupations: Director or Trustee of the Federated Hermes Fund Family; Retired; formerly, Senior Vice Chancellor and Chief Legal Officer, University of Pittsburgh and Executive Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, CONSOL Energy Inc. (now split into two separate publicly traded companies known as CONSOL Energy Inc. and CNX Resources Corp.).</p> <p>Other Directorships Held: None.</p> <p>Qualifications: Mr. Richey has served in several business and legal management roles and directorship positions throughout his career. Mr. Richey most recently held the positions of Senior Vice Chancellor and Chief Legal Officer, University of Pittsburgh. Mr. Richey previously served as Chairman of the Board, Epilepsy Foundation of Western Pennsylvania and Chairman of the Board, World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh. Mr. Richey previously served as Chief Legal Officer and Executive Vice President, CONSOL Energy Inc. and CNX Gas Company; and Board Member, Ethics Counsel and Shareholder, Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC (a law firm).</p>

Name Birth Date Positions Held with Trust Date Service Began	Principal Occupation(s) for Past Five Years, Other Directorships Held, Previous Position(s) and Qualifications
John S. Walsh Birth Date: November 28, 1957 TRUSTEE Indefinite Term Began serving: November 2005	Principal Occupations: Director or Trustee of the Federated Hermes Fund Family; President and Director, Heat Wagon, Inc. (manufacturer of construction temporary heaters); President and Director, Manufacturers Products, Inc. (distributor of portable construction heaters); President, Portable Heater Parts, a division of Manufacturers Products, Inc. Other Directorships Held: None. Qualifications: Mr. Walsh has served in several business management roles and directorship positions throughout his career. Mr. Walsh previously served as Vice President, Walsh & Kelly, Inc. (paving contractors).

OFFICERS

Name Birth Date Address Positions Held with Trust Date Service Began	Principal Occupation(s) for Past Five Years and Previous Position(s)
Lori A. Hensler Birth Date: January 6, 1967 TREASURER Officer since: April 2013	Principal Occupations: Principal Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Federated Hermes Fund Family; Senior Vice President, Federated Administrative Services; Financial and Operations Principal for Federated Securities Corp.; and Assistant Treasurer, Federated Investors Trust Company. Ms. Hensler has received the Certified Public Accountant designation. Previous Positions: Controller of Federated Hermes, Inc.; Senior Vice President and Assistant Treasurer, Federated Investors Management Company; Treasurer, Federated Investors Trust Company; Assistant Treasurer, Federated Administrative Services, Federated Administrative Services, Inc., Federated Securities Corp., Edgewood Services, Inc., Federated Advisory Services Company, Federated Equity Management Company of Pennsylvania, Federated Global Investment Management Corp., Federated Investment Counseling, Federated Investment Management Company, Passport Research, Ltd., and Federated MDTA, LLC; Financial and Operations Principal for Federated Securities Corp., Edgewood Services, Inc. and Southpointe Distribution Services, Inc.
Peter J. Germain Birth Date: September 3, 1959 CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER, SECRETARY AND EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT Officer since: October 2005	Principal Occupations: Mr. Germain is Chief Legal Officer, Secretary and Executive Vice President of the Federated Hermes Fund Family. He is General Counsel, Chief Legal Officer, Secretary and Executive Vice President, Federated Hermes, Inc.; Trustee and Senior Vice President, Federated Investors Management Company; Trustee and President, Federated Administrative Services; Director and President, Federated Administrative Services, Inc.; Director and Vice President, Federated Securities Corp.; Director and Secretary, Federated Private Asset Management, Inc.; Secretary, Federated Shareholder Services Company; and Secretary, Retirement Plan Service Company of America. Mr. Germain joined Federated Hermes, Inc. in 1984 and is a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association. Previous Positions: Deputy General Counsel, Special Counsel, Managing Director of Mutual Fund Services, Federated Hermes, Inc.; Senior Vice President, Federated Services Company; and Senior Corporate Counsel, Federated Hermes, Inc.
Stephen Van Meter Birth Date: June 5, 1975 CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER AND SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT Officer since: July 2015	Principal Occupations: Senior Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer of the Federated Hermes Fund Family; Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer of Federated Hermes, Inc. and Chief Compliance Officer of certain of its subsidiaries. Mr. Van Meter joined Federated Hermes, Inc. in October 2011. He holds FINRA licenses under Series 3, 7, 24 and 66. Previous Positions: Mr. Van Meter previously held the position of Compliance Operating Officer, Federated Hermes, Inc. Prior to joining Federated Hermes, Inc., Mr. Van Meter served at the United States Securities and Exchange Commission in the positions of Senior Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel, Division of Investment Management and Senior Counsel, Division of Enforcement.
Robert J. Ostrowski Birth Date: April 26, 1963 CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER Officer since: September 2006	Principal Occupations: Robert J. Ostrowski joined Federated Hermes, Inc. in 1987 as an Investment Analyst and became a Portfolio Manager in 1990. He was named Chief Investment Officer of Federated Hermes' taxable fixed-income products in 2004 and also serves as a Senior Portfolio Manager. Mr. Ostrowski became an Executive Vice President of the Fund's Adviser in 2009 and served as a Senior Vice President of the Fund's Adviser from 1997 to 2009. Mr. Ostrowski has received the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. He received his M.S. in Industrial Administration from Carnegie Mellon University.

Evaluation and Approval of Advisory Contract – May 2022

FEDERATED HERMES HIGH-YIELD STRATEGY PORTFOLIO (THE “FUND”)

At its meetings in May 2022 (the “May Meetings”), the Fund’s Board of Trustees (the “Board”), including those Trustees who are not “interested persons” of the Fund, as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “Independent Trustees”), reviewed and unanimously approved the continuation of the investment advisory contract between the Fund and Federated Investment Management Company (the “Adviser”) (the “Contract”) for an additional one-year term. The Board’s determination to approve the continuation of the Contract reflects the exercise of its business judgment after considering all of the information and factors believed to be relevant and appropriate on whether to approve the continuation of the existing arrangement. The information, factors and conclusions that formed the basis for the Board’s approval are summarized below.

The Board considered that the Fund is distinctive in that it is used to implement particular investment strategies that are offered to investors in certain separately managed or wrap fee accounts or programs, or certain other discretionary investment accounts, and may also be offered to other funds (each, a “Federated Hermes Fund” and, collectively the “Federated Hermes Funds”) advised by the Adviser or its affiliates (collectively, “Federated Hermes”).

In addition, the Board considered that the Adviser does not charge an investment advisory fee for its services, although Federated Hermes may receive compensation for managing assets invested in the Fund.

Information Received and Review Process

At the request of the Independent Trustees, the Fund’s Chief Compliance Officer (the “CCO”) furnished to the Board in advance of its May Meetings an independent written evaluation presenting on the topics discussed below. The Board considered the CCO’s independent written evaluation (the “CCO Fee Evaluation Report”), along with other information, in evaluating the reasonableness of the Fund’s management fee and in determining to approve the continuation of the Contract. The CCO, in preparing the CCO Fee Evaluation Report, has the authority to retain consultants, experts or staff as reasonably necessary to assist in the performance of his duties, reports directly to the Board, and can be terminated only with the approval of a majority of the Independent Trustees. At the request of the Independent Trustees, the CCO Fee Evaluation Report followed the same general approach and covered the same topics as that of the report that had previously been delivered by the CCO in his capacity as “Senior Officer” prior to the elimination of the Senior Officer position in December 2017.

In addition to the extensive materials that comprise and accompany the CCO Fee Evaluation Report, the Board considered information specifically prepared in connection with the approval of the continuation of the Contract that was presented at the May Meetings. In this regard, in the months preceding the May Meetings, the Board requested and reviewed written responses and supporting materials prepared by Federated Hermes in response to requests posed to Federated Hermes by independent legal counsel on behalf of the Independent Trustees encompassing a wide variety of topics, including those summarized below. The Board also considered such additional matters as the Independent Trustees deemed reasonably necessary to evaluate the Contract, which included detailed information about the Fund and Federated Hermes furnished to the Board at its meetings throughout the year and in between regularly scheduled meetings on particular matters as the need arose.

The Board’s consideration of the Contract included review of materials and information covering the following matters, among others: the nature, quality and extent of the advisory and other services provided to the Fund by the Advisers and their affiliates; Federated Hermes’ business and operations; the Adviser’s investment philosophy, personnel and processes; the Fund’s investment objectives and strategies; the Fund’s short-term and long-term performance (in absolute terms, both on a gross basis and net of expenses, and relative to the Fund’s particular investment program and a group of its peer funds and/or its benchmark, as appropriate); the Fund’s fees and expenses, including the advisory fee and the overall expense structure of the Fund, with due regard for contractual or voluntary expense limitations (if any); the financial condition of Federated Hermes; the Adviser’s profitability with respect to the Fund; distribution and sales activity for the Fund; and the use and allocation of brokerage commissions derived from trading the Fund’s portfolio securities (if any).

The Board also considered judicial decisions concerning allegedly excessive investment advisory fees charged to other registered funds in determining to approve the Contract. Using these judicial decisions as a guide, the Board observed that the following factors may be relevant to an adviser’s fiduciary duty with respect to its receipt of compensation from a fund: (1) the nature and quality of the services provided by the adviser to the fund and its shareholders, including the performance of the fund, its benchmark and comparable funds; (2) the adviser’s cost of providing the services and the profitability to the adviser of providing advisory services to the fund; (3) the extent to which the adviser may realize “economies of scale” as the fund grows larger and, if such economies of scale exist, whether they have been appropriately shared with the fund and its shareholders or the family of funds; (4) any “fall-out” benefits that accrue to the adviser because of its relationship with the fund, including research services received from brokers that execute fund trades and any fees paid to affiliates of the adviser for services rendered to the fund); (5) comparative fee and expense structures,

including a comparison of management fees paid to the adviser with those paid by similar funds both internally and externally as well as management fees charged to institutional and other advisory clients of the adviser for what might be viewed as like services; and (6) the extent of care, conscientiousness and independence with which the fund's board members perform their duties and their expertise, (including whether they are fully informed about all facts the board deems relevant to its consideration of the adviser's services and fees. The Board noted that the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") disclosure requirements regarding the basis for a fund board's approval of the fund's investment advisory contract generally align with the factors listed above. The Board was guided by these factors in its review of the Contract to the extent it considered them to be appropriate and relevant, as discussed further below. The Board considered and weighed these factors in light of its substantial accumulated experience in governing the Fund and working with Federated Hermes on matters relating to the oversight of the other Federated Hermes Funds.

In determining to approve the continuation of the Contract, the members of the Board reviewed and evaluated information and factors they believed to be relevant and appropriate through the exercise of their reasonable business judgment. While individual members of the Board may have weighed certain factors differently, the Board's determination to approve the continuation of the Contract was based on a comprehensive consideration of all information provided to the Board throughout the year and specifically with respect to the continuation of the Contract. The Board recognized that its evaluation process is evolutionary and that the factors considered and emphasis placed on relevant factors may change in recognition of changing circumstances in the registered fund marketplace. The Independent Trustees were assisted throughout the evaluation process by independent legal counsel. In connection with their deliberations at the May Meetings, the Independent Trustees met separately in executive session with their independent legal counsel and without management present to review the relevant materials and consider their responsibilities under applicable laws. In addition, senior management representatives of Federated Hermes also met with the Independent Trustees and their independent legal counsel to discuss the materials and presentations furnished to the Board at the May Meetings. The Board considered the approval of the Contract for the Fund as part of its consideration of agreements for funds across the family of Federated Hermes Funds, but its approvals were made on a fund-by-fund basis.

Nature, Extent and Quality of Services

The Board considered the nature, extent and quality of the services provided to the Fund by the Adviser and the resources of Federated Hermes dedicated to the Fund. In this regard, the Board evaluated, among other things, the terms of the Contract and the range of services provided to the Fund by Federated Hermes. The Board considered the Adviser's personnel, investment philosophy and process, investment research capabilities and resources, trade operations capabilities, experience and performance track record. The Board reviewed the qualifications, backgrounds and responsibilities of the portfolio management team primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund and Federated Hermes' ability and experience in attracting and retaining qualified personnel to service the Fund. The Board also considered the Adviser's ability to deliver competitive investment performance for the Fund when compared to the Fund's benchmark index, which was deemed by the Board to be a useful indicator of how the Adviser is executing the Fund's investment program.

In addition, the Board considered the financial resources and overall reputation of Federated Hermes and its willingness to consider and make investments in personnel, infrastructure, technology, cybersecurity, business continuity planning and operational enhancements that are designed to benefit the Federated Hermes Funds. The Board noted the significant acquisition of Hermes Fund Managers Limited by Federated Hermes, which has deepened the organization's investment management expertise and capabilities and expanded the investment process for all of the Federated Hermes Funds to have access to analytical resources related to environmental, social and governance ("ESG") factors and issuer engagement on ESG matters. The Board considered Federated Hermes' oversight of the securities lending program for the Federated Hermes Funds that engage in securities lending and noted the income earned by the Federated Hermes Funds that participate in such program. In addition, the Board considered the quality of Federated Hermes' communications with the Board and responsiveness to Board inquiries and requests made from time to time with respect to the Fund and other Federated Hermes Funds. In this regard, the Board took into account Federated Hermes' communications with the Board in light of the pandemic. The Board also considered that Federated Hermes is responsible for providing the Federated Hermes Funds' officers.

The Board received and evaluated information regarding Federated Hermes' regulatory and compliance environment. The Board considered Federated Hermes' compliance program and compliance history and reports from the CCO about Federated Hermes' compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including responses to regulatory developments and any compliance or other issues raised by regulatory agencies. The Board also noted Federated Hermes' support of the Federated Hermes Funds' compliance control structure and the compliance-related resources devoted by Federated Hermes in support of the Fund's obligations pursuant to Rule 38a-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, including Federated Hermes' commitment to respond to rulemaking and other regulatory initiatives of the SEC. The Board considered Federated Hermes' approach to internal audits and risk management with respect to the Federated Hermes

Funds and its day-to-day oversight of the Federated Hermes Funds' compliance with their investment objectives and policies as well as with applicable laws and regulations, noting that regulatory and other developments had over time led to an increase in the scope of Federated Hermes' oversight in this regard, including in connection with the designation of the Federated Hermes Funds' investment advisers as the administrators of the Federated Hermes Funds' liquidity risk management program.

The Board also considered the implementation of Federated Hermes' business continuity plans and recognized steps taken by Federated Hermes to continue to provide the same nature, extent and quality of services to the Federated Hermes Funds during the pandemic. In addition, the Board noted Federated Hermes' commitment to maintaining high quality systems and expending substantial resources to prepare for and respond to ongoing changes due to the market, regulatory and control environments in which the Fund and its service providers operate, including changes associated with the pandemic.

The Board considered Federated Hermes' efforts to provide shareholders in the Federated Hermes Funds with a comprehensive array of funds with different investment objectives, policies and strategies. The Board considered the expenses that Federated Hermes had incurred, as well as the entrepreneurial and other risks assumed by Federated Hermes, in sponsoring and providing on-going services to new funds to expand these opportunities for shareholders. The Board noted the benefits to shareholders of being part of the family of Federated Hermes Funds, which include the general right to exchange investments between the same class of shares without the incurrence of additional sales charges.

Based on these considerations, the Board concluded that it was satisfied with the nature, extent and quality of the services provided by the Adviser to the Fund.

Fund Investment Performance

The Board considered the investment performance of the Fund. In evaluating the Fund's investment performance, the Board considered performance results in light of the Fund's investment objective, strategies and risks. The Board considered detailed investment reports on, and the Adviser's analysis of, the Fund's performance over different time periods that were provided to the Board throughout the year and in connection with the May Meetings.

For the periods ended December 31, 2021, the Fund outperformed its benchmark index for the one-year period, and the Fund underperformed its benchmark index for the three-year and five-year periods. The Board discussed the Fund's performance with the Adviser and recognized the efforts being taken by the Adviser in the context of other factors considered relevant by the Board.

Based on these considerations, the Board concluded that it had continued confidence in the Adviser's overall capabilities to manage the Fund.

Fund Expenses

The Board considered that the Adviser does not charge an investment advisory fee to this Fund for its services and has agreed to reimburse the Fund's expenses so that total operating expenses are zero. Because the Adviser does not charge the Fund an investment advisory fee and the Fund's total operating expenses will remain at zero due to reimbursement of expenses, the Board noted that it did not consider fee comparisons to other registered funds or other types of clients of Federated Hermes to be relevant to its evaluation.

Profitability

The Board received and considered profitability information furnished by Federated Hermes, as requested by the CCO. The Board considered that the Adviser does not charge an investment advisory fee to the Fund and noted, therefore, that the Adviser does not profit from providing advisory services to the Fund under the Contract.

The Board also reviewed information compiled by Federated Hermes comparing its profitability information to other publicly held fund management companies, including information regarding profitability trends over time. The Board considered the CCO's conclusion that, based on such profitability information, Federated Hermes' profit margins did not appear to be excessive. The Board also considered the CCO's view that Federated Hermes appeared financially sound, with the resources necessary to fulfill its obligations under its contracts with the Federated Hermes Funds.

Economies of Scale

Because of the distinctive nature of the Fund as primarily an internal product with an advisory fee of zero, the Board noted that it did not consider the assessment of whether economies of scale would be realized if the Fund were to grow to a sufficient size to be particularly relevant to its evaluation.

Other Benefits

The Board considered information regarding the compensation and other ancillary (or "fall-out") benefits that Federated Hermes derived from its relationships with the Federated Hermes Funds.

The Board noted that, although an affiliate of the Adviser charges the Fund an administrative services fee and also the affiliate is entitled to reimbursement for certain out-of-pocket expenses incurred in providing administrative services to the Fund, Federated Hermes reimburses all such fees and expenses to the Fund.

In connection with the Board's governance of other Federated Hermes Funds, the Board noted that, in addition to receiving advisory fees under the Federated Hermes Funds' investment advisory contracts, Federated Hermes' affiliates also receive fees for providing other services to the Federated Hermes Funds under separate contracts (e.g., for serving as the Federated Hermes Funds' administrator and distributor). In this regard, the Board considered that certain of Federated Hermes' affiliates provide distribution and shareholder services to the Federated Hermes Funds, for which they may be compensated through distribution and servicing fees paid pursuant to Rule 12b-1 plans or otherwise. The Board also received and considered information detailing any indirect benefit that Federated Hermes may derive from its receipt of research services from brokers who execute portfolio trades for the Federated Hermes Funds.

Conclusions

The Board considered: (i) the CCO's conclusion that his observations and the information accompanying the CCO Fee Evaluation Report show that the management fee for the Fund is reasonable; and (ii) the CCO's recommendation that the Board approve the management fee. The Board noted that, under these circumstances, no changes were recommended to, and no objection was raised to the continuation of, the Contract by the CCO. The CCO also recognized that the Board's evaluation of the Federated Hermes Funds' advisory and sub-advisory arrangements is a continuing and ongoing process that is informed by the information that the Board requests and receives from management throughout the course of the year and, in this regard, the CCO noted certain items for future reporting to the Board or further consideration by management as the Board continues its ongoing oversight of the Federated Hermes Funds.

On the basis of the information and factors summarized above, among other information and factors deemed relevant by the Board, and the evaluation thereof, the Board, including the Independent Trustees, unanimously voted to approve the continuation of the Contract. The Board based its determination to approve the Contract on the totality of the circumstances and relevant factors and with a view of past and future long-term considerations. Not all of the factors and considerations identified above were necessarily deemed to be relevant to the Fund, nor did the Board consider any one of them to be determinative. With respect to the factors that were deemed to be relevant, the Board's determination to approve the continuation of the Contract reflects its view that Federated Hermes' performance and actions provided a satisfactory basis to support the determination to approve the continuation of the existing arrangement.

Liquidity Risk Management Program – Annual Evaluation of Adequacy and Effectiveness

In accordance with Rule 22e-4 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Liquidity Rule”), Federated Hermes Managed Pool Series (the “Trust”) has adopted and implemented a liquidity risk management program (the “Program”) for Federated Hermes High Yield Strategy Portfolio (the “Fund” and, collectively with the other non-money market open-end funds advised by Federated Hermes, the “Federated Hermes Funds”). The Program seeks to assess and manage the Fund’s liquidity risk. “Liquidity risk” is defined under the Liquidity Rule as the risk that the Fund is unable to meet redemption requests without significantly diluting remaining investors’ interests in the Fund. The Board of Trustee of the Trust (the “Board”) has approved the designation of each Federated Hermes Fund’s investment adviser as the administrator for the Program (the “Administrator”) with respect to that Fund. The Administrator, in turn, has delegated day-to-day responsibility for the administration of the Program to multiple Liquidity Risk Management Committees, which are comprised of representatives from certain divisions within Federated Hermes.

The Program is comprised of various components designed to support the assessment and/or management of liquidity risk, including: (1) the periodic assessment (no less frequently than annually) of certain factors that influence the Fund’s liquidity risk; (2) the periodic classification (no less frequently than monthly) of the Fund’s investments into one of four liquidity categories that reflect an estimate of their liquidity under current market conditions; (3) a 15% limit on the acquisition of “illiquid investments” (as defined under the Liquidity Rule); (4) to the extent a Fund does not invest primarily in “highly liquid investments” (as defined under the Liquidity Rule), the determination of a minimum percentage of the Fund’s assets that generally will be invested in highly liquid investments (an “HLIM”); (5) if a Fund has established an HLIM, the periodic review (no less frequently than annually) of the HLIM and the adoption of policies and procedures for responding to a shortfall of the Fund’s highly liquid investments below its HLIM; and (6) periodic reporting to the Board.

At its meetings in May 2022, the Board received and reviewed a written report (the “Report”) from the Federated Hermes Funds’ Chief Compliance Officer and Chief Risk Officer, on behalf of the Administrator, concerning the operation of the Program for the period from April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022 (the “Period”). The Report addressed the operation of the Program and assessed its adequacy and effectiveness, including, where applicable, the operation of any HLIM established for a Federated Hermes Fund and each Federated Hermes Fund’s access to other available funding sources such as the Federated Hermes Funds’ interfund lending facility, redemptions in-kind, reverse repurchase agreement transactions, redemptions delayed beyond the normal T+1 settlement, but within seven days of the redemption request, and committed lines of credit. There were no material changes to the Program during the Period. The Report summarized the operation of the Program and the information and factors considered by the Administrator in assessing whether the Program has been adequately and effectively implemented with respect to the Federated Hermes Funds. Such information and factors included, among other things:

- confirmation that it was not necessary for the Fund to utilize, and the Fund did not utilize, alternative funding sources during the Period;
- the periodic classifications of the Fund’s investments into one of four liquidity categories and the methodologies and inputs used to classify the investments, including the Fund’s reasonably anticipated trade size;
- the analysis received from a third-party liquidity assessment vendor that is taken into account in the process of determining the liquidity classifications of the Fund’s investments and the results of an evaluation of the services performed by the vendor in support of this process;
- the fact that the Fund invested primarily in highly liquid investments during the Period and, therefore, was not required to establish, and has not established, an HLIM and the procedures for monitoring the status of the Fund as investing primarily in highly liquid investments;
- the fact that the Fund invested no more than 15% of its assets in illiquid investments during the Period and the procedures for monitoring this limit;
- the fact that there were no liquidity events during the Period, that materially affected the Fund’s liquidity risk;
- the impact on liquidity and management of liquidity risk caused by extended non-U.S. market closures and confirmation that there were no issues for any of the affected Federated Hermes Funds in meeting shareholder redemptions at any time during these temporary non-U.S. market closures;
- circumstances during the Period under which the Administrator convened meetings of the Liquidity Risk Management Committees more frequently than normal to conduct enhanced liquidity risk monitoring, including prior to the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Based on this review, the Administrator concluded that the Program is operating effectively to assess and manage the Fund’s liquidity risk, and that the Program has been and continues to be adequately and effectively implemented to monitor and, as applicable, respond to the Fund’s liquidity developments.

Voting Proxies on Fund Portfolio Securities

A description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies, if any, relating to securities held in the Fund's portfolio, as well as a report on "Form N-PX" of how the Fund voted any such proxies during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30, are available, without charge and upon request, by calling 1-800-341-7400, Option #4. A report on "Form N-PX" of how the Fund voted any such proxies during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available via the Proxy Voting Record Report (Form N-PX) link associated with the Fund at [FederatedInvestors.com/FundInformation](https://www.federatedinvestors.com/fundinformation). Select a product name, then click "Documents" and click on "Proxy Voting Record Report." Form N-PX filings are also available at the SEC's website at [sec.gov](https://www.sec.gov).

Quarterly Portfolio Schedule

Each fiscal quarter, the Fund will file with the SEC a complete schedule of its monthly portfolio holdings on "Form N-PORT." The Fund's holdings as of the end of the third month of every fiscal quarter, as reported on Form N-PORT, will be publicly available on the SEC's website at [sec.gov](https://www.sec.gov) within 60 days of the end of the fiscal quarter upon filing. You may also access this information at [FederatedInvestors.com](https://www.federatedinvestors.com). Select a product name, then click "Documents" and select "Form N-PORT."

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