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A NOTE ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, including its strategy, expected performance and conditions. Forward-looking statements are statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as "expects", "anticipates", "plans", "believes", "estimates" or negative versions thereof and similar expressions. In addition, any statement that may be concerning future performance, strategies or prospects, and possible future Fund action, is also a forward-looking statement. Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and projections about future events and are inherently subject to, among other things, risks, uncertainties and assumptions about the Fund and economic factors.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, and actual events and results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements made by the Fund. Any number of important factors could contribute to these digressions, including, but not limited to, general economic, political and market factors, interest and foreign exchange rates, capital markets, business competition, technological changes, changes in government regulations, unexpected judicial or regulatory proceedings and catastrophic events.

We stress that the above-mentioned list is not exhaustive. We encourage you to consider these and other factors carefully before making any investment decisions and we urge you to avoid placing undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Further, you should be aware of the fact that the Fund has no specific intention of updating any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Management Discussion of Fund Performance

The NexGen Canadian Preferred Share Registered Fund (the "Fund") will seek to achieve the investment objective through the investment of substantially all of its portfolio assets in the non-publicly offered debt and shares of the Inter-Fund Class of the NexGen Canadian Preferred Share Tax Managed Fund (the "Tax Managed Fund"). Accordingly, the Management Discussion of Fund Performance that follows represents generally that of the Tax Managed Fund with the exception of the sections titled Investment Objective and Strategies, Risk, Financial Highlights, Management Fees and Series Description and Past Performance which are specific to the Fund. Within the section titled Results of Operations, the net asset value and performance figures discussed relate to the Fund. For information specific to the Tax Managed Fund, please refer to the Management Report of Fund Performance of the Tax Managed Fund.

Investment Objective and Strategies

The investment objective of the Fund is to pursue a steady flow of income primarily through investment in Canadian preferred shares.

The portfolio sub-advisor of the Tax Managed Fund, J. Zechner Associates Inc. (the "Sub-Advisor"), will consider the credit quality of preferred share issuers, the attributes of individual preferred share issues and the expected direction of dividend yields. The Sub-Advisor will seek to invest in preferred shares that provide attractive value relative to available preferred share types, issuers and issues. The Sub-advisor will also consider the relative attractiveness of preferred shares to other fixed income alternatives.

Risk

No changes affecting the overall level of risk associated with investing in the Fund were made during the period. The risks of this Fund remain as discussed in the Fund's most recent simplified prospectus or any amendments and fund facts.

Results of Operations

The Fund's net asset value increased during the year from \$51,211,053 to \$64,230,000. This increase was a result of a combination of net sales and positive return on investments.

The Regular Series of the Fund returned 9.8% compared to a 7.0% return on its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Preferred Share Total Return Index (the "Benchmark"), from which fees and expenses are not deducted. See the section titled "Past Performance" for a detailed summary of the performance of the Fund.

The fund is invested in a diversified portfolio of preferred shares. Perpetual preferred shares made up the largest portion of the portfolio, with rate/reset type issues comprising much of the remainder.

Preferred shares were affected by the financial market volatility that occurred in January and February. The volatility was led by a sharp decline and then rebound in the price of oil. Global equity markets tracked oil prices fairly closely, albeit with more muted moves. Oil plunged 22.5% from the end of January to February 11th, hitting an intra-day low of \$26.05 per barrel. However, news that Saudi Arabia, a few other OPEC members, and Russia were considering capping their oil production at the levels attained in January prompted a strong recovery in oil prices that left them up 0.4% over the whole month. Preferred shares suffered about half the losses of common shares, but were slow to rebound as oil moved higher.

The preferred share market during the third quarter staged a strong recovery from the January-February weakness. Indeed, the S&P/TSX Preferred Share Index finally moved back into positive returns for 2016 as a whole. Most of the gains in the quarter came between early July and early August as a lack of new issue supply and strong investor demand caused a surge in preferred share prices. Subsequently, preferred prices gave back some of their gains over the balance of August before trying to rally again in September. In the fourth quarter, the preferred share market enjoyed robust returns, powered by growing institutional participation and buying of preferred share Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs). Rate reset issues had particularly strong returns, as the increase in activity was focused on rate reset ETF's. The ebbs and flows of new issues also had a noticeable impact on the market during the period.

During the year, the fund participated in new issues of TD Bank, Bank of Nova Scotia, Bank of Montreal and TransCanada Corp. The fund also added holdings in outstanding rate reset issues of Veresen, Element Fleet Management, Fairfax Financial, National Bank, and TD Bank. The sub-advisor realized profits in some issues that had rallied well above par, including Bank of Nova Scotia, Manulife, National Bank and TD Bank holdings.

The proportion of the portfolio at the end of the year held in rate reset issues was 51%, compared to the index weight of 73% and the market weight of 69%. Perpetual issues made up 43% of the portfolio versus 23% in the index and 24% in the market. The sub-advisor anticipates adding to the rate reset holdings and reducing the cash position in the coming months.

Recent Developments

The growth in institutional participation in the preferred share market that has occurred over the last couple of years is unlikely to reverse any time soon. With supply somewhat limited by the relatively few issuers utilizing preferred shares, the increased demand by institutional investors bodes well for preferred share performance. Preferred shares remain cheap versus bonds issued from the same companies, even before the tax advantages of dividends versus interest are considered. While preferred shares are economically sensitive (they do not perform well in recessions), the sub-advisor believes economic growth will remain positive in 2017. Consequently, the sub-advisor is bullish on preferred shares and believes they should play an ongoing role in investors' diversified portfolios.

In recent months, rate reset issues have outperformed other sectors of the preferred share market. In part, this reflected the rise in the 5-year Canada Bond yield from record low levels of roughly 0.50% to about 1.10%. With some potential that the Bank of Canada could reduce interest rates in 2017 and very little possibility of a rate increase before mid-2018, the potential for 5-year bond yields to continue to increase seems limited. As a result, the support for rate reset shares from rising bond yields may wane.

The superior performance of rate reset issues in recent months also appears to have been a rebound from their massive underperformance in 2015 and early in 2016. As a result of the strong move upward in rate reset prices, perpetual issues have become relatively more attractive. Combined with eye-catching yields of 5.50% or more, the relative value proposition of perpetual issues has improved significantly. As a result, the sub-advisor is monitoring the market for potential opportunities to add to the perpetual holdings.

Looking ahead to 2017, there are approximately \$6.1 billion of rate reset issues that will be resetting their dividend rates. In contrast with the preferred shares that reset in 2015 and 2016 that had reset spreads generally below 200 basis points, the ones rolling over in 2017 have reset spreads between 260 and 350 basis points. The larger reset spreads combined with higher current 5-year Canada Bond yields mean that most dividend rates will not experience as severe reductions as those of the last two years. However, current new issue reset spreads are well above most of those rolling over this year, so the sub-advisor anticipates that issuers will, in most cases, choose not to redeem the outstanding issues.

Related Party Transactions

NGAM Canada LP (the "Manager") provides investment management, distribution and administrative services to the Fund. These services are provided in the normal course of operations and are recorded at the amount of consideration agreed to by the Manager and the Fund. National Instrument 81-107 requires the Fund, to establish an independent review committee ("IRC") to whom the Fund must refer all conflict of interest matters for review or approval. NI 81-107 also imposes obligations upon the Manager to establish written policies and procedures for dealing with conflict of interest matters, maintain records in respect of these matters, and provide assistance to the IRC in carrying out its functions.

Management Fees

NGAM Canada LP is the manager of the Fund. In consideration for the investment advisory services provided, the Manager receives a monthly management fee based on the daily average net assets of each series of the Fund, other than the Institutional series. From its management fees, the Manager pays the cost of portfolio manager compensation, and sales and trailing commissions to dealers who distribute securities of the Fund. In consideration for other administrative services provided, the Manager may also charge an administrative fee to the Funds.

From time to time, the Manager may reduce the effective management fee payable by some unitholders by reducing the management fee it charges to the Fund, directing the Fund to make management fee distributions to these unitholders, or by rebating these fees back to the Fund in amounts equal to the management fee reduction. Management fee distributions are automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund and are accounted for as distributions for financial statement purposes.

Fund Operating Expenses

Each Fund is responsible for the payment of all operating expenses including, but not limited to, taxes, accounting fees, legal fees, audit fees, trustee fees, IRC fees, custodial fees, administrative costs, investor servicing costs, broker commissions, interest and bank charges, and costs of reports and prospectuses. In consideration for other administrative services provided, the Manager may also charge an administrative fee to the Funds. The Manager allocates to the Fund certain overhead costs which are directly related to the operation of the Fund (excluding marketing and sales). Those overhead costs would include a portion of the Manager's IT computer software, systems and staff salaries, facilities, insurance (property and liability only), depreciation on fixed assets, data and telephone, printing, office and other general administrative costs.

Operating expenses are attributed to a Fund, or a Fund's series. Common operating expenses of the Funds may be allocated among each fund based on the average number of securityholders or the average daily net asset value of that fund, or other methods of allocation that the Manager deems appropriate, depending on the type of operating expenses being allocated.

Expenses Absorbed

The Manager may waive or absorb a portion of the management fees or operating expenses for certain funds. The decision to absorb these expenses is reviewed periodically and determined at the discretion of the Manager, without notice to unitholders.

The related party fees charged are as follows:

	December 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Management fees	437,814	338,722
Administrative services provided by the Manager	31,410	29,442
Fund expenses absorbed by the Manager	(131,404)	(112,539)

Other Information

Change of Name of the Manager

In August 2015, the name of the parent company of the Manager changed to Natixis Global Asset Management Canada Corp from NexGen Financial Corporation.

Management Fees and Series Description

The Fund currently offers five series of units: Regular, Regular F, Institutional, Deferred Load and Low Load Series.

Management fees differ among the Fund's series of units. The Fund pays the Manager an aggregate management fee. Management fees for the Institutional Series shares are negotiated and paid directly by the investor, not by the Fund. From its management fees, the Manager pays the costs of portfolio manager compensation, and sales and trailing commissions to dealers who distribute securities of the Fund.

As a Percentage of Management Fees

Series	Management Fee	Dealer Compensation	General Administration, Investment Advice and Profit
	(%)	(%)	(%)
Deferred and Low Load	1.25	18	82
Regular	1.00	50	50
Regular F	0.50	0	100

Summary of Investment Portfolio at December 31, 2016

The Fund invests directly in the Tax Managed Fund. The top 25 largest holdings by percentage of net asset value and sector allocation of this fund are listed below. The prospectus and other information about the Tax Managed Fund is available at ngam.natixis.ca or www.sedar.com.

The Summary of Investment Portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund. You may obtain monthly updates to the Fund's holdings free of charge by calling us toll free at 1-866-378-7119 or by writing us at NGAM Canada LP, 145 King Street West, Suite 1500, Toronto, ON, M5H 1J8 or by visiting our website at ngam.natixis.ca or SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Top 25 Holdings	%*	Sector Allocation	%*
Algonquin Power & Utilities Corp. 5.00% Series D Pfd.	5.1	Energy	21.2
Pembina Pipeline Corporation Cl. A 5.00% Series 5 Pfd.	5.0	Insurance	21.0
AltaGas Ltd. 4.75% Series G Pfd.	4.9	Utilities	18.9
Brookfield Asset Management Inc. Cl. A 4.90% Series 37 Pfd.	4.7	Banks	12.1
Westcoast Energy Inc. 5.60% Series 8 Pfd.	4.3	Real Estate	4.6
Enbridge Inc. 4.40% Series 11 Pfd.	4.1	Commercial Finance	4.6
The Toronto-Dominion Bank 4.85% Series 14 Pfd.	4.0	Consumer Staples	4.0
Co-operators General Insurance Company Cl. E 5.00% Series C Pfd.	3.5	Cash & Cash Equivalents [^]	3.6
Canadian Utilities Limited 4.90% Series BB Pfd.	3.5	Consumer Discretionary	3.2
Element Financial Corporation 6.50% Series G Pfd.	3.3	Telecommunication Services	3.2
Royal Bank of Canada 4.90% Series W Pfd.	3.3	Asset Management	2.2
Shaw Communications Inc. Cl. 2 2.79% Series A Pfd.	3.2	Mortgage Finance	1.4
BCE Inc. 4.25% Series AQ Pfd.	3.2	Total	100.0
Fortis Inc. 4.75% Series J Pfd.	3.1		
TransCanada Corporation 4.25% Series 9 Pfd.	2.9		
George Weston Limited 4.75% Series V Pfd.	2.9		
Power Financial Corporation 5.10% Series L Pfd.	2.5		
TransCanada Corporation 4.90% Series 15 Pfd.	2.3		
Great-West Lifeco Inc. 5.25% Series S Pfd.	2.3		
IGM Financial Inc. 5.90% Series B Pfd.	2.2		
Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited 3.62% Series D Pfd.	2.0		
Industrial Alliance Insurance and Financial Services Inc. Cl. A 4.60% Series B Pfd.	2.0		
Emera Incorporated 4.50% Series E Pfd.	1.9		
Manulife Financial Corporation Cl. A 4.50% Series 3 Pfd.	1.6		
Intact Financial Corporation 4.20% Series 1 Pfd.	1.5		

* Based on Transactional NAV in which securities are priced at market closing prices on December 31, 2016.

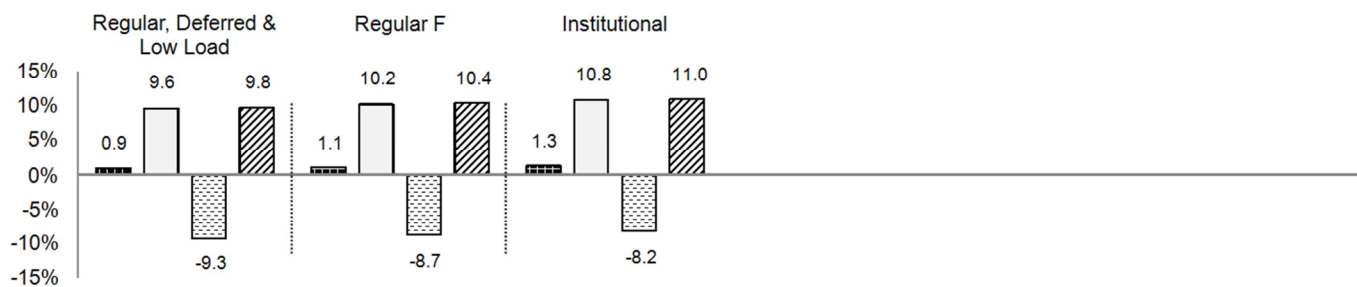
[^]Including other working capital.

Past Performance

The past performance shows historical performance of each series of units of the Fund. This information is provided to show the past performance only and does not necessarily indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. The past performance information assumes that all distributions were reinvested in additional units of the same series of the Fund. The past performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance.

Year-by-Year Returns

The following chart illustrates the annual performance of each series of units of the Fund since its retail inception date - August 26, 2013. The charts show, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each financial period would have increased or decreased by the last day of each financial period.



■ Dec 31 '13

□ Dec 31 '14

▨ Dec 31 '15

▩ Dec 31 '16

Annual Compound Returns

The following table shows the annual compounded total return for each class and series currently offered by the Fund for each of the years shown, ending on December 31, 2016. The annual compound total return is also compared to the Benchmark on the same compound basis.

Series ¹	1 year	3 year	5 year	Since Inception ³
Regular	9.8%	3.0%		2.9%
Deferred and Low Load	9.5%	2.7%		2.6%
Regular F	10.4%	3.5%		3.5%
Institutional	11.0%	4.1%		4.1%

	1 year	3 year	5 year	Since Inception ³
Return of Benchmark ²	7.0%	-0.9%		-0.5%

¹ Net of all fees and expenses paid by the Fund other than the Institutional Series where performance is reported gross of fees negotiated and paid directly by the investor.

² The S&P/TSX Preferred Share Total Return Index is comprised of preferred stocks trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange that meet criteria relating to size, liquidity and issuer rating.

³ Annual compound returns since inception for all classes and series are from the Inception Date.

Financial Highlights[†]

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for each of the year or period ending dates indicated.

Net Assets Per Unit (\$) ¹

	Deferred and Low Load Series				Regular			
	31-Dec-16	31-Dec-15	31-Dec-14	31-Dec-13	31-Dec-16	31-Dec-15	31-Dec-14	31-Dec-13
Net assets, beginning of year	9.97	11.01	10.08	10.00	10.04	11.06	10.09	10.00
Increase (decrease) from operations:								
Total revenue	0.61	0.39	0.77	0.07	0.67	0.42	0.88	0.07
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Realized gains (losses) for the year	(0.03)	(0.04)	-	-	(0.03)	(0.05)	-	-
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.23	(1.51)	0.12	(0.23)	0.34	(1.45)	0.01	(0.25)
Total increase (decrease) from operations ²	0.81	(1.16)	0.89	(0.16)	0.98	(1.08)	0.89	(0.18)
Distributions:								
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(0.63)	(0.15)	(0.13)	(0.03)	(0.64)	(0.15)	(0.13)	(0.03)
From dividends	-	(0.16)	(0.43)	-	-	(0.17)	(0.44)	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	(0.01)	-	-	-	(0.01)
Total distributions ³	(0.63)	(0.31)	(0.56)	(0.04)	(0.64)	(0.32)	(0.57)	(0.04)
Net assets, end of year [*]	10.27	9.97	11.01	10.09	10.37	10.04	11.06	10.08

	Regular F Series				Institutional Series			
	31-Dec-16	31-Dec-15	31-Dec-14	31-Dec-13	31-Dec-16	31-Dec-15	31-Dec-14	31-Dec-13
Net assets, beginning of year	10.17	11.14	10.11	10.00	10.30	11.22	10.13	10.00
Increase (decrease) from operations:								
Total revenue	0.74	0.42	1.08	0.07	0.69	0.37	0.66	0.07
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Realized gains (losses) for the year	(0.03)	(0.05)	-	-	(0.03)	(0.04)	-	-
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.38	(1.42)	(0.18)	(0.14)	0.47	(1.26)	0.46	0.06
Total increase (decrease) from operations ²	1.09	(1.05)	0.90	(0.07)	1.13	(0.93)	1.12	0.13
Distributions:								
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(0.65)	(0.15)	(0.13)	(0.03)	(0.66)	(0.16)	(0.13)	(0.03)
From dividends	-	(0.17)	(0.44)	-	-	(0.17)	(0.44)	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	(0.01)	-	-	-	(0.01)
Total distributions ³	(0.65)	(0.32)	(0.57)	(0.04)	(0.66)	(0.33)	(0.57)	(0.04)
Net assets, end of year [*]	10.56	10.17	11.14	10.11	10.76	10.30	11.22	10.13

Please refer to the footnotes on the last page of this document.

MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE
NEXGEN CANADIAN PREFERRED SHARE REGISTERED FUND

For the year ended December 31, 2016

Ratios and Supplemental Data ¹

	Deferred and Low Load Series				Regular Series			
	31-Dec-16	31-Dec-15	31-Dec-14	31-Dec-13	31-Dec-16	31-Dec-15	31-Dec-14	31-Dec-13
Total net asset value (\$)	4,597,544	5,654,633	3,282,317	2,172,418	19,316,512	17,537,128	8,985,172	1,777,888
Number of units outstanding	447,523	567,279	297,995	215,278	1,862,154	1,746,917	812,242	176,346
Management expense ratio (%) ²	1.54	1.56	1.58	1.30	1.28	1.27	1.25	1.58
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) ²	1.78	1.83	2.10	3.21	1.52	1.55	1.77	3.49
Trading expense ratio (%) ³	0.07	0.21	0.11	0.32	0.07	0.21	0.11	0.32
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁴	28.61	49.69	33.05	14.46	28.61	49.69	33.05	14.46
Net asset value per unit (\$)	10.27	9.97	11.01	10.09	10.37	10.04	11.06	10.08

	Regular F Series				Institutional Series			
	31-Dec-16	31-Dec-15	31-Dec-14	31-Dec-13	31-Dec-16	31-Dec-15	31-Dec-14	31-Dec-13
Total net asset value (\$)	39,842,146	27,588,557	10,219,650	1,411,155	473,854	430,735	473,767	37,982
Number of units outstanding	3,772,232	2,713,958	917,402	139,586	44,046	41,828	42,214	3,750
Management expense ratio (%) ²	0.73	0.72	0.73	0.74	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.18
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) ²	0.97	1.00	1.25	2.65	0.41	0.45	0.69	2.08
Trading expense ratio (%) ³	0.07	0.21	0.11	0.32	0.07	0.21	0.11	0.32
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁴	28.61	49.69	33.05	14.46	28.61	49.69	33.05	14.46
Net asset value per unit (\$)	10.56	10.17	11.14	10.11	10.76	10.30	11.22	10.13

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Financial Highlights

* For financial periods beginning on or after January 1, 2014, financial highlight information is derived from financial statements prepared in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). For the comparative 2013 financial period, ending Net Assets per unit have been changed to reflect the adoption of IFRS, if applicable. As at December 31, 2016 there was no significant difference between "Net Assets" and "Net Asset Value" under IFRS.

Net Assets Per Unit footnotes

- ¹ This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements as at December 31 of the years shown.
- ² Net assets and distributions are based on the actual amount of units at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period.
- ³ Distributions were reinvested in additional units of the Fund, unless the investor requested payment in cash.
- * This is not a reconciliation of the beginning and ending net assets per unit as the increase (decrease) from operations data is based on the weighted average number of units during the period rather than actual unit amounts at the relevant time.

Ratios and Supplemental Data footnotes

- ¹ The information is provided as at December 31 of the years shown.
- ² The management expense ratio (MER) is calculated in accordance with National Instrument 81-106 and is based on total expenses (excluding distributions, commissions, portfolio transaction costs and forward fees as applicable) for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period. In a period where a series is established, the management fee ratio is annualized from the date of inception to the end of the period.

The Manager may authorize a reduction in the management fees and/or operating expense rates generally for certain investors of the Fund who pay or incur distribution or other expenses normally paid by the Fund or the Manager. In this case, if the Manager reduces or rebates a portion of the management fee, the Fund or the Manager pays an amount equal to the reduction either as a distribution or as a direct rebate. The MER does not take this type of reduction into account.

The Manager may temporarily reduce or absorb all or any portion of the management fee and/or operating expenses of the Fund and can terminate the reduction or absorption at any time. The Manager expects to continue to absorb these fees or expenses until such time as the Fund is of sufficient size to reasonably absorb all fees and expenses.
- ³ The Fund invests in shares and debt of the Tax Managed Fund and does not directly incur portfolio transaction costs. The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs of the underlying Tax Managed Fund expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average Transactional NAV of the Tax Managed Fund during the period.
- ⁴ The Fund's portfolio turnover rate is represented by its proportionate share of that of the Tax Managed Fund. The Tax Managed Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how the portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Tax Managed Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. Typically, the higher a fund's portfolio turnover rate, the greater the trading costs payable by a fund. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund.