# Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

For the Year Ended March 31, 2023

This Annual Management Report of Fund Performance contains financial highlights but does not contain the complete annual financial statements of the exchange-traded fund ("ETF"). You may obtain a copy of the annual financial statements, at no cost, by calling the toll-free number 1-800-387-0614, by writing to us at Mackenzie Financial Corporation, 180 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario M5V 3K1, by visiting our website at www.mackenzieinvestments.com or by visiting the SEDAR website at www.sedar.com. Unitholders may also contact us using one of these methods to request a copy of the ETF's interim financial report, proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record or quarterly portfolio disclosure. For more information, please refer to the ETF's Prospectus and ETF Facts, which may also be obtained, at no cost, using any of the methods outlined above.

For the ETF's current net asset value per unit and for more recent information on general market events, please visit our website.

#### A NOTE ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report may contain forward-looking statements that reflect our current expectations or forecasts of future events. Forward-looking statements include statements that are predictive in nature, depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or include words such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "estimates", "preliminary", "typical" and other similar expressions. In addition, these statements may relate to future corporate actions, future financial performance of a fund or a security and their future investment strategies and prospects. Forward-looking statements are inherently subject to, among other things, risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause actual events, results, performance or prospects to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements. These risks, uncertainties and assumptions include, without limitation, general economic, political and market factors in North America and internationally, interest and foreign exchange rates, the volatility of global equity and capital markets, business competition, technological change, changes in government regulations, changes in securities laws and regulations, changes in tax laws, unexpected judicial or regulatory proceedings, catastrophic events, outbreaks of disease or pandemics (such as COVID-19), and the ability of Mackenzie to attract or retain key employees. The foregoing list of important risks, uncertainties and assumptions is not exhaustive. Please consider these and other factors carefully and do not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking information contained in this report is current only as of the date of this report. There should not be an expectation that such information will in all circumstances be updated, supplemented or revised whether as a result of new information, changing circumstances, future events or otherwise.



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# **Management Discussion of Fund Performance**

June 5, 2023

This Management Discussion of Fund Performance presents the portfolio management team's view on the significant factors and developments that have affected the ETF's performance and outlook in the year ended March 31, 2023 (the "period"). If the ETF was established during the period, "period" represents the period since inception.

In this report, "Mackenzie" and "the Manager" refer to Mackenzie Financial Corporation, the manager of the ETF. In addition, net asset value ("NAV") refers to the value of the ETF as calculated for subscription and redemption purposes, on which the discussion of ETF performance is based.

Please read A Note on Forward-Looking Statements on the first page of this document.

## **Investment Objective and Strategies**

The ETF seeks to generate current income by investing primarily in floating-rate debt instruments and/or high-yield debt securities of issuers located anywhere in the world. The ETF invests in senior loans, which are generally rated below investment grade debt. Settlement periods for senior secured loans may be longer than for other types of debt securities, such as corporate bonds. The ETF is not a substitute for holding cash or money market securities.

## Risk

The risks of the ETF remain as discussed in the ETF's Prospectus.

The ETF is suitable for short- to medium-term investors looking for the current income potential of floating-rate instruments linked to interest rate changes to hold as part of their portfolio to diversify their fixed income holdings, who can handle the volatility of bond markets and who have a low to medium tolerance for risk.

## Results of Operations

## **Investment Performance**

During the period, the ETF returned -1.2% (after deducting fees and expenses). This compares with a return of -2.0% for the ETF's broad-based index, the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index, and a return of 2.3% for the ETF's narrow index, the Morningstar LSTA Leveraged Loan (Hedged) Index. All index returns are calculated on a total return basis in Canadian dollar terms. Investors cannot invest in an index without incurring fees, expenses and commissions, which are not reflected in the index returns.

In response to persistently high inflation, the U.S. Federal Reserve increased the federal funds rate by 450 basis points over the period to end at a target of 4.75%–5.00%. Concerns that higher interest rates could cause a recession, along with the floating-rate nature of the asset class, led to higher yields for term loans and wider loan spreads (the margin by which the interest rate, which fluctuates according to a loan's market price, exceeds the floating reference rate).

The ETF outperformed the broad-based index, with its shorter duration (lower sensitivity to interest rates) contributing to performance. Conversely, overweight exposure to corporate bonds detracted from performance relative to the broad-based index. Given the ETF's mandate, the return of the narrow index is a more meaningful comparison.

The ETF underperformed the narrow index, with holdings in high-yield bonds detracting from performance. Exposure to second-lien term loans and term loans rated "CCC" also detracted from performance. The ETF's cash position as the term loan market declined over part of the period contributed to performance.

Over the period, the portfolio management team decreased the ETF's exposure to term loans in response to the higher cost of borrowing, given the floating-rate nature of loans.

#### **Net Assets**

The ETF's net assets decreased by 38.7% during the period to \$688.0 million. This change was composed primarily of \$23.9 million in net losses (including any interest and/or dividend income) from investment performance, after deducting fees and expenses, and a decrease of \$410.6 million due to net unitholder activity (including sales, redemptions and cash distributions).

At March 31, 2023, 30.0% of the ETF's NAV was held as inventory by the ETF's designated broker primarily for the purpose of sales to investors in the secondary market. As a result of these investments, the ETF is subject to large transaction risk as discussed in the Prospectus. Mackenzie manages this risk to reduce the possibility of any adverse effect on the ETF or on its investors, through such processes as settling transactions in kind, charging creation and/or redemption fees for transactions settling in cash, and establishing appropriate order cut-off times for transactions.

#### Recent Developments

The portfolio management team is cautious about prospects for corporate bonds, including term loans, as a result of market uncertainty and the floating-rate characteristics of term loans, which can lead to higher borrowing costs. Term loans are not shielded from macroeconomic risks, and their outlook depends on economic and geopolitical developments. The team believes elevated inflation, high interest rates, geopolitical uncertainties, and weakening consumer and corporate demand could lead to underperformance. In addition, the team is concerned that market volatility and risk aversion could result in wider loan spreads.

The team believes issuer selection and sound credit research remain important in assessing investment opportunities and managing risks.

Effective March 31, 2023, KPMG LLP was appointed as the auditor of the ETF.

## Related Party Transactions

#### **Management Fees**

The management expense ratio ("MER") for the ETF during the year ended March 31, 2023, was similar to the MER for the year ended March 31, 2022. Total expenses paid vary from period to period mainly as a result of changes in average assets in the ETF. The MERs are presented in the *Financial Highlights* section of this report. The ETF paid management fees to the Manager at the annual rate of 0.60%.

The management fee for the ETF is calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of its NAV. The ETF's management fees were used by the Manager to pay for the costs of managing the investment portfolio of the ETF, including providing investment analysis and recommendations, making investment decisions, making brokerage arrangements for the purchase and sale of the investment portfolio and providing other services, and to pay for all costs and expenses (other than certain specified fund costs as more fully described in the Prospectus) required to operate the ETF.

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#### **Other Related Party Transactions**

Investment funds managed by Mackenzie and its affiliates may invest in the ETF in accordance with the investment objectives of those funds. At March 31, 2023, funds managed by Mackenzie owned 9.6% of the ETF's NAV, funds managed by Canada Life Investment Management Ltd. owned 5.2% of the ETF's NAV, and funds managed by I.G. Investment Management, Ltd. owned 1.1% of the ETF's NAV. All related party transactions are based on the current market price. As a result of these investments, the ETF may be subject to large transaction risk as discussed in the Prospectus. Mackenzie manages this risk to reduce the possibility of any adverse effects on the ETF or on its investors, through such processes as settling transactions in kind, charging creation and/or redemption fees for transactions settling in cash, and establishing appropriate order cut-off times for transactions.

During the period, the ETF received \$0.01 million in income distributions from investments in other ETFs managed by Mackenzie to offset fees paid within those ETFs. There is no assurance that these distributions will continue in the future.

The Manager relied on an approval provided by the Mackenzie Funds' Independent Review Committee to appoint KPMG LLP as the auditor of the ETF, effective March 31, 2023.

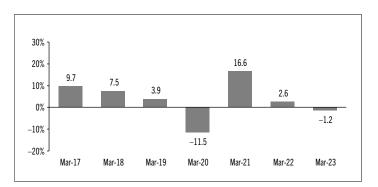
#### **Past Performance**

The ETF's past performance information is presented in the following chart and table. It assumes all distributions made by the ETF in the periods presented are reinvested in additional units of the ETF. The chart and table do not take into account brokerage commissions or income taxes payable by any investor that would have reduced returns. The past performance of the ETF is not necessarily an indication of how it will perform in the future.

If you hold this ETF outside of a registered plan, income and capital gains distributions paid to you increase your income for tax purposes whether paid to you in cash or reinvested in additional units of the ETF. The amount of reinvested taxable distributions is added to the adjusted cost base of the units that you own. This would decrease your capital gain or increase your capital loss when you later sell from the ETF, thereby ensuring that you are not taxed on this amount again. Please consult your tax advisor regarding your personal tax situation.

## Year-by-Year Returns

The following bar chart presents the performance of the ETF for each of the fiscal periods shown. The chart shows, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each fiscal period, or on the ETF's inception date (April 19, 2016), as applicable, would have increased or decreased by the last day of the fiscal period presented.



## Annual Compound Returns

The following table compares the historical annual compound total returns for the ETF with the relevant index or indices shown below for each of the periods ended March 31, 2023. Investors cannot invest in an index without incurring fees, expenses and commissions, which are not reflected in these performance figures.

All index returns are calculated in Canadian dollars on a total return basis, meaning that all dividend payments, interest income accruals and interest payments are reinvested.

Percentage Return:	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr		Since Inception
Mackenzie Floating Rate Income ETF	-1.2	5.7	1.7	n/a	3.6
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index* Morningstar LSTA Leveraged Loan (Hedged)	-2.0	-1.7	0.9	n/a	1.1
Index	2.3	8.3	3.0	n/a	3.9

<sup>\*</sup> Broad-based index

The FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index is a broad measure of Canadian bonds with terms to maturity of more than one year. It includes federal, provincial, municipal and corporate bonds rated "BBB" or higher.

The Morningstar LSTA Leveraged Loan (Hedged) Index is a broad index designed to reflect the performance of U.S. dollar facilities in the leveraged loan market. The foreign currency exposure is hedged to the Canadian dollar.

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# Summary of Investment Portfolio at March 31, 2023

PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
Bonds	95.9
Cash and short-term investments	2.6
Exchange-traded funds/notes	1.9
Equities	0.2
Other assets (liabilities)	(0.6)

REGIONAL ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
United States	80.5
Canada	6.6
Luxembourg	3.2
Cash and short-term investments	2.6
United Kingdom	2.3
Spain	1.7
Germany	0.9
Ireland	0.8
France	0.7
Netherlands	0.5
China	0.4
Australia	0.3
Hong Kong	0.1
Other assets (liabilities)	(0.6)

SECTOR ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
Term loans	82.5
Corporate bonds	11.4
Cash and short-term investments	2.6
Federal bonds	1.9
Exchange-traded funds/notes	1.9
Mortgage backed	0.1
Health care	0.1
Utilities	0.1
Other assets (liabilities)	(0.6)

BONDS BY CREDIT RATING*	6 OF NAV
AAA	1.9
A	0.7
BBB	0.9
Less than BBB	80.4
Unrated	12.0

<sup>\*</sup> Credit ratings and rating categories are based on ratings issued by a designated rating organization.

TOP 25 POSITIONS	% OF NAV
Issuer/Underlying Fund	-
Cash and short-term investments	2.6
Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. F/R 09-15-2026	1.9
Timber Servicios Empresariales SA Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 02-17-2029	1.7
iShares iBoxx \$ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF	1.6
Dispatch Terra Acquistion LLC Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 03-25-2028	1.4
Hunter Douglas Inc. Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 02-09-2029	1.4
Arc Falcon I Inc. Term Loan 1st Lien F/R 09-22-2028	1.4
Domtar Corp. Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 10-01-2028	1.2
ANI Technologies Private Ltd. Term Loan 1st Lien F/R 12-03-2026	1.2
Quasar Intermediate Holdings Ltd. Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 01-20-2029	1.2
Veregy Term Loan 1st Lien F/R 11-03-2027	1.1
Albion Acquisitions Ltd. Term Loan 1st Lien F/R 07-31-2026	1.1
Alchemy US Holdco LLC Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 10-01-2025	1.1
ADS Tactical Inc. Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 03-04-2028	1.1
LSF10 XL Bidco SCA Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 03-30-2028	1.1
Creation Technologies Inc. Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 09-24-2028	1.1
C&D Technologies Inc. Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 12-13-2025	1.0
Spectrum Group Buyer Inc. Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 05-11-2028	1.0
CMBF LLC Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 07-07-2028	1.0
East West Manufacturing LLC Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 01-05-2029	1.0
OpenMarket Inc. Term Loan 1st Lien 09-17-2026	0.9
Specialty Pharma III Inc. Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 02-24-2028	0.9
Signal Parent Inc. Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 04-01-2028	0.9
Magenta Buyer LLC Term Loan 1st Lien F/R 05-03-2028	0.9
Nielsen Holdings PLC Term Loan B 1st Lien F/R 02-05-2028	0.9
Top long positions as a percentage	
of total net asset value	30.7

The ETF held no short positions at the end of the period.

For the prospectus and other information about the underlying fund(s) held in the portfolio, visit www.mackenzieinvestments.com or www.sedar.com.

The investments and percentages may have changed since March 31, 2023, due to the ongoing portfolio transactions of the ETF. Quarterly updates of holdings are available within 60 days of the end of each quarter except for March 31, the ETF's fiscal year-end, when they are available within 90 days.

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# **Financial Highlights**

The following tables show selected key financial information about the ETF and are intended to help you understand the ETF's financial performance for each of the fiscal periods presented below. In the period when the ETF was established, "period" represents the period from inception to the end of that fiscal period. The inception date can be found under *Past Performance*.

#### THE ETF'S NET ASSETS PER SECURITY (\$)1

CAD Units (Ticker: MFT)	Mar. 31 2023	Mar. 31 2022	Mar. 31 2021	Mar. 31 2020	Mar. 31 2019
Net assets, beginning of period	18.90	19.14	17.42	20.98	21.42
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	1.35	0.92	1.08	1.49	1.48
Total expenses	(0.08)	(0.09)	(0.10)	(0.10)	(0.11)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	(1.38)	(0.62)	(0.57)	(0.17)	(0.55)
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(0.37)	0.22	2.24	(2.94)	(0.10)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>2</sup>	(0.48)	0.43	2.65	(1.72)	0.72
Distributions:					
From net investment income					
(excluding Canadian dividends)	(1.08)	(0.75)	(1.01)	(1.41)	(1.27)
From Canadian dividends	-	_	_	_	-
From capital gains	-	_	_	_	_
Return of capital	-	-	-	(0.02)	(0.01)
Total annual distributions <sup>3</sup>	(1.08)	(0.75)	(1.01)	(1.43)	(1.28)
Net assets, end of period	17.48	18.90	19.14	17.42	20.98

- (1) These calculations are prescribed by securities regulations and are not intended to be a reconciliation between opening and closing net assets per unit. This information is derived from the ETF's audited annual financial statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements may differ from the net asset value per unit calculated for ETF pricing purposes. An explanation of these differences, if any, can be found in the Notes to Financial Statements.
- (2) Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the fiscal period.
- (3) Distributions were paid in cash/reinvested in additional units of the ETF, or both.

#### **RATIOS AND SUPPLEMENTAL DATA**

CAD Units (Ticker: MFT)	Mar. 31 2023	Mar. 31 2022	Mar. 31 2021	Mar. 31 2020	Mar. 31 2019
Total net asset value (\$000) <sup>1</sup>	687,963	1,122,513	640,339	377,946	672,373
Units outstanding (000) <sup>1</sup>	39,350	59,400	33,450	21,700	32,050
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>2</sup>	0.68	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.69
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%) <sup>2</sup> Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	0.68	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.69
Trading expense ratio before reimbursements (%) <sup>3</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>4</sup>	41.68	64.59	56.22	43.57	87.82
Net asset value per unit (\$)	17.48	18.88	19.14	17.40	20.95
Closing market price (\$) <sup>5</sup>	17.40	18.92	19.22	16.78	20.89

- (1) This information is provided as at the end of the fiscal period shown.
- (2) Management expense ratio ("MER") is based on total expenses, excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs, income taxes and withholding taxes, for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period, except as noted. If the ETF was established in the period, the MER is annualized from the date of inception to the end of the period. Where the ETF directly invests in securities of another fund (including other ETFs), the MER presented for the ETF includes the portion of MERs of the other fund(s) attributable to this investment. Any income distributions received from ETFs managed by the Manager, with the intention of offsetting fees paid within those ETFs but which are not considered to be duplicative fees under regulatory requirements, are treated as waived expenses for MER purposes. The Manager may waive or absorb operating expenses at its discretion and stop waiving or absorbing such expenses at any time without notice.
- (3) The trading expense ratio ("TER") represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period. Where the ETF invests in securities of another fund (including other ETFs), the TER presented for the ETF includes the portion of TERs of the other fund(s) attributable to this investment. The Manager may reimburse the ETF for certain brokerage commissions and other transaction costs (including those payable to the custodian or its agents). The Manager may make these reimbursements at its discretion and stop these reimbursements at any time without notice.
- (4) The ETF's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the ETF's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the ETF buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher the ETF's portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the ETF in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of the ETF. The portfolio turnover rate is not provided when the ETF is less than one year old.
- (5) Closing market price, or the midpoint of the bid and ask prices in the absence of a closing market price, on the last trading day of the period as reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange.