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DISCUSSION OF FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)

For the period of December 1, 2021, through November 30, 2022, as provided by portfolio managers, Daniel Rabasco and Jeffrey Burger of Insight North America LLC, sub-adviser

Market and Fund Performance Overview

For the 12-month period ended November 30, 2022, BNY Mellon Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc. (the “fund”) achieved a total return of -17.33% on a net-asset-value basis and -24.21% on a market-price basis.¹ Over the same period, the fund provided aggregate income dividends of \$352 per share, which reflects a distribution rate of 5.95%. In comparison, the Bloomberg U.S. Municipal Bond Index (the “Index”), the fund’s benchmark, posted a total return of -8.64% for the same period.²

During the reporting period, municipal bonds lost ground amid inflation fears and rising interest rates. The fund’s performance was driven primarily by its duration positioning.

The Fund’s Investment Approach

The fund seeks to maximize current income exempt from federal income tax to the extent believed by BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. to be consistent with the preservation of capital. In pursuing this goal, the fund invests at least 80% of its assets in municipal bonds. Under normal market conditions, the weighted average maturity of the fund’s portfolio is expected to exceed 10 years. Under normal market conditions, the fund invests at least 80% of its net assets in municipal bonds considered investment grade or the unrated equivalent as determined by sub-adviser.

The fund also has issued auction-rate preferred stock (ARPS), a percentage of which remains outstanding from its initial public offering, and has invested the proceeds in a manner consistent with its investment objective. This, along with the fund’s participation in secondary, inverse-floater structures, has the effect of “leveraging” the portfolio, which can magnify gain-and-loss potential depending on market conditions.

Over time, many of the fund’s older, higher-yielding bonds have matured or were redeemed by their issuers. We have attempted to replace those bonds with investments consistent with the fund’s investment policies. We have also sought to invest newly issued bonds that, in our opinion, have better structural or income characteristics than previous holdings. When such opportunities arise, we usually look to sell bonds that are close to their optional redemption date or maturity.

Markets Hindered by Volatility and Municipal Bond Fund Outflows

During the reporting period, the municipal bond market continued to experience volatility driven by economic uncertainty, rising inflation and geopolitical risk. While employment remains strong, the outcome of the Federal Reserve’s (the “Fed”) tightening policy is uncertain, with investors fearing that an economic slowdown is likely.

Inflation measures stayed near multi-decade highs during the reporting period. The Fed initiated increases in the federal funds rate, raising it by 25 basis points (bps) in March 2022 and 50 bps in May 2022. In June, July, September and November rates were again raised by 75 bps each time, bringing the federal funds target rate to between 3.75% and 4.00%.

Fears that the economy could slow were realized when the first-quarter GDP figures were released in April 2022 showing the economy declined somewhat. A still-strong labor market, however, suggested that the economy could rebound. Second-quarter data, however, showed that the economy shrank again, making for two consecutive quarters of decline, a rough indicator of recession.

The persistence of higher-than-expected inflation, combined with measures from the Fed to combat it, have led to significant outflows from municipal bond funds. The need for municipal bond fund managers to meet redemptions has only added to the downward momentum.

While headwinds prevailed over most of the period, credit fundamentals in the municipal market remain strong. In addition, turmoil has resulted in more attractive valuations in many segments of the market, creating the potential for outperformance in the future.

In fact, late in the reporting period, attractive values, the prospect of a decline in inflation and an end to the Fed's tightening began to attract some retail and institutional investors back into the market, and municipal bonds rebounded strongly. In addition, the normal seasonal decline in supply, combined with the seasonal reinvestment of maturing bonds, provided some support.

Duration Positioning Hindered Results

The fund's performance was driven primarily by its relatively long duration and its positioning at the long end of the municipal bond yield curve. Rising inflation and interest rates hurt these positions more than other portions of the portfolio. Security selection also detracted from performance, especially in the transportation, hospital and special tax segments. Positions in the bonds of the North Texas Tollway and New York's Metropolitan Transportation Authority hampered performance, as did Colorado and Illinois health bonds. An overweight to revenue bonds also hindered returns as well, especially in the long-term care and prepaid gas segments.

On the other hand, the fund's performance was helped by the relatively strong selections in certain segments. Selections in the tobacco-backed segment and among state general obligation bonds were advantageous. Puerto Rico and Illinois bonds in particular were beneficial. The fund did not make use of derivatives during the period.

An Optimistic Near-Term Outlook

With signs that inflation may be easing and that the Fed may soon begin to slow the pace of its interest rate increases, the municipal bond market rebounded sharply at the end of the reporting period, fueled by investor inflows. We believe that the Fed will soon reach the end of its tightening cycle, which should benefit the municipal bond market. In addition, if the Fed's actions result in a recession, that is also likely to support municipal bonds, as these are seen as a safe haven. As for technical factors, we also expect that new issuance will be manageable, and that a return of investors will result in healthy inflows to the market. We plan to maintain the current duration positioning as well as the current levels of leverage.

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¹ Total return includes reinvestment of dividends and any capital gains paid, based upon net asset value per share. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Income may be subject to state and local taxes, and some income may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax (AMT) for certain investors. Capital gains, if any, are fully taxable. Return figures provided reflect the waiver by BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. of a portion of its management fee pursuant to an undertaking in effect through May 31, 2023, at which time it may be extended, terminated or modified. Had a portion of the management fee not been waived, the fund's returns would have been lower.

² Source: Lipper, Inc. ---The Bloomberg U.S. Municipal Bond Index (the "Index") covers the U.S. dollar-denominated long-term tax exempt bond market. Unlike a closed-end fund, the Index is not subject to fees and other expenses. Investors cannot invest directly in any index. Distribution rate per share is based upon dividends per share paid from net investment income during the period, divided by the market price per share at the end of the period, adjusted for any capital gain distributions.

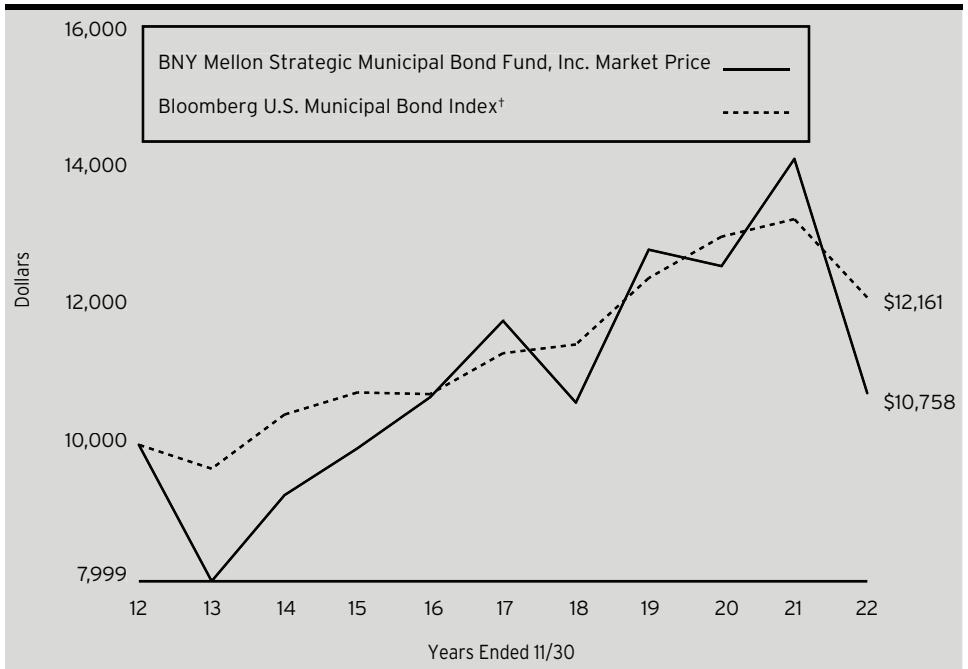
Bonds are subject generally to interest-rate, credit, liquidity and market risks, to varying degrees, all of which are more fully described in the fund's prospectus. Generally, all other factors being equal, bond prices are inversely related to interest-rate changes, and rate increases can cause price declines.

High yield bonds are subject to increased credit risk and are considered speculative in terms of the issuer's perceived ability to continue making interest payments on a timely basis and to repay principal upon maturity.

The use of leverage may magnify the fund's gains or losses. For derivatives with a leveraging component, adverse changes in the value or level of the underlying asset can result in a loss that is much greater than the original investment in the derivative.

Recent market risks include pandemic risks related to COVID-19. The effects of COVID-19 have contributed to increased volatility in global markets and will likely affect certain countries, companies, industries and market sectors more dramatically than others. To the extent the fund may overweight its investments in certain, companies, industries or market sectors, such positions will increase the fund's exposure to risk of loss from adverse developments affecting those, companies, industries or sectors.

FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited)



Comparison of change in value of a \$10,000 investment in BNY Mellon Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc. with a hypothetical investment of \$10,000 in the Bloomberg U.S. Municipal Bond Index (the "Index").

† Source: Lipper Inc.

Past performance is not predictive of future performance.

The above graph compares a hypothetical \$10,000 investment made in BNY Mellon Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc. on 11/30/12 to a hypothetical investment of \$10,000 made in the Index on that date. All figures for the fund are based on market price. All dividends and capital gain distributions are reinvested.

The fund invests primarily in municipal securities and its performance shown in the line graph takes into account fees and expenses. The Index covers the U.S. dollar-denominated long-term tax-exempt bond market. Unlike a closed-end fund, the Index is not subject to fees and other expenses. Investors cannot invest directly in any index. Further information relating to fund performance, including expense reimbursements, if applicable, is contained in the Financial Highlights within this report and elsewhere in this report.

Average Annual Total Returns as of 11/30/2022

	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
BNY Mellon Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc.-Market Price	-24.21%	-1.86%	.73%
BNY Mellon Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc.-Net Asset Value	-17.33%	.46%	2.31%
Bloomberg U.S. Municipal Bond Index	-8.64%	1.40%	1.98%

The performance data quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. Share price and investment return fluctuate and an investor's shares may be worth more or less than original cost upon sale of the shares. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Go to www.im.bnymellon.com for the fund's most recent month-end returns.

The fund's performance shown in the graph and table does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the sale of fund shares.

FUND PERFORMANCE (Unaudited) (continued)

DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

The following information regarding the fund's distributions is current as of November 30, 2022, the fund's fiscal year end. The fund's returns during the period were sufficient to meet fund distributions.

The fund's distribution policy is intended to provide shareholders with stable, but not guaranteed, cash flow, independent of the amount or timing of income earned or capital gains realized by the fund. The fund intends to distribute all or substantially all of its net investment income through its regular monthly distribution and to distribute realized capital gains at least annually. In addition, in any monthly period, in order to try to maintain a level distribution amount, the fund may pay out more or less than its net investment income during the period. As a result, distributions sources may include net investment income, realized gains and return of capital. You should not draw any conclusions about the fund's investment performance from the amount of the distribution or from the terms of the level distribution program. A return of capital is a non-taxable distribution of a portion of a fund's capital. A return of capital distribution does not necessarily reflect a fund's investment performance and should not be confused with "yield" or "income."

The amounts and sources of distributions reported below are for financial reporting purposes and are not being provided for tax reporting purposes. The actual amounts and character of the distributions for tax reporting purposes will be reported to shareholders on Form 1099-DIV, which will be sent to shareholders shortly after calendar year-end. Because distribution source estimates are updated throughout the current fiscal year based on the fund's performance, those estimates may differ from both the tax information reported to you in your fund's 1099 statement, as well as the ultimate economic sources of distributions over the life of your investment. The figures in the table below provide the sources of distributions and may include amounts attributed to realized gains and/or returns of capital.

Distributions							
	Current Month			Fiscal Year Ended			
	Percentage of Distributions			Per Share Amounts			
	Net	Realized	Return of	Total	Net	Realized	Return of
	Investment	Gains	Capital	Distributions	Investment	Gains	Capital
	Income				Income		
BNY Mellon Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc.	100.00%	.00%	.00%	\$.35	\$.35	\$.00	\$.00

SELECTED INFORMATION

November 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Market Price per share November 30, 2022				\$ 5.92
Shares Outstanding November 30, 2022				49,428,691
New York Stock Exchange Ticker Symbol				DSM
MARKET PRICE (NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE)				
Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022				
	Quarter Ended February 28, 2022	Quarter Ended May 31, 2022	Quarter Ended August 31, 2022	Quarter Ended November 30, 2022
High	\$8.40	\$7.51	\$6.72	\$6.37
Low	7.15	6.20	6.05	5.25
Close	7.30	6.67	6.43	5.92
PERCENTAGE GAIN (LOSS) based on change in Market Price[†]				
November 22, 1989 (commencement of operations) through November 30, 2022				397.73%
December 1, 2012 through November 30, 2022				7.58
December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2022				(8.97)
December 1, 2021 through November 30, 2022				(24.21)
March 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022				(15.45)
June 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022				(8.69)
September 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022				(6.59)
NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE				
November 22, 1989 (commencement of operations)				\$9.32
November 30, 2021				8.38
February 28, 2022				7.90
May 31, 2022				7.18
August 31, 2022				6.81
November 30, 2022				6.57
PERCENTAGE GAIN (LOSS) based on change in Net Asset Value[†]				
November 22, 1989 (commencement of operations) through November 30, 2022				492.48%
December 1, 2012 through November 30, 2022				25.63
December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2022				2.32
December 1, 2021 through November 30, 2022				(17.33)
March 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022				(13.32)
June 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022				(5.89)
September 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022				(2.16)

[†] With dividends reinvested.

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

November 30, 2022

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Bonds and Notes - .4%				
Collateralized Municipal-Backed Securities - .4%				
Arizona Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. 2019-2 (cost \$1,349,462)	3.63	5/20/2033	1,229,478	1,184,160
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9%				
Alabama - 5.9%				
Alabama Special Care Facilities Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds (Methodist Home for the Aging Obligated Group)	5.50	6/1/2030	1,800,000	1,711,900
Alabama Special Care Facilities Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds (Methodist Home for the Aging Obligated Group)	5.75	6/1/2045	1,250,000	1,109,034
Alabama Special Care Facilities Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds (Methodist Home for the Aging Obligated Group)	6.00	6/1/2050	1,500,000	1,346,468
Black Belt Energy Gas District, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. D1	4.00	6/1/2027	1,000,000 ^a	1,004,272
Jefferson County, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. F	7.75	10/1/2046	6,000,000 ^b	6,117,644
The Lower Alabama Gas District, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A	5.00	9/1/2046	5,000,000	5,156,290
University of Alabama at Birmingham, Revenue Bonds, Ser. B	4.00	10/1/2036	2,745,000	2,756,097
				19,201,705
Arizona - 6.2%				
Arizona Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds (Equitable School Revolving Fund LLC Obligated Group) Ser. A	4.00	11/1/2045	1,500,000	1,363,482
Arizona Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds (Legacy Cares Project) Ser. A	7.75	7/1/2050	4,305,000 ^c	3,013,500
Arizona Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds (Phoenix Children's Hospital Obligated Group)	4.00	2/1/2050	1,500,000	1,334,934

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Arizona - 6.2% (continued)				
Arizona Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (BASIS Schools Projects) Ser. A	5.25	7/1/2047	1,500,000 ^c	1,435,463
Glendale Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Sun Health Services Obligated Group) Ser. A	5.00	11/15/2048	1,500,000	1,513,548
Maricopa County Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Legacy Traditional Schools Project)	5.00	7/1/2049	1,775,000 ^c	1,617,152
Salt Verde Financial Corp., Revenue Bonds	5.00	12/1/2037	1,345,000	1,392,088
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2018-XF2537), (Salt Verde Financial Corporation, Revenue Bonds) Recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.08	12/1/2037	4,550,000 ^{c,d,e}	4,709,272
The Phoenix Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds (Legacy Traditional Schools Project) Ser. A	6.75	7/1/2044	1,000,000 ^c	1,023,934
The Phoenix Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (BASIS Schools Projects) Ser. A	5.00	7/1/2046	3,000,000 ^c	2,780,613
				20,183,986
California - 8.0%				
California Municipal Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A	4.00	2/1/2051	1,500,000	1,341,131
Jefferson Union High School District, COP (Teacher & Staff Housing Project) (Insured; Build America Mutual)	4.00	8/1/2055	1,500,000	1,432,454
San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. B	5.00	7/1/2051	5,250,000	5,360,147
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2016-XM0387), (Los Angeles Department of Airports, Revenue Bonds (Los Angeles International Airport)) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.46	5/15/2038	6,000,000 ^{c,d,e}	6,015,992

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (continued)

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
California - 8.0% (continued)				
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2016-XM0390), (The Regents of the University of California, Revenue Bonds, Refunding) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.52	5/15/2036	6,260,000 ^{c,d,e}	6,332,717
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2022-XF3024), (San Francisco City & County, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A) Recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.73	5/1/2044	5,280,000 ^{c,d,e}	5,416,603
				25,899,044
Colorado - 4.3%				
Colorado Health Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds (CommonSpirit Health Obligated Group)	5.25	11/1/2052	1,000,000	1,029,914
Colorado Health Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Covenant Living Communities & Services Obligated Group) Ser. A	4.00	12/1/2050	4,000,000	3,273,490
Denver City & County Airport System, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A	5.00	12/1/2048	2,300,000	2,333,774
Dominion Water & Sanitation District, Revenue Bonds, Refunding	5.88	12/1/2052	2,750,000	2,668,963
Sterling Ranch Community Authority Board, Revenue Bonds (Insured; Municipal Government Guaranteed) Ser. A	5.00	12/1/2047	1,250,000	1,275,000
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2020-XM0829), (Colorado Health Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (CommonSpirit Health Obligated Group, Ser. A1)) Recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 4.00	11.63	8/1/2044	3,260,000 ^{c,d,e}	3,420,405
				14,001,546
Connecticut - .9%				
Connecticut, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A	5.00	5/1/2038	1,000,000	1,108,863
Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A1	3.65	11/15/2032	530,000	508,158
University of Connecticut, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A	5.00	5/1/2041	1,290,000	1,414,443
				3,031,464

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
District of Columbia - 4.8%				
Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. B	4.00	10/1/2049	1,000,000	871,730
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2016-XM0437), (District of Columbia, Revenue Bonds) Recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.59	12/1/2035	14,834,680 ^{c,d,e}	14,834,680
				15,706,410
Florida - 8.6%				
Alachua County Health Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds (Shands Teaching Hospital & Clinics Obligated Group)	4.00	12/1/2049	1,600,000	1,418,063
Atlantic Beach, Revenue Bonds (Fleet Landing Project) Ser. A	5.00	11/15/2048	2,500,000	2,429,150
Florida Higher Educational Facilities Financial Authority, Revenue Bonds (Ringling College Project)	5.00	3/1/2049	2,000,000	2,001,931
Greater Orlando Aviation Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A	4.00	10/1/2044	1,500,000	1,388,486
Lee County Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds (Shell Point/Waterside Health Project)	5.00	11/15/2049	1,540,000	1,521,981
Palm Beach County Health Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds (ACTS Retirement-Life Communities Inc. Obligated Group)	5.00	11/15/2045	5,775,000	5,651,387
Palm Beach County Health Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds (Lifespace Communities Inc. Obligated Group) Ser. B	4.00	5/15/2053	2,000,000	1,338,437
Seminole County Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Legacy Pointe at UCF Project)	5.75	11/15/2054	1,000,000	841,204
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2019-XM0782), (Palm Beach County Florida Health Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Baptist Health South Florida Obligated Group)) Recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 4.00	8.77	8/15/2049	5,535,000 ^{c,d,e}	5,064,189
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2020-XF2877), (Greater Orlando Aviation Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A) Recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 4.00	8.71	10/1/2049	4,065,000 ^{c,d,e}	3,696,400

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (continued)

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Florida - 8.6% (continued)				
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2022-XF1385), (Fort Myers FL Utility, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 4.00	7.14	10/1/2044	2,540,000 ^{c,d,e}	2,469,377
				27,820,605
Georgia - 6.5%				
Atlanta Water & Wastewater, Revenue Bonds, Ser. D	3.50	11/1/2028	500,000 ^c	507,832
Georgia Municipal Electric Authority, Revenue Bonds (Plant Vogtle Units 3&4 Project) Ser. A	5.00	7/1/2052	2,500,000	2,512,091
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2016-XM0435), (Private Colleges & Universities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Emory University)) Recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.59	10/1/2043	6,000,000 ^{c,d,e}	6,061,245
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2019-XF2847), (Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia, Revenue Bonds (Plant Vogtle Units 3&4 Project, Ser. A)) Recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.41	1/1/2056	2,720,000 ^{c,d,e}	2,728,356
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2020-XM0825), (Brookhaven Development Authority, Revenue Bonds (Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Ser. A)) Recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 4.00	10.08	7/1/2044	4,220,000 ^{c,d,e}	4,459,610
The Atlanta Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A1	5.25	7/1/2040	1,000,000	1,034,040
The Burke County Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Oglethorpe Power Corp.) Ser. D	4.13	11/1/2045	4,200,000	3,814,072
				21,117,246
Hawaii - .7%				
Hawaii Department of Budget & Finance, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Hawaiian Electric Co.)	4.00	3/1/2037	2,500,000	2,363,719
Illinois - 12.9%				
Chicago Board of Education, GO, Refunding, Ser. A	5.00	12/1/2033	1,250,000	1,251,280
Chicago Board of Education, GO, Refunding, Ser. B	5.00	12/1/2032	400,000	401,601

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Illinois - 12.9% (continued)				
Chicago Board of Education, GO, Refunding, Ser. B	5.00	12/1/2031	500,000	503,614
Chicago II, GO, Refunding, Ser. A	6.00	1/1/2038	3,000,000	3,119,426
Chicago II, GO, Refunding, Ser. C	5.00	1/1/2024	1,265,000	1,275,919
Chicago II, GO, Ser. A	5.00	1/1/2044	3,000,000	2,946,115
Chicago II Wastewater Transmission, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. C	5.00	1/1/2039	2,330,000	2,340,747
Chicago O'Hare International Airport, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A	5.00	1/1/2048	4,000,000	4,057,181
Chicago Transit Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A	5.00	12/1/2057	1,000,000	1,023,610
Chicago Transit Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A	5.00	12/1/2045	1,000,000	1,027,938
Illinois, GO, Refunding, Ser. A	5.00	10/1/2029	1,000,000	1,049,664
Illinois, GO, Ser. A	5.00	5/1/2038	2,850,000	2,904,281
Illinois, GO, Ser. B	5.00	11/1/2030	1,500,000	1,585,415
Illinois, GO, Ser. D	5.00	11/1/2028	3,000,000	3,129,570
Metropolitan Pier & Exposition Authority, Revenue Bonds (McCormick Place Expansion Project)	5.00	6/15/2057	2,500,000	2,491,736
Metropolitan Pier & Exposition Authority, Revenue Bonds (McCormick Place Project) (Insured; National Public Finance Guarantee Corp.) Ser. A	0.00	12/15/2036	2,500,000 ^f	1,300,321
Sales Tax Securitization Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A	4.00	1/1/2039	2,250,000	2,174,068
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2017-XM0492), (Illinois Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (The University of Chicago)) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.52	10/1/2040	9,000,000 ^{c,d,e}	9,406,076
				41,988,562
Indiana - 2.1%				
Indiana Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds (Green Bond)	7.00	3/1/2039	4,425,000 ^c	3,337,000
Indiana Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds (Parkview Health System Obligated Group) Ser. A	5.00	11/1/2043	3,500,000	3,587,495
				6,924,495

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (continued)

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Iowa - 1.9%				
Iowa Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Iowa Fertilizer Co. Project)	5.00	12/1/2050	2,195,000	2,081,100
Iowa Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Lifespace Communities Inc. Obligated Group) Ser. A	4.00	5/15/2053	1,000,000	669,218
Iowa Student Loan Liquidity Corp., Revenue Bonds, Ser. B	5.00	12/1/2032	1,000,000	1,095,997
Iowa Tobacco Settlement Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A2	4.00	6/1/2049	1,400,000	1,181,138
Iowa Tobacco Settlement Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. B1	4.00	6/1/2049	945,000	939,798
				5,967,251
Kentucky - 2.0%				
Christian County, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Jennie Stuart Medical Center Obligated Group)	5.50	2/1/2044	2,800,000	2,851,774
Kentucky Public Energy Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A1	4.00	6/1/2025	2,560,000 ^a	2,544,962
Kentucky Public Energy Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A1	4.00	8/1/2030	1,000,000 ^a	972,551
				6,369,287
Louisiana - 3.2%				
Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities & Community Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Westlake Chemical Project)	3.50	11/1/2032	2,400,000	2,218,766
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2018-XF2584), (Louisiana Public Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds (Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady Health System Project)) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.30	7/1/2047	8,195,000 ^{c,d,e}	8,275,366
				10,494,132
Maryland - 3.1%				
Maryland Economic Development Corp., Revenue Bonds (Green Bond) (Purple Line Transit Partners LLC) Ser. B	5.25	6/30/2052	1,575,000	1,635,528

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Maryland - 3.1% (continued)				
Maryland Health & Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds (Adventist Healthcare Obligated Group) Ser. A	5.50	1/1/2046	3,250,000	3,303,423
Maryland Health & Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Stevenson University Project)	4.00	6/1/2051	1,000,000	841,011
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2016-XM0391), (Mayor & City Council of Baltimore, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Water Projects)) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.52	7/1/2042	4,000,000 ^{c,d,e}	4,101,846
				9,881,808
Massachusetts - 5.7%				
Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (UMass Memorial Health Care Obligated Group) Ser. K	5.00	7/1/2038	2,130,000	2,169,194
Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A	5.00	7/1/2029	1,000,000	1,063,677
Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. G	4.00	7/1/2046	1,250,000	1,111,818
Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. B	5.00	7/1/2030	1,000,000	1,090,933
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2016-XM0386), (University of Massachusetts Building Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.51	5/1/2043	7,409,991 ^{c,d,e}	7,484,945
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2018-XF0610), (Massachusetts Transportation Fund, Revenue Bonds (Rail Enhancement & Accelerated Bridge Programs)) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.82	6/1/2047	5,250,000 ^{c,d,e}	5,526,532
				18,447,099
Michigan - 4.3%				
Great Lakes Water Authority Sewage Disposal System, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. C	5.00	7/1/2036	2,000,000	2,098,164

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (continued)

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Michigan - 4.3% (continued)				
Michigan Building Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding	4.00	10/15/2049	2,500,000	2,412,154
Michigan Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding	4.00	4/15/2042	1,000,000	939,567
Michigan Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Insured; National Public Finance Guarantee Corp.) Ser. D6	5.00	7/1/2036	1,000,000	1,022,511
Michigan Strategic Fund, Revenue Bonds (AMT-I-75 Improvement Project)	5.00	12/31/2043	5,000,000	4,921,142
Pontiac School District, GO	4.00	5/1/2045	2,700,000	2,684,249
				14,077,787
Minnesota - 1.2%				
Duluth Economic Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Essentia Health Obligated Group) Ser. A	5.00	2/15/2058	4,000,000	4,011,419
Missouri - 2.7%				
St. Louis Land Clearance for Redevelopment Authority, Revenue Bonds	5.13	6/1/2046	4,715,000	4,796,190
The Missouri Health & Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds (Lutheran Senior Services Projects) Ser. A	5.00	2/1/2042	1,000,000	974,664
The Missouri Health & Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds (Mercy Health)	4.00	6/1/2053	2,000,000	1,790,286
The Missouri Health & Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Lutheran Senior Services Projects)	5.00	2/1/2046	1,200,000	1,124,846
				8,685,986
Multi-State - .6%				
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. Multifamily Variable Rate Certificates, Revenue Bonds, Ser. M048	3.15	1/15/2036	2,375,000 ^c	2,068,957
Nevada - 2.2%				
Clark County School District, GO (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.) Ser. A	4.25	6/15/2041	2,770,000	2,797,086
Reno, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.)	4.00	6/1/2058	5,000,000	4,447,165
				7,244,251

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
New Hampshire - .4%				
New Hampshire Business Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Springpoint Senior Living Obligated Group)	4.00	1/1/2051	1,500,000	1,187,219
New Jersey - 5.6%				
New Jersey, GO (COVID-19 Emergency Bonds) Ser. A	4.00	6/1/2031	1,100,000	1,165,885
New Jersey Housing & Mortgage Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. D	4.00	10/1/2024	2,370,000	2,384,814
New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority, Revenue Bonds	5.00	6/15/2046	1,365,000	1,390,016
New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority, Revenue Bonds	5.25	6/15/2043	1,500,000	1,558,630
New Jersey Turnpike Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A	4.00	1/1/2048	2,400,000	2,293,342
South Jersey Port Corp., Revenue Bonds, Ser. B	5.00	1/1/2042	2,025,000	2,029,485
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2018-XF2538), (New Jersey Economic Development Authority, Revenue Bonds) Recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.25	13.07	6/15/2040	4,250,000 ^{c,d,e}	4,349,450
Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A	5.25	6/1/2046	1,500,000	1,511,381
Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. B	5.00	6/1/2046	1,670,000	1,616,194
				18,299,197
New York - 7.9%				
Monroe County Industrial Development Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding (University of Rochester Project) Ser. A	4.00	7/1/2050	500,000	468,992
New York Convention Center Development Corp., Revenue Bonds (Hotel Unit Fee) (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.) Ser. B	0.00	11/15/2049	5,600,000 ^f	1,456,190
New York Liberty Development Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Class 1-3 World Trade Center Project)	5.00	11/15/2044	3,400,000 ^c	3,213,711
New York State Dormitory Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Montefiore Obligated Group) Ser. A	4.00	9/1/2045	1,000,000	815,225

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (continued)

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
New York - 7.9% (continued)				
New York Transportation Development Corp., Revenue Bonds (JFK International Air Terminal LLC)	5.00	12/1/2040	1,200,000	1,195,736
New York Transportation Development Corp., Revenue Bonds (JFK International Air Terminal LLC)	5.00	12/1/2042	1,850,000	1,822,590
New York Transportation Development Corp., Revenue Bonds (LaGuardia Airport Terminal B Redevelopment Project) Ser. A	5.25	1/1/2050	3,000,000	3,009,563
New York Transportation Development Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding (JFK International Air Terminal LLC) Ser. A	5.00	12/1/2035	1,100,000	1,117,622
Niagara Area Development Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Covanta Holding Project) Ser. A	4.75	11/1/2042	1,000,000 ^c	904,265
Port Authority of New York & New Jersey, Revenue Bonds, Ser. 221	4.00	7/15/2055	2,250,000	1,971,901
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2022-XM1004), (Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Green Bond) (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp., Ser. C)) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 4.00	5.54	11/15/2047	5,400,000 ^{c,d,e}	4,914,633
Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A1	5.00	5/15/2051	3,235,000	3,438,894
Westchester County Local Development Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Purchase Senior Learning Community Obligated Group)	5.00	7/1/2056	1,500,000 ^c	1,162,570
				25,491,892
North Carolina - .9%				
North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Lutheran Services for the Aging Inc. Obligated Group)	4.00	3/1/2051	2,000,000	1,416,649
North Carolina Turnpike Authority, Revenue Bonds (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.)	4.00	1/1/2055	1,500,000	1,347,588
				2,764,237

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Ohio - 3.7%				
Buckeye Tobacco Settlement Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A2	4.00	6/1/2048	1,250,000	1,089,119
Buckeye Tobacco Settlement Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. B2	5.00	6/1/2055	9,450,000	8,671,577
Centerville, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Graceworks Lutheran Services Obligated Group)	5.25	11/1/2047	1,500,000	1,348,273
Cuyahoga County, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (The MetroHealth System)	5.00	2/15/2052	1,000,000	1,000,845
				12,109,814
Oregon - .6%				
Medford Hospital Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Asante Project) Ser. A	4.00	8/15/2039	1,000,000	981,714
Yamhill County Hospital Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Friendsview Manor Obligated Group) Ser. A	5.00	11/15/2056	1,000,000	775,484
				1,757,198
Pennsylvania - 6.6%				
Allentown School District, GO, Refunding (Insured; Build America Mutual) Ser. B	5.00	2/1/2031	1,510,000	1,677,746
Crawford County Hospital Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Meadville Medical Center Project) Ser. A	6.00	6/1/2046	1,000,000	1,018,635
Franklin County Industrial Development Authority, Revenue Bonds (Menno-Haven Project)	5.00	12/1/2054	1,000,000	795,676
Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Presbyterian Senior Living)	4.00	7/1/2046	1,000,000	827,300
Pennsylvania Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding	5.00	11/1/2033	2,805,000	2,896,224
Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, Revenue Bonds, Ser. B	4.00	12/1/2051	1,500,000	1,339,145
Philadelphia Water & Wastewater, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A	5.00	11/1/2050	1,500,000	1,578,517

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Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Pennsylvania - 6.6% (continued)				
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2022-XF1408), (Pennsylvania State Turnpike Commission, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 4.00	5.65	12/1/2051	10,000,000 ^{c,d,e}	9,434,187
The Philadelphia School District, GO (Insured; State Aid Withholding) Ser. A	4.00	9/1/2039	2,000,000	1,964,774
				21,532,204
Rhode Island - .2%				
Providence Public Building Authority, Revenue Bonds (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.) Ser. A	5.00	9/15/2037	500,000	540,453
South Carolina - 4.0%				
South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority, Revenue Bonds (Bishop Gadsden Episcopal Retirement Community Obligated Group)	5.00	4/1/2054	1,000,000	882,376
South Carolina Public Service Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A	4.00	12/1/2055	2,000,000	1,698,279
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2016-XM0384), (South Carolina Public Service Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Santee Cooper)) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.13	10.15	12/1/2043	10,200,000 ^{c,d,e}	10,239,259
				12,819,914
South Dakota - 1.0%				
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2022-XF1409), (South Dakota Health & Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Avera Health Obligated Group)) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	13.01	7/1/2046	3,200,000 ^{c,d,e}	3,203,587
Tennessee - .9%				
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2016-XM0388), (Metropolitan Government of Nashville & Davidson County, Revenue Bonds, Refunding) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.19	7/1/2040	3,000,000 ^{c,d,e}	3,042,330

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Texas - 12.7%				
Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority, Revenue Bonds	5.00	1/1/2048	2,500,000	2,566,850
Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A	5.00	7/1/2025	600,000 ^g	635,657
Clifton Higher Education Finance Corp., Revenue Bonds (IDEA Public Schools) Ser. A	4.00	8/15/2047	2,000,000	1,829,846
Clifton Higher Education Finance Corp., Revenue Bonds (International Leadership of Texas Inc.) Ser. A	5.75	8/15/2045	2,500,000	2,517,134
Clifton Higher Education Finance Corp., Revenue Bonds (International Leadership of Texas Inc.) Ser. D	6.13	8/15/2048	3,000,000	3,052,220
Clifton Higher Education Finance Corp., Revenue Bonds (Uplift Education) Ser. A	4.50	12/1/2044	2,500,000	2,366,303
Grand Parkway Transportation Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding	4.00	10/1/2045	2,000,000	1,870,288
Harris County-Houston Sports Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.) Ser. A	0.00	11/15/2051	7,500,000 ^f	1,775,189
Love Field Airport Modernization Corp., Revenue Bonds (Southwest Airlines Co. Project)	5.00	11/1/2028	1,000,000	1,001,021
Tarrant County Cultural Education Facilities Finance Corp., Revenue Bonds (Baylor Scott & White Health Obligated Group)	5.00	11/15/2051	1,500,000	1,583,078
Tarrant County Cultural Education Facilities Finance Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding (MRC Stevenson Oaks Project)	6.75	11/15/2051	1,000,000	932,924
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2016-XM0377), (San Antonio, Revenue Bonds) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	12.52	2/1/2043	12,450,000 ^{c,d,e}	12,500,671
Texas Private Activity Bond Surface Transportation Corp., Revenue Bonds (Segment 3C Project)	5.00	6/30/2058	6,150,000	6,109,245
Texas Private Activity Bond Surface Transportation Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding (LBJ Infrastructure Group LLC)	4.00	6/30/2040	1,350,000	1,222,665

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (continued)

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Texas - 12.7% (continued)				
Texas Private Activity Bond Surface Transportation Corp., Revenue Bonds, Refunding (LBJ Infrastructure Group LLC)	4.00	6/30/2039	1,500,000	1,374,706
				41,337,797
U.S. Related - 1.3%				
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A	0.00	7/1/2024	73,499 ^f	67,542
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A	0.00	7/1/2033	284,274 ^f	156,044
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A1	4.00	7/1/2033	220,898	192,477
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A1	4.00	7/1/2037	170,415	142,428
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A1	4.00	7/1/2041	231,699	186,223
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A1	4.00	7/1/2035	198,557	169,331
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A1	4.00	7/1/2046	240,964	186,108
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A1	5.25	7/1/2023	123,351	123,892
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A1	5.38	7/1/2025	246,018	249,570
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A1	5.63	7/1/2027	243,790	249,698
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A1	5.63	7/1/2029	239,835	245,845
Puerto Rico, GO, Ser. A1	5.75	7/1/2031	232,950	239,283
Puerto Rico Highway & Transportation Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.) Ser. CC	5.25	7/1/2034	2,000,000	1,985,273
				4,193,714
Utah - 1.1%				
Salt Lake City, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A	5.00	7/1/2042	1,565,000	1,593,815
Utah Infrastructure Agency, Revenue Bonds, Refunding, Ser. A	5.00	10/15/2037	2,000,000	2,015,115
				3,608,930
Virginia - 5.9%				
Henrico County Economic Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.)	9.26	8/23/2027	3,900,000 ^d	4,544,358
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2018-XM0593), (Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission, Revenue Bonds) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.50	14.86	7/1/2057	7,500,000 ^{c,d,e}	8,510,477
Virginia College Building Authority, Revenue Bonds (Green Bond) (Marymount University Project)	5.00	7/1/2045	1,000,000 ^c	965,114

Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Virginia - 5.9% (continued)				
Virginia Small Business Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds (Transform 66 P3 Project)	5.00	12/31/2052	4,350,000	4,343,095
Virginia Small Business Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (95 Express Lanes LLC)	4.00	1/1/2048	1,000,000	835,829
				19,198,873
Washington - 4.6%				
King County Federal Way School District No. 210, GO (Insured; School Bond Guaranty)	4.00	12/1/2034	2,000,000	2,062,368
Port of Seattle, Revenue Bonds	4.00	4/1/2044	1,000,000	893,100
Tender Option Bond Trust Receipts (Series 2018-XM0680), (Washington Convention Center Public Facilities District, Revenue Bonds) Non-recourse, Underlying Coupon Rate (%) 5.00	7.27	7/1/2058	10,000,000 ^{c,d,e}	9,795,172
Washington Higher Education Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds (Seattle University Project)	4.00	5/1/2050	1,200,000	1,071,285
Washington Housing Finance Commission, Revenue Bonds (Transforming Age Project) Ser. A	5.00	1/1/2055	1,465,000 ^c	1,141,235
				14,963,160
Wisconsin - 3.7%				
Public Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds (Appalachian State University Project) (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.) Ser. A	4.00	7/1/2055	1,750,000	1,481,539
Public Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds (CHF - Wilmington LLC) (Insured; Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.)	5.00	7/1/2058	3,665,000	3,719,090
Public Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds (EMU Campus Living LLC) (Insured; Build America Mutual) Ser. A1	5.50	7/1/2052	1,500,000	1,570,958
Public Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds (EMU Campus Living LLC) (Insured; Build America Mutual) Ser. A1	5.63	7/1/2055	1,650,000	1,730,808
Public Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds (Gannon University Project)	5.00	5/1/2042	750,000	746,350

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Description	Coupon Rate (%)	Maturity Date	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Long-Term Municipal Investments - 148.9% (continued)				
Wisconsin - 3.7% (continued)				
Public Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (Mary's Woods at Marylhurst Project)	5.25	5/15/2042	750,000 ^c	672,435
Public Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Ser. A	5.00	10/1/2052	1,000,000	1,035,649
Wisconsin Health & Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Refunding (St. Camillus Health System Obligated Group)	5.00	11/1/2054	1,250,000	1,020,327
				11,977,156
Total Long-Term Municipal Investments (cost \$507,721,426)				483,514,434
Total Investments (cost \$509,070,888)			149.3%	484,698,594
Liabilities, Less Cash and Receivables			(34.1%)	(110,735,394)
Preferred Stock, at redemption value			(15.2%)	(49,300,000)
Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders			100.0%	324,663,200

^a These securities have a put feature; the date shown represents the put date and the bond holder can take a specific action to retain the bond after the put date.

^b Zero coupon until a specified date at which time the stated coupon rate becomes effective until maturity.

^c Security exempt from registration pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers. At November 30, 2022, these securities were valued at \$189,837,158 or 58.47% of net assets.

^d The Variable Rate shall be determined by the Remarketing Agent in its sole discretion based on prevailing market conditions and may, but need not, be established by reference to one or more financial indices.

^e Collateral for floating rate borrowings. The coupon rate given represents the current interest rate for the inverse floating rate security.

^f Security issued with a zero coupon. Income is recognized through the accretion of discount.

^g These securities are prerefunded; the date shown represents the prerefunded date. Bonds which are prerefunded are collateralized by U.S. Government securities which are held in escrow and are used to pay principal and interest on the municipal issue and to retire the bonds in full at the earliest refunding date.

Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) †	Value (%)
General	25.7
Transportation	19.1
Education	19.1
Medical	17.5
Nursing Homes	12.4
Airport	11.4
Water	8.0
Power	6.5
General Obligation	6.0
Development	5.7
Tobacco Settlement	4.6
School District	4.1
Utilities	3.8
Housing	2.6
Multifamily Housing	1.0
Single Family Housing	.9
Student Loan	.7
Prerefunded	.2
	149.3

† Based on net assets.
See notes to financial statements.

Summary of Abbreviations (Unaudited)

ABAG	Association of Bay Area Governments	AGC	ACE Guaranty Corporation
AGIC	Asset Guaranty Insurance Company	AMBAC	American Municipal Bond Assurance Corporation
BAN	Bond Anticipation Notes	BSBY	Bloomberg Short-Term Bank Yield Index
CIFG	CDC Ixis Financial Guaranty	COP	Certificate of Participation
CP	Commercial Paper	DRIVERS	Derivative Inverse Tax-Exempt Receipts
EFFR	Effective Federal Funds Rate	FGIC	Financial Guaranty Insurance Company
FHA	Federal Housing Administration	FHLB	Federal Home Loan Bank
FHLMC	Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	FNMA	Federal National Mortgage Association
GAN	Grant Anticipation Notes	GIC	Guaranteed Investment Contract
GNMA	Government National Mortgage Association	GO	General Obligation
IDC	Industrial Development Corporation	LIBOR	London Interbank Offered Rate
LOC	Letter of Credit	LR	Lease Revenue
NAN	Note Anticipation Notes	MFHR	Multi-Family Housing Revenue
MFMR	Multi-Family Mortgage Revenue	MUNIPSA	Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association Municipal Swap Index Yield
OBFR	Overnight Bank Funding Rate	PILOT	Payment in Lieu of Taxes
PRIME	Prime Lending Rate	PUTTERS	Puttable Tax-Exempt Receipts
RAC	Revenue Anticipation Certificates	RAN	Revenue Anticipation Notes
RIB	Residual Interest Bonds	SFHR	Single Family Housing Revenue
SFMR	Single Family Mortgage Revenue	SOFR	Secured Overnight Financing Rate
TAN	Tax Anticipation Notes	TRAN	Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes
U.S. T-BILL	U.S. Treasury Bill Money Market Yield	XLCA	XL Capital Assurance

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

November 30, 2022

	Cost	Value
Assets (\$):		
Investments in securities—See Statement of Investments	509,070,888	484,698,594
Cash		333,817
Interest receivable		7,661,541
Prepaid expenses		16,605
		492,710,557
Liabilities (\$):		
Due to BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. and affiliates—Note 2(b)		196,130
Payable for inverse floater notes issued—Note 3		116,414,671
Dividends payable to Common Shareholders		1,087,430
Interest and expense payable related to inverse floater notes issued—Note 3		865,347
Directors' fees and expenses payable		33,340
Dividends payable to Preferred Shareholders		20,716
Commissions payable—Note 1		4,500
Other accrued expenses		125,223
		118,747,357
Auction Preferred Stock, Series A, B and C, par value \$.001 per share (1,972 shares issued and outstanding at \$25,000 per share liquidation value)—Note 1		49,300,000
Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders (\$)		324,663,200
Composition of Net Assets (\$):		
Common Stock, par value, \$.001 per share (49,428,691 shares issued and outstanding)		49,429
Paid-in capital		368,386,722
Total distributable earnings (loss)		(43,772,951)
Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders (\$)		324,663,200
Shares Outstanding		
(110 million shares authorized)		49,428,691
Net Asset Value Per Share of Common Stock (\$)		6.57

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended November 30, 2022

Investment Income (\$):	
Interest Income	21,584,398
Expenses:	
Management fee—Note 2(a)	2,026,042
Interest and expense related to inverse floater notes issued—Note 3	1,984,732
Administration fee—Note 2(a)	1,013,021
Professional fees	118,012
Directors' fees and expenses—Note 2(c)	85,465
Commission fees—Note 1	84,062
Prospectus and shareholders' reports	61,936
Registration fees	44,135
Shareholder servicing costs	19,691
Chief Compliance Officer fees—Note 2(b)	10,216
Custodian fees—Note 2(b)	1,698
Miscellaneous	37,915
Total Expenses	5,486,925
Less—reduction in expenses due to undertaking—Note 2(a)	(405,292)
Less—reduction in fees due to earnings credits—Note 2(b)	(676)
Net Expenses	5,080,957
Net Investment Income	16,503,441
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments—Note 3 (\$):	
Net realized gain (loss) on investments	(12,630,458)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments	(75,322,418)
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments	(87,952,876)
Dividends to Preferred Shareholders	(810,577)
Net (Decrease) in Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders Resulting from Operations	(72,260,012)

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year Ended November 30, 2022

Cash Flows from Operating Activities (\$):		
Purchases of portfolio securities	(146,000,774)	
Proceeds from sales of portfolio securities	168,213,657	
Dividends paid to Preferred Shareholders	(790,669)	
Interest income received	22,050,244	
Interest and expense related to inverse floater notes issued	(1,516,991)	
Expenses paid to BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. and affiliates	(2,699,018)	
Operating expenses paid	(429,517)	
Net Cash Provided (or Used) in Operating Activities		38,826,932
Cash Flows from Financing Activities (\$):		
Dividends paid to Common Shareholders	(16,251,226)	
Decrease in payable for inverse floater notes issued	(22,290,000)	
Net Cash Provided (or Used) in Financing Activities		(38,541,226)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash		285,706
Cash at beginning of period		48,111
Cash at End of Period		333,817
Reconciliation of Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders Resulting from Operations to Net Cash Provided (or Used) in Operating Activities (\$):		
Net (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting From Operations		(72,260,012)
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders Resulting from Operations to Net Cash Provided (or Used) in Operating Activities (\$):		
Decrease in investments in securities at cost		34,843,341
Decrease in interest receivable		465,846
Increase in prepaid expenses		(3,978)
Decrease in Due to BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. and affiliates		(54,009)
Increase in interest and expense payable related to inverse floater notes issued		467,741
Increase in dividends payable to Preferred Shareholders		19,908
Increase in Directors' fees and expenses payable		30,667
Decrease in commissions payable and other accrued expenses		(4,990)
Net change in unrealized (appreciation) depreciation on investments		75,322,418
Net Cash Provided (or Used) in Operating Activities		38,826,932
Supplemental Disclosure Cash Flow Information (\$):		
Non-cash financing activities:		
Reinvestment of dividends		60,028

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Year Ended November 30,	
	2022	2021
Operations (\$):		
Net investment income	16,503,441	18,221,657
Net realized gain (loss) on investments	(12,630,458)	(936,258)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments	(75,322,418)	7,729,741
Dividends to Preferred Shareholders	(810,577)	(50,742)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders Resulting from Operations	(72,260,012)	24,964,398
Distributions (\$):		
Distributions to Common Shareholders	(17,398,684)	(17,791,743)
Capital Stock Transactions (\$):		
Distributions reinvested	60,028	-
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Capital Stock Transactions	60,028	-
Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders	(89,598,668)	7,172,655
Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders (\$):		
Beginning of Period	414,261,868	407,089,213
End of Period	324,663,200	414,261,868
Capital Share Transactions (Common Shares):		
Shares issued for distributions reinvested	7,180	-

See notes to financial statements.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following table describes the performance for the fiscal periods indicated. Market price total return is calculated assuming an initial investment made at the market price at the beginning of the period, reinvestment of all dividends and distributions at market price during the period, and sale at the market price on the last day of the period. These figures have been derived from the fund's financial statements, and with respect to common stock, market price data for the fund's common shares.

	Year Ended November 30,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Per Share Data (\$):					
Net asset value, beginning of period	8.38	8.24	8.30	7.91	8.29
Investment Operations:					
Net investment income ^a	.33	.37	.40	.41	.47
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(1.77)	.13	(.09)	.43	(.43)
Dividends to Preferred Shareholders from net investment income	(.02)	(.00) ^b	(.01)	(.03)	(.03)
Total from Investment Operations	(1.46)	.50	.30	.81	.01
Distributions to Common Shareholders:					
Dividends from net investment income	(.35)	(.36)	(.36)	(.42)	(.43)
Net asset value resulting from Auction Preferred Stock tender as a discount	-	-	-	-	.04
Net asset value, end of period	6.57	8.38	8.24	8.30	7.91
Market value, end of period	5.92	8.24	7.66	8.19	7.13
Market Price Total Return (%)	(24.21)	12.46	(1.87)	21.12	(10.14)

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

	Year Ended November 30,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):					
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets applicable to Common Stock ^c	1.54	1.20	1.56	1.86	1.73
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets applicable to Common Stock ^c	1.43	1.09	1.44	1.75	1.62
Ratio of interest and expense related to floating rate notes issued to average net assets applicable to Common Stock ^c	.56	.25	.60	.90	.72
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets applicable to Common Stock ^c	4.64	4.39	4.98	5.05	5.78
Ratio of total expenses to total average net assets	1.35	1.07	1.38	1.66	1.51
Ratio of net expenses to total average net assets	1.25	.97	1.28	1.56	1.41
Ratio of interest and expense related to floating rate notes issued to total average net assets	.49	.23	.53	.80	.63
Ratio of net investment income to total average net assets	4.07	3.92	4.43	4.50	5.02
Portfolio Turnover Rate	30.58	9.10	26.56	41.28	24.57
Asset Coverage of Preferred Stock, end of period	759	940	926	932	892
Net Assets, applicable to Common Shareholders, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	324,663	414,262	407,089	409,972	390,350
Preferred Stock Outstanding, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	49,300	49,300	49,300	49,300	49,300
Floating Rate Notes Outstanding, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	116,415	138,705	152,185	182,074	162,357

^a Based on average common shares outstanding.

^b Amount represents less than \$.01 per share.

^c Does not reflect the effect of dividends to Preferred Shareholders.

See notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1—Significant Accounting Policies:

BNY Mellon Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc. (the “fund”), which is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Act”), is a diversified closed-end management investment company. The fund’s investment objective is to seek to maximize current income exempt from federal income tax to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital. BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. (the “Adviser”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation (“BNY Mellon”), serves as the fund’s investment adviser. Insight North America LLC (the “Sub-Adviser”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of BNY Mellon and an affiliate of the Adviser, serves as the fund’s sub-adviser. The fund’s Common Stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange (the “NYSE”) under the ticker symbol DSM.

The fund has outstanding 698 Series A shares, 662 Series B shares and 612 Series C shares, Auction Preferred Stock (“APS”), with a liquidation preference of \$25,000 per share (plus an amount equal to accumulated but unpaid dividends upon liquidation). APS dividend rates are determined pursuant to periodic auctions or by reference to a market rate. Deutsche Bank Trust Company America, as the Auction Agent, receives a fee from the fund for its services in connection with such auctions. The fund also compensates broker-dealers generally at an annual rate of .15%-.25% of the purchase price of shares of APS.

The fund is subject to certain restrictions relating to the APS. Failure to comply with these restrictions could preclude the fund from declaring any distributions to shareholders of Common Stock (“Common Shareholders”) or repurchasing shares of Common Stock and/or could trigger the mandatory redemption of APS at liquidation value. Thus, redemptions of APS may be deemed to be outside of the control of the fund.

The holders of APS, voting as a separate class, have the right to elect at least two directors. The holders of APS will vote as a separate class on certain other matters, as required by law. The fund’s Board of Directors (the “Board”) has designated Joni Evans and Robin A. Melvin as directors to be elected by the holders of APS.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) is the exclusive reference of authoritative U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) under authority of federal laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC

registrants. The fund is an investment company and applies the accounting and reporting guidance of the FASB ASC Topic 946 Financial Services-Investment Companies. The fund's financial statements are prepared in accordance with GAAP, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The fund does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.

(a) Portfolio valuation: The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e., the exit price). GAAP establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs of valuation techniques used to measure fair value. This hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

Additionally, GAAP provides guidance on determining whether the volume and activity in a market has decreased significantly and whether such a decrease in activity results in transactions that are not orderly. GAAP requires enhanced disclosures around valuation inputs and techniques used during annual and interim periods.

Various inputs are used in determining the value of the fund's investments relating to fair value measurements. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

Level 1—unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical investments.

Level 2—other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

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 necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

Changes in valuation techniques may result in transfers in or out of an assigned level within the disclosure hierarchy. Valuation techniques used to value the fund's investments are as follows:

The Board has designated Adviser as the fund's valuation designee, effective September 8, 2022, to make all fair value determinations with respect to the fund's portfolio investments, subject to the Board's oversight and pursuant to Rule 2a-5 under the Act.

Investments in municipal securities are valued each business day by an independent pricing service (the "Service") approved by the Board. Investments for which quoted bid prices are readily available and are representative of the bid side of the market in the judgment of the Service are valued at the mean between the quoted bid prices (as obtained by the Service from dealers in such securities) and asked prices (as calculated by the Service based upon its evaluation of the market for such securities). Municipal investments (which constitute a majority of the portfolio securities) are carried at fair value as determined by the Service, based on methods which include consideration of the following: yields or prices of municipal securities of comparable quality, coupon, maturity and type; indications as to values from dealers; and general market conditions. The Service is engaged under the general oversight of the Board. All of the preceding securities are generally categorized within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

When market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to accurately reflect fair value, such as when the value of a security has been significantly affected by events after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded, but before the fund calculates its net asset value, the fund may value these investments at fair value as determined in accordance with the procedures approved by the Board. Certain factors may be considered when fair valuing investments such as: fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold, and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. These securities are either categorized within Level 2 or 3 of the fair value hierarchy depending on the relevant inputs used.

For securities where observable inputs are limited, assumptions about market activity and risk are used and such securities are generally categorized within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of November 30, 2022 in valuing the fund's investments:

of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). To the extent that net realized capital gains can be offset by capital loss carryovers, it is the policy of the fund not to distribute such gains. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from GAAP.

Common Shareholders will have their distributions reinvested in additional shares of the fund, unless such Common Shareholders elect to receive cash, at the lower of the market price or net asset value per share (but not less than 95% of the market price). If market price is equal to or exceeds net asset value, shares will be issued at net asset value. If net asset value exceeds market price, Computershare Inc., the transfer agent for the fund’s Common Stock, will buy fund shares in the open market and reinvest those shares accordingly.

On November 29, 2022, the Board declared a cash dividend of \$.022 per share from net investment income, payable on December 30, 2022 to Common shareholders of record as of the close of business on December 14, 2022. The ex-dividend date was December 13, 2022.

(e) Dividends and distributions to shareholders of APS: Dividends, which are cumulative, are generally reset every seven days for each series of APS pursuant to a process specified in related fund charter documents. Dividend rates as of November 30, 2022, for each series of APS were as follows: Series A-4.304%, Series B-4.404% and Series C-4.304%. These rates reflect the “maximum rates” under the governing instruments as a result of “failed auctions” in which sufficient clearing bids are not received. The average dividend rates for the period ended November 30, 2022 for each series of APS were as follows: Series A-1.651%, Series B-1.650% and Series C-1.630%.

(f) Federal income taxes: It is the policy of the fund to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, which can distribute tax-exempt dividends, by complying with the applicable provisions of the Code, and to make distributions of income and net realized capital gain sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.

As of and during the period ended November 30, 2022, the fund did not have any liabilities for any uncertain tax positions. The fund recognizes interest and penalties, if any, related to uncertain tax positions as income tax expense in the Statement of Operations. During the period ended November 30, 2022, the fund did not incur any interest or penalties.

Each tax year in the four-year period ended November 30, 2022 remains subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service and state taxing authorities.

At November 30, 2022, the components of accumulated earnings on a tax basis were as follows: undistributed tax-exempt income \$2,518,726, accumulated capital losses \$21,258,601 and unrealized depreciation \$23,924,930.

The fund is permitted to carry forward capital losses for an unlimited period. Furthermore, capital loss carryovers retain their character as either short-term or long-term capital losses.

The accumulated capital loss carryover is available for federal income tax purposes to be applied against future net realized capital gains, if any, realized subsequent to November 30, 2022. The fund has \$14,677,345 of short-term capital losses and \$6,581,256 of long-term capital losses which can be carried forward for an unlimited period.

The tax character of distributions paid to Common Shareholders during the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and November 30, 2021 were as follows: tax-exempt income \$18,209,261 and \$17,842,485, respectively.

(g) New accounting pronouncements: In 2020, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2020-04, Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848): Facilitation of the Effects of Reference Rate Reform on Financial Reporting, which provides optional guidance to ease the potential burden in accounting for (or recognizing the effects of) reference rate reform on financial reporting.

The objective of the guidance in Topic 848 is to provide temporary relief during the transition period. The FASB included a sunset provision within Topic 848 based on expectations of when the LIBOR would cease being published. At the time that Update 2020-04 was issued, the UK Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) had established its intent that it would no longer be necessary to persuade, or compel, banks to submit to LIBOR after December 31, 2021. As a result, the sunset provision was set for December 31, 2022—12 months after the expected cessation date of all currencies and tenors of LIBOR.

In March 2021, the FCA announced that the intended cessation date of the overnight 1-, 3-, 6-, and 12-month tenors of USD LIBOR would be June 30, 2023, which is beyond the current sunset date of Topic 848.

Because the current relief in Topic 848 may not cover a period of time during which a significant number of modifications may take place, the amendments in this Update defer the sunset date of Topic 848 from December 31, 2022, to December 31, 2024 (“FASB Sunset Date”), after which entities will no longer be permitted to apply the relief in Topic 848.

Management had evaluated the impact of Topic 848 on the fund's investments, derivatives, debt and other contracts that will undergo reference rate-related modifications as a result of the Reference Rate Reform. Management has no concerns in adopting Topic 848 by FASB Sunset Date. Management will continue to work with other financial institutions and counterparties to modify contracts as required by applicable regulation and within the regulatory deadlines. As of November 30, 2022, management believes these accounting standards have no impact on the fund and does not have any concerns of adopting the regulations by FASB Sunset Date.

NOTE 2—Management Fee, Sub-Advisory Fee, Administration Fee, and Other Transactions with Affiliates:

(a) Pursuant to an investment advisory agreement with the Adviser, the management fee is computed at the annual rate of .50% of the value of the fund's average weekly net assets, inclusive of the outstanding APS, and is payable monthly. The fund also has an administration agreement with the Adviser and a custody agreement with The Bank of New York Mellon (the "Custodian"), a subsidiary of BNY Mellon and an affiliate of the Adviser. The fund pays in the aggregate for administration, custody and transfer agency services, a monthly fee based on an annual rate of .25% of the value of the fund's average weekly net assets, inclusive of the outstanding APS. All out-of-pocket transfer agency and custody expenses, including custody transaction expenses, are paid separately by the fund.

The Adviser has undertaken, from December 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023, to waive receipt of a portion of the fund's management fee, in the amount of .10% of the value of the fund's average weekly net assets (including net assets representing APS outstanding). The reduction in expenses, pursuant to the undertaking, amounted to \$405,292 during the period ended November 30, 2022.

Pursuant to a sub-investment advisory agreement between the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser, the Adviser pays the Sub-Adviser a monthly fee at an annual rate of .24% of the value of the fund's average weekly net assets, (including net assets representing APS outstanding).

(b) The fund has an arrangement with the Custodian whereby the fund may receive earnings credits when positive cash balances are maintained, which are used to offset custody fees. For financial reporting purposes, the fund includes net earnings credits as an expense offset in the Statement of Operations.

The fund compensates the Custodian under a custody agreement for providing custodial services for the fund. These fees are determined based

on transaction activity. During the period ended November 30, 2022, the fund was charged \$1,698 for out-of-pocket and custody transaction expenses, pursuant to the custody agreement. These fees were partially offset by earnings credits of \$676.

During the period ended November 30, 2022, the fund was charged \$10,216 for services performed by the fund's Chief Compliance Officer and his staff. These fees are included in Chief Compliance Officer fees in the Statement of Operations.

The components of "Due to BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. and affiliates" in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities consist of: management fee of \$148,859, Administration fee of \$74,430, Custodian fees of \$912 and Chief Compliance Officer fees of \$1,633, which are offset against an expense reimbursement currently in effect in the amount of \$29,704.

(c) Each Board Member also serves as a Board Member of other funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets.

NOTE 3—Securities Transactions:

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales (including paydowns) of investment securities, excluding short-term securities, during the period ended November 30, 2022, amounted to \$125,156,558 and \$122,765,378, respectively.

Inverse Floater Securities: The fund participates in secondary inverse floater structures in which fixed-rate, tax-exempt municipal bonds are transferred to a trust (the "Inverse Floater Trust"). The Inverse Floater Trust typically issues two variable rate securities that are collateralized by the cash flows of the fixed-rate, tax-exempt municipal bonds. One of these variable rate securities pays interest based on a short-term floating rate set by a remarketing agent at predetermined intervals ("Trust Certificates"). A residual interest tax-exempt security is also created by the Inverse Floater Trust, which is transferred to the fund, and is paid interest based on the remaining cash flows of the Inverse Floater Trust, after payment of interest on the other securities and various expenses of the Inverse Floater Trust. An Inverse Floater Trust may be collapsed without the consent of the fund due to certain termination events such as bankruptcy, default or other credit event.

The fund accounts for the transfer of bonds to the Inverse Floater Trust as secured borrowings, with the securities transferred remaining in the fund's investments, and the Trust Certificates reflected as fund liabilities in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The fund may invest in inverse floater securities on either a non-recourse or recourse basis. These securities are typically supported by a liquidity facility provided by a bank or other financial institution (the “Liquidity Provider”) that allows the holders of the Trust Certificates to tender their certificates in exchange for payment from the Liquidity Provider of par plus accrued interest on any business day prior to a termination event. When the fund invests in inverse floater securities on a non-recourse basis, the Liquidity Provider is required to make a payment under the liquidity facility due to a termination event to the holders of the Trust Certificates. When this occurs, the Liquidity Provider typically liquidates all or a portion of the municipal securities held in the Inverse Floater Trust. A liquidation shortfall occurs if the Trust Certificates exceed the proceeds of the sale of the bonds in the Inverse Floater Trust (“Liquidation Shortfall”). When a fund invests in inverse floater securities on a recourse basis, the fund typically enters into a reimbursement agreement with the Liquidity Provider where the fund is required to repay the Liquidity Provider the amount of any Liquidation Shortfall. As a result, a fund investing in a recourse inverse floater security bears the risk of loss with respect to any Liquidation Shortfall.

The average amount of borrowings outstanding under the inverse floater structure during the period ended November 30, 2022 was approximately \$122,693,246, with a related weighted average annualized interest rate of 1.62%.

At November 30, 2022, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was \$392,208,853; accordingly, accumulated net unrealized depreciation on investments was \$23,924,930, consisting of \$5,841,837 gross unrealized appreciation and \$29,766,767 gross unrealized depreciation.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Shareholders and the Board of Directors of BNY Mellon Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of BNY Mellon Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc. (the “Fund”), including the statement of investments, as of November 30, 2022, and the related statements of operations and cash flows for the year then ended, the statements 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 at November 30, 2022, the results of its operations and its cash flows 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 Fund’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 Fund 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 the 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 Fund is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of the Fund’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 Fund’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 November 30, 2022, by correspondence with the custodian, brokers and others; when replies were not received from brokers and 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 investment companies in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds since at least 1957, but we are unable to determine the specific year.

New York, New York
January 23, 2023

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Dividend Reinvestment Plan

Under the fund's Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the "Plan"), a Common Shareholder who has fund shares registered in his or her name will have all dividends and distributions reinvested automatically by Computershare Trust Company, N.A., as Plan administrator (the "Administrator"), in additional shares of the fund at the lower of prevailing market price or net asset value (but not less than 95% of market value at the time of valuation) unless such Common Shareholder elects to receive cash as provided below. If market price is equal to or exceeds net asset value, shares will be issued at net asset value. If net asset value exceeds market price or if a cash dividend only is declared, the Administrator, as agent for the Plan participants, will buy fund shares in the open market. A Plan participant is not relieved of any income tax that may be payable on such dividends or distributions.

A Common Shareholder who owns fund shares registered in nominee name through his or her broker/dealer (i.e., in "street name") may not participate in the Plan, but may elect to have cash dividends and distributions reinvested by his or her broker/dealer in additional shares of the fund if such service is provided by the broker/dealer; otherwise such dividends and distributions will be treated like any other cash dividend.

A Common Shareholder who has fund shares registered in his or her name may elect to withdraw from the Plan at any time for a \$5.00 fee and thereby elect to receive cash in lieu of shares of the fund. Changes in elections must be in writing, sent to The Bank of New York Mellon, c/o Computershare Inc., P.O. Box 30170, College Station, TX 77842-3170, should include the Common Shareholder's name and address as they appear on the Administrator's records and will be effective only if received more than fifteen days prior to the record date for any distribution.

The Administrator maintains all Common Shareholder accounts in the Plan and furnishes written confirmations of all transactions in the account. Shares in the account of each Plan participant will be held by the Administrator in non-certificated form in the name of the participant, and each such participant's proxy will include those shares purchased pursuant to the Plan.

The fund pays the Administrator's fee for reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Plan participants pay a pro rata share of brokerage commissions incurred with respect to the Administrator's open market purchases in connection with the reinvestment of dividends or distributions.

The fund reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plan as applied to any dividend or distribution paid subsequent to written notice of the change sent to Plan participants at least 90 days before the record date for such dividend or distribution. The Plan also may be amended or terminated by the Administrator on at least 90 days' written notice to Plan participants.

Level Distribution Policy

The fund's dividend policy is to distribute substantially all of its net investment income to its shareholders on a monthly basis. In order to provide shareholders with a more consistent yield to the current trading price of shares of Common Stock of the fund, the fund may at

times pay out less than the entire amount of net investment income earned in any particular month and may at times in any month pay out such accumulated but undistributed income in addition to net investment income earned in that month. As a result, the dividends paid by the fund for any particular month may be more or less than the amount of net investment income earned by the fund during such month.

Investment Objective and Principal Investment Strategies

Investment Objective. The fund's investment objective is to maximize current income exempt from federal income tax to the extent believed by the Adviser to be consistent with the preservation of capital. The fund's investment objective is fundamental and may not be changed without the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority (as defined in the Act) of the fund's outstanding voting securities. No assurance can be given that the fund will achieve its investment objective.

Fundamental Investment Policy. The fund ordinarily invests all of its net assets in municipal obligations that provide income exempt from federal personal income tax, and has adopted a fundamental investment policy to invest, under normal market conditions, at least 80% of its net assets in municipal obligations. As with the fund's investment objective, this investment policy may not be changed without the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority (as defined in the Act) of the fund's outstanding voting securities.

Municipal obligations are debt obligations issued by states, territories and possessions of the United States and the District of Columbia and their political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, or multi-state agencies or authorities, that provide income exempt from federal income tax. Municipal obligations are classified as general obligation bonds, revenue bonds and notes. General obligation bonds are secured by the issuer's pledge of its faith, credit and taxing power for the payment of principal and interest. Revenue bonds are payable from the revenue derived from a particular facility or class of facilities or, in some cases, from the proceeds of a special excise or other specific revenue source, but not from the general taxing power. Notes are short term instruments which are obligations of the issuing municipalities or agencies and are sold in anticipation of a bond sale, collection of taxes or receipt of other revenues. The fund may purchase floating and variable rate obligations, municipal derivatives, such as custodial receipt programs created by financial intermediaries, tender option bonds, and participations in municipal obligations.

Non-Fundamental Investment Policies. Under normal market conditions, the fund invests at least 80% of its net assets in municipal obligations considered investment grade by Moody's, S&P or Fitch or the unrated equivalent as determined by the Sub-Adviser in the case of bonds, and in the two highest rating categories of Moody's, S&P or Fitch or the unrated equivalent as determined by the Sub-Adviser in the case of short term obligations having or deemed to have maturities of less than one year. The fund may invest the remainder of its assets in municipal obligations considered below investment grade by Moody's, S&P and Fitch, including those rated no lower than C, but it currently is the intention of the fund to invest such remainder of its assets

primarily in bonds rated no lower than Ba by Moody's and BB by S&P and Fitch. Bonds rated below investment grade and short term obligations rated below the two highest rating categories of Moody's, S&P and Fitch will be purchased only if the Sub-Adviser determines that the purchase is consistent with the fund's investment objective. Investment grade bonds are those rated in the four highest rating categories of Moody's, S&P or Fitch. The fund also may invest in taxable investments to the extent and of the quality described below. At least 65% of the value of the fund's net assets (except when maintaining a temporary defensive position) will be invested in bonds and debentures.

Under normal market conditions, the weighted average maturity of the fund's portfolio is expected to exceed ten years. The fund emphasizes investments in municipal obligations with long term maturities, but the degree of such emphasis depends upon market conditions existing at the time of investment. Under normal market conditions, long term municipal obligations generally provide a higher yield than short term municipal obligations. The fund, however, may invest in short term municipal obligations when their yields are greater than yields available on long term municipal obligations and for temporary defensive purposes.

From time to time, the fund may invest more than 25% of the value of its total assets in industrial development bonds which, although issued by industrial development authorities, may be backed only by the assets and revenues of the non-governmental users. Interest on certain municipal obligations (including certain industrial development bonds) which are specific private activity bonds, while exempt from federal income tax, is a preference item for the purpose of the federal alternative minimum tax. If the fund, as a regulated investment company, receives such interest, a proportionate share of any exempt-interest dividend paid by the fund will be treated as a preference item to an investor. The fund may invest without limitation in such municipal obligations if the Adviser determines that their purchase is consistent with the fund's investment objective.

Taxable Investments and other Investment Techniques.

The fund may employ, among others, the investment techniques described below. Use of certain of these techniques may give rise to taxable income.

Temporary Investments. From time to time, on a temporary basis other than for temporary defensive purposes (but not to exceed 20% of the fund's net assets) or for temporary defensive purposes without limitation, the fund may invest in taxable short term investments ("Taxable Investments") consisting of: notes of issuers having, at the time of purchase, a quality rating within the two highest grades of Moody's, S&P or Fitch; obligations of the U.S. Government, its agencies or instrumentalities; commercial paper rated at least P-2 by Moody's or at least A-2 by S&P or Fitch; certificates of deposit of U.S. domestic banks, including foreign branches of domestic banks, with assets of \$1 billion or more; bankers' acceptances; time deposits; and repurchase agreements in respect of any of the foregoing. Dividends paid by the fund that are attributable to interest earned from Taxable Investments will be taxable to investors. Under normal

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market conditions, the fund anticipates that not more than 5% of its total assets will be invested in any of the foregoing categories of Taxable Investments.

When-Issued Securities. New issues of municipal obligations usually are offered on a when-issued basis, which means that delivery and payment for such municipal obligations normally take place within 35 days after the date of the commitment to purchase. The payment obligation and the interest rate that will be received on the municipal obligations are fixed at the time the buyer enters into the commitment. The fund will make commitments to purchase such municipal obligations only with the intention of actually acquiring the securities, but the fund may sell these securities before the settlement date if it is deemed advisable, although any gain realized on such sale would be taxable. The fund will not accrue income with respect to a when-issued security before its stated delivery date. No additional when-issued commitments will be made if more than 20% of the fund's net assets would be so committed.

Stand-By Commitments. The fund may acquire "stand-by commitments" with respect to municipal obligations held in its portfolio. Under a stand-by commitment the fund obligates a broker, dealer or bank to repurchase, at the fund's option, specified securities at a specified price and, in this respect, stand-by commitments are comparable to put options. The exercise of a stand-by commitment, therefore, is subject to the ability of the seller to make payment on demand. The fund will acquire stand-by commitments solely to facilitate portfolio liquidity and does not intend to exercise its rights thereunder for trading purposes. The fund anticipates that stand-by commitments will be available from brokers, dealers and banks without the payment of any direct or indirect consideration. The fund may pay for stand-by commitments if such action is deemed necessary, thus increasing to a degree the cost of the underlying municipal obligation and similarly decreasing such security's yield to investors.

Inverse Floating Rate Securities. The fund may invest in residual interest municipal obligations whose interest rates bear an inverse relationship to the interest rate on another security or the value of an index ("inverse floaters"). An investment in inverse floaters may involve greater risk than an investment in a fixed-rate bond. Because changes in the interest rate on the other security or index inversely affect the residual interest paid on the inverse floater, the value of an inverse floater is generally more volatile than that of a fixed-rate bond. Inverse floaters have interest rate adjustment formulas which generally reduce or, in the extreme, eliminate the interest paid to the fund when short term interest rates rise, and increase the interest paid to the fund when short term interest rates fall. Inverse floaters have varying degrees of liquidity, and the market for these securities is relatively volatile. These securities tend to underperform the market for fixed-rate bonds in a rising interest rate environment, but tend to outperform the market for fixed-rate bonds when interest rates decline. Shifts in long term interest rates may, however, alter this tendency. Although volatile, inverse floaters typically offer the potential for yields exceeding the yields available on fixed-rate bonds with comparable credit quality, coupon, call provisions and maturity. These securities usually permit the investor to convert the floating-rate to a fixed-rate (normally adjusted

downward), and this optional conversion feature may provide a partial hedge against rising rates if exercised at an opportune time.

Use of Leverage. The fund utilizes leverage to seek to enhance the yield and net asset value of its Common Stock. These objectives cannot be achieved in all interest rate environments. To leverage, the fund issues APS and floating rate certificate securities, which pay dividends or interest at prevailing short-term interest rates, and invests the proceeds in long-term municipal bonds. The interest earned on these investments is paid to Common Shareholders in the form of dividends, and the value of these portfolio holdings is reflected in the per share net asset value of the fund's Common Stock. In order for either of these forms of leverage to benefit Common Shareholders, the yield curve must be positively sloped: that is, short-term interest rates must be lower than long-term interest rates. At the same time, a period of generally declining interest rates will benefit Common Shareholders. If either of these conditions change along with other factors that may have an effect on APS dividends or floating rate certificate securities, then the risk of leveraging will begin to outweigh the benefits.

Principal Risk Factors

The fund is a diversified, closed-end management investment company designed primarily as a long-term investment and not as a short-term trading vehicle. The fund is not intended to be a complete investment program and, due to the uncertainty inherent in all investments, there can be no assurance that the fund will achieve its investment objective. Different risks may be more significant at different times depending on market conditions.

Municipal Obligations Risk. The amount of public information available about municipal obligations is generally less than that for corporate equities or bonds. Special factors, such as legislative changes, and state and local economic and business developments, may adversely affect the yield and/or value of the fund's investments in municipal obligations. Other factors include the general conditions of the municipal obligations market, the size of the particular offering, and the maturity of the obligation and the rating of the issue. The municipal obligations market can be susceptible to increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity. Liquidity can decline unpredictably in response to overall economic conditions or credit tightening. Increases in volatility and decreases in liquidity may be caused by a rise in interest rates (or the expectation of a rise in interest rates). During periods of reduced market liquidity, the fund may not be able to readily sell municipal obligations at prices at or near their perceived value. Changes in economic, business or political conditions relating to a particular municipal project, municipality, or state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests may have an impact on the fund's net asset value per share of Common Stock. A credit rating downgrade relating to, default by, or insolvency or bankruptcy of, one or several municipal security issuers of a state, territory or possession of the United States in which the fund invests could affect the market values and marketability of many or all municipal securities of such state, territory or possession.

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In addition, the fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets in below investment grade municipal obligations. Below investment grade municipal obligations (commonly referred to as “high yield” or “junk” bonds) involve substantial risk of loss and are considered predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer’s or obligor’s ability to pay interest and repay principal and are susceptible to default or decline in market value due to adverse economic and business developments. The market values for high yield municipal obligations tend to be very volatile, and those bonds are less liquid than investment grade municipal obligations.

Because there is no established retail secondary market for many of these municipal obligations, it may be anticipated that such obligations could be sold only to a limited number of dealers or institutional investors. To the extent a secondary trading market for these obligations does exist, it generally is not as liquid as the secondary market for higher-rated municipal obligations. The lack of a liquid secondary market may have an adverse impact on market price and yield and the fund’s ability to dispose of particular issues in response to a specific economic event such as a deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer. The lack of a liquid secondary market for certain municipal obligations also may make it more difficult for the fund to obtain accurate market quotations for purposes of valuing the fund’s portfolio and calculating its net asset value. In such cases, the Sub-Adviser’s judgment may play a greater role in valuation because less reliable, objective data may be available.

Call Risk. Some municipal obligations give the issuer the option to “call,” or prepay, the securities before their maturity date. If interest rates fall, it is possible that issuers of callable bonds with high interest coupons will call their bonds. If a call were exercised by the issuer of a bond held by the fund during a period of declining interest rates, the fund is likely to replace such called bond with a lower yielding bond. If that were to happen, it could decrease the fund’s distributions and possibly could affect the market price of the Common Stock. Similar risks exist when the fund invests the proceeds from matured, traded or prepaid bonds at market interest rates that are below the fund’s current earnings rate. A decline in income could affect the market price or overall return of the Common Stock. During periods of market illiquidity or rising interest rates, prices of “callable” issues are subject to increased price fluctuation.

Credit Risk. Credit risk is the risk that one or more municipal bonds in the fund’s portfolio will decline in price, or the issuer or obligor thereof will fail to pay interest or repay principal when due, because the issuer or obligor experiences a decline or there is a perception of a decline in its financial status. Below investment grade municipal obligations involve greater credit risk than investment grade municipal obligations. In addition, sizable investments by the fund in revenue obligations could involve an increased risk to the fund should any of the related facilities experience financial difficulties.

Interest Rate Risk. Prices of municipal obligations and other fixed-income securities tend to move inversely with changes in interest rates. Typically, a rise in rates will adversely affect fixed-income securities and, accordingly, will cause the value of the fund’s investments in these securities to decline. A wide variety of market factors can cause

interest rates to rise, including central bank monetary policy, rising inflation and changes in general economic conditions. During periods of very low interest rates, which occur from time to time due to market forces or actions of governments and/or their central banks, including the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in the U.S., the fund may be subject to a greater risk of principal decline from rising interest rates. When interest rates fall, the values of already-issued fixed-income securities generally rise. However, when interest rates fall, the fund's investments in new securities may be at lower yields and may reduce the fund's income. The magnitude of these fluctuations in the market price of fixed-income securities is generally greater for securities with longer effective maturities and durations because such instruments do not mature, reset interest rates or become callable for longer periods of time. The change in the value of a fixed-income security or portfolio can be approximated by multiplying its duration by a change in interest rates. For example, the market price of a fixed-income security with a duration of three years would be expected to decline 3% if interest rates rose 1%. Conversely, the market price of the same security would be expected to increase 3% if interest rates fell 1%. Interest rates in the United States, however, have been rising and are expected to continue to increase in the future. Changing interest rates may have unpredictable effects on markets, may result in heightened market volatility and may detract from fund performance.

Tax Risk. To be tax-exempt, municipal obligations generally must meet certain regulatory requirements. Although the fund will invest in municipal obligations that pay income that is exempt, in the opinion of counsel to the issuer (or on the basis of other authority believed by the Adviser to be reliable), from regular federal income tax, if any such municipal obligation fails to meet these regulatory requirements, the income received by the fund from its investment in such obligations and distributed by the fund to Common Shareholders will be taxable. Changes or proposed changes in federal tax laws may cause the prices of municipal obligations to fall. In addition, the federal income tax treatment of payments in respect of certain derivatives contracts is unclear. Common Shareholders may receive distributions that are attributable to derivatives contracts that are treated as ordinary income for federal income tax purposes

Liquidity Risk. When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities in a timely manner at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's net asset value per share of Common Stock may fall dramatically, even during periods of declining interest rates. Other market developments can adversely affect fixed-income securities markets. Regulations and business practices, for example, have led some financial intermediaries to curtail their capacity to engage in trading (*i.e.*, "market making") activities for certain fixed-income securities, which could have the potential to decrease liquidity and increase volatility in the fixed-income securities markets. The secondary market for certain municipal obligations tends to be less well developed or liquid than many other securities markets, which may adversely affect the fund's ability to sell such municipal obligations at attractive prices. Investments that are illiquid or that trade in lower volumes may be more difficult to value. Liquidity can decline unpredictably in response to overall economic conditions or credit tightening. Increases

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in volatility and decreases in liquidity may be caused by a rise in interest rates (or the expectation of a rise in interest rates).

When-Issued Securities Risk. When purchasing a security on a forward commitment basis, the fund assumes the rights and risks of ownership of the security, including the risk of price and yield fluctuations. Because the fund is not required to pay for these securities until the delivery date, these risks are in addition to the risks associated with the fund's other investments. Securities purchased on a forward commitment, when-issued or delayed-delivery basis are subject to changes in value (generally appreciating when interest rates decline and depreciating when interest rates rise) based upon the public's perception of the creditworthiness of the issuer and changes, real or anticipated, in the level of interest rates. Securities purchased on a forward commitment, when-issued or delayed-delivery basis may expose the fund to risks because they may experience such fluctuations prior to their actual delivery.

Use of Leverage Risk. Leverage is a speculative technique and there are special risks and costs associated with leveraging. There is no assurance that leveraging strategy will be successful. Leverage involves risks and special considerations for Common Shareholders, including: the likelihood of greater volatility of net asset value, market price and dividend rate of Common Stock than a comparable portfolio without leverage; the risk that fluctuations in the interest or dividend rates that the fund must pay on any leverage will reduce the return to Common Shareholders; the effect of leverage in a declining market, which is likely to cause a greater decline in the net asset value of Common Stock than if the fund were not leveraged, which may result in a greater decline in the market price of Common Stock.

Market Risk. The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies worldwide. Recent examples include pandemic risks related to COVID-19 and aggressive measures taken worldwide in response by governments, including closing borders, restricting international and domestic travel, and the imposition of prolonged quarantines of large populations, and by businesses, including changes to operations and reducing staff. The effects of COVID-19 have contributed to increased volatility in global markets and will likely affect certain countries, companies, industries and market sectors more dramatically than others. The COVID-19 pandemic has had, and any other outbreak of an infectious disease or other serious public health concern could have, a significant negative impact on economic and market conditions and could trigger a prolonged period of global economic slowdown. To the extent the fund may overweight its investments in certain

regions, companies, industries or market sectors, such positions will increase the fund's exposure to risk of loss from adverse developments affecting those regions, companies, industries or sectors.

Risk of Market Price Discount from Net Asset Value. Shares of closed-end funds, such as the fund, frequently trade at a discount from their net asset value. This characteristic is a risk separate and distinct from the risk that net asset value could decrease as a result of investment activities. The fund cannot predict whether its Common Stock will trade at, above or below net asset value.

Management Risk. The fund is subject to management risk because the Adviser actively manages the fund. The Sub-Adviser and the fund's portfolio managers will apply investment techniques and risk analyses in making investment decisions for the fund, but there can be no guarantee that these will produce the desired results.

Cybersecurity Risk. The fund and its service providers are susceptible to operational and information security risks due to cybersecurity incidents. In general, cybersecurity incidents can result from deliberate attacks or unintentional events. Cybersecurity attacks include, but are not limited to, gaining unauthorized access to digital systems (e.g., through "hacking" or malicious software coding) for purposes of misappropriating assets or sensitive information, corrupting data or causing operational disruption. Cyber attacks also may be carried out in a manner that does not require gaining unauthorized access, such as causing denial-of-service attacks on websites (i.e., efforts to make services unavailable to intended users). Cybersecurity incidents affecting the Adviser or other service providers, as well as financial intermediaries, have the ability to cause disruptions and impact business operations, potentially resulting in financial losses, including by interference with the fund's ability to calculate its net asset value; impediments to trading for the fund's portfolio; the inability of Common Shareholders to transact business with the fund; violations of applicable privacy, data security or other laws; regulatory fines and penalties; reputational damage; reimbursement or other compensation or remediation costs; legal fees; or additional compliance costs. Similar adverse consequences could result from cybersecurity incidents affecting issuers of securities in which the fund invests, counterparties with which the fund engages in transactions, governmental and other regulatory authorities, exchange and other financial market operators, banks, brokers, dealers, insurance companies and other financial institutions and other parties. While information risk management systems and business continuity plans have been developed which are designed to reduce the risks associated with cybersecurity, there are inherent limitations in any cybersecurity risk management systems or business continuity plans, including the possibility that certain risks have not been identified.

Given the risks described above, an investment in Common Stock may not be appropriate for all investors. You should carefully consider your ability to assume these risks before making an investment in the fund.

Recent Changes

During the period ended November 30, 2022, there were: (i) no material changes in the fund's investment objectives or policies that have not been approved by shareholders, (ii) no changes in the fund's charter or by-laws that would delay or prevent a change of control of the fund that have not been approved by shareholders, (iii) no material changes to the principal risk factors associated with investment in the fund, and (iv) no change in the persons primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the fund's portfolio.

IMPORTANT TAX INFORMATION (Unaudited)

In accordance with federal tax law, the fund hereby reports all the dividends paid from net investment income during its fiscal year ended November 30, 2022 as “exempt-interest dividends” (not generally subject to regular federal income tax). Where required by federal tax law rules, shareholders will receive notification of their portion of the fund’s taxable ordinary dividends (if any), capital gains distributions (if any) and tax-exempt dividends paid for the 2022 calendar year on Form 1099-DIV, which will be mailed in early 2023.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE RENEWAL OF THE FUND'S INVESTMENT ADVISORY, ADMINISTRATION AND SUB- INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENTS (Unaudited)

At a meeting of the fund's Board of Directors held on October 31-November 1, 2022, the Board considered the renewal of the fund's Investment Advisory Agreement and Administration Agreement, pursuant to which the Adviser provides the fund with investment advisory and administrative services, respectively, and the Sub-Investment Advisory Agreement (together with the Investment Advisory Agreement and Administration Agreement, the "Agreements"), pursuant to which Insight North America LLC (the "Sub-Adviser") provides day-to-day management of the fund's investments. The Board members, none of whom are "interested persons" (as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended) of the fund, were assisted in their review by independent legal counsel and met with counsel in executive session separate from representatives of the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser. In considering the renewal of the Agreements, the Board considered several factors that it believed to be relevant, including those discussed below. The Board did not identify any one factor as dispositive, and each Board member may have attributed different weights to the factors considered.

Analysis of Nature, Extent, and Quality of Services Provided to the Fund. The Board considered information provided to it at the meeting and in previous presentations from representatives of the Adviser regarding the nature, extent, and quality of the services provided to funds in the BNY Mellon fund complex, including the fund. The Adviser noted that the fund is a closed-end fund without daily inflows and outflows of capital and provided the fund's asset size.

The Board also considered research support available to, and portfolio management capabilities of, the fund's portfolio management personnel and that the Adviser also provides oversight of day-to-day fund operations, including fund accounting and administration and assistance in meeting legal and regulatory requirements. The Board also considered the Adviser's extensive administrative, accounting and compliance infrastructures, as well as the Adviser's supervisory activities over the Sub-Adviser.

Comparative Analysis of the Fund's Performance and Management Fee and Expense Ratio. The Board reviewed reports prepared by Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("Broadridge"), an independent provider of investment company data based on classifications provided by Thomson Reuters Lipper ("Lipper"), which included information comparing (1) the fund's performance with the performance of a group of leveraged closed-end general and insured municipal debt funds selected by Broadridge as comparable to the fund (the "Performance Group") and with a broader group of funds consisting of all leveraged closed-end general and insured municipal debt funds (the "Performance Universe"), all for various periods ended September 30, 2022, and (2) the fund's actual and contractual management fees and total expenses with those of the same group of funds in the Performance Group (the "Expense Group") and with a broader group of funds consisting of all leveraged closed-end general and insured municipal debt funds, excluding outliers (the "Expense Universe"), the information for which was derived in part from fund financial statements available to Broadridge as of the date of its analysis. The Adviser previously had furnished the Board with a

description of the methodology Broadridge used to select the Performance Group and Performance Universe and the Expense Group and Expense Universe.

Performance Comparisons. Representatives of the Adviser stated that the usefulness of performance comparisons may be affected by a number of factors, including different investment limitations and policies and the extent and manner in which leverage is employed that may be applicable to the fund and comparison funds and the end date selected. The Board also considered the fund's performance in light of overall financial market conditions. The Board discussed with representatives of the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser the results of the comparisons and considered that the fund's total return performance, on a net asset value basis, was below the Performance Group median for all periods, except the two-year period when the fund's total return performance was above the Performance Group median, and was below the Performance Universe median for all periods, except the one- and two-years periods when the fund's total return performance was at or above the Performance Universe median. The Board also considered that the fund's total return performance, on a market price basis, was below the Performance Group and Performance Universe medians for all periods, except the one- and two-years periods when the fund's total return performance was at or above the Performance Group median and above the Performance Universe median. The Board also considered that the fund's yield performance, on a net asset value basis, was at or above the Performance Group and Performance Universe medians for nine of the ten one-year periods ended September 30th and, on a market price basis, was at or above the Performance Group median for all of the ten one-year periods ended September 30th and at or above the Performance Universe median for nine of the ten one-year periods ended September 30th. The Board discussed with representatives of the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser the reasons for the fund's underperformance versus the Performance Group and Performance Universe during certain periods under review and noted that the portfolio managers are very experienced with an impressive long-term track record and continued to apply a consistent investment strategy. The Board also considered the relative proximity of the fund's performance to the relevant Performance Group and/or Performance Universe medians in certain periods when performance was below median. The Adviser also provided a comparison of the fund's calendar year total returns, on a net asset value basis, to the returns of the fund's benchmark index, and it was noted that the fund's returns were above the returns of the index in seven of the ten calendar years shown.

Management Fee and Expense Ratio Comparisons. The Board reviewed and considered the contractual management fee rate (*i.e.*, the aggregate of the investment advisory and administration fees pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement and Administration Agreement) payable by the fund to the Adviser in light of the nature, extent and quality of the management services and the sub-advisory services provided by the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser, respectively. In addition, the Board reviewed and considered the actual management fee rate paid by the fund over the fund's last fiscal year, which included reductions for a fee waiver arrangement in place that reduced the management fee paid to the Adviser. The Board also reviewed the range of actual and contractual management fees and total expenses as a percentage of average net assets of the

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Expense Group and Expense Universe funds and discussed the results of the comparisons.

The Board considered that, based on common assets alone, the fund's contractual management fee was higher than the Expense Group median contractual management fee and the fund's actual management fee was lower than the Expense Group median and the Expense Universe median actual management fee and the fund's total expenses were lower than the Expense Group median and Expense Universe median total expenses. The Board also considered that, based on common and leveraged assets together, the fund's actual management fee was higher than the Expense Group median and Expense Universe median actual management fee and the fund's total expenses were higher than the Expense Group median and Expense Universe median total expenses.

Representatives of the Adviser stated that the Adviser had agreed, until May 31, 2023, to waive receipt of a portion of its management fee from the fund in the amount of .10% of the value of the fund's average weekly net assets (including net assets representing APS outstanding).

Representatives of the Adviser reviewed with the Board the contractual management fee paid by funds advised by the Adviser that are in the same Lipper category as the fund (the "Similar Funds"), and explained the nature of the Similar Funds. They discussed differences in fees paid in light of any differences in the services provided and other relevant factors, noting that the fund is a closed-end fund. The Board considered the relevance of the fee information provided for the Similar Funds to evaluate the appropriateness of the fund's management fee. Representatives of the Adviser noted that there were no separate accounts and/or other types of client portfolios advised by the Adviser or the Sub-Adviser that are considered to have similar investment strategies and policies as the fund.

The Board considered the fee payable to the Sub-Adviser in relation to the fee payable to the Adviser by the fund and the respective services provided by the Sub-Adviser and the Adviser. The Board also took into consideration that the Sub-Adviser's fee is paid by the Adviser, out of its fee from the fund, and not the fund.

Analysis of Profitability and Economies of Scale. Representatives of the Adviser reviewed the expenses allocated and profit received by the Adviser and its affiliates and the resulting profitability percentage for managing the fund and the aggregate profitability percentage to the Adviser and its affiliates for managing the funds in the BNY Mellon fund complex, and the method used to determine the expenses and profit. The Board concluded that the profitability results were not excessive, given the services rendered and service levels provided by the Adviser and its affiliates. The Board also considered the fee waiver arrangement and its effect on the profitability of the Adviser and its affiliates. The Board also had been provided with information prepared by an independent consulting firm regarding the Adviser's approach to allocating costs to, and determining the profitability of, individual funds and the entire BNY Mellon fund

complex. The consulting firm also had analyzed where any economies of scale might emerge in connection with the management of a fund.

The Board considered, on the advice of its counsel, the profitability analysis (1) as part of its evaluation of whether the fees under the Agreements, considered in relation to the mix of services provided by the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser, including the nature, extent and quality of such services, supported the renewal of the Agreements and (2) in light of the relevant circumstances for the fund and the extent to which economies of scale would be realized if the fund grows and whether fee levels reflect these economies of scale for the benefit of fund shareholders. Representatives of the Adviser stated that, because the fund is a closed-end fund without daily inflows and outflows of capital, there were not significant economies of scale at this time to be realized by the Adviser in managing the fund's assets. Representatives of the Adviser also stated that, as a result of shared and allocated costs among funds in the BNY Mellon fund complex, the extent of economies of scale could depend substantially on the level of assets in the complex as a whole, so that increases and decreases in complex-wide assets can affect potential economies of scale in a manner that is disproportionate to, or even in the opposite direction from, changes in the fund's asset level. The Board also considered potential benefits to the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser from acting as investment adviser and sub-investment adviser, respectively, and took into consideration that there were no soft dollar arrangements in effect for trading the fund's investments.

At the conclusion of these discussions, the Board agreed that it had been furnished with sufficient information to make an informed business decision with respect to the renewal of the Agreements. Based on the discussions and considerations as described above, the Board concluded and determined as follows.

- The Board concluded that the nature, extent and quality of the services provided by the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser are adequate and appropriate.
- The Board generally was satisfied with the fund's overall relative performance.
- The Board concluded that the fees paid to the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser continued to be appropriate under the circumstances and in light of the factors and the totality of the services provided as discussed above.
- The Board determined that the economies of scale which may accrue to the Adviser and its affiliates in connection with the management of the fund had been adequately considered by the Adviser in connection with the fee rate charged to the fund pursuant to the Investment Advisory Agreement and Administration Agreement and that, to the extent in the future it were determined that material economies of scale had not been shared with the fund, the Board would seek to have those economies of scale shared with the fund.

In evaluating the Agreements, the Board considered these conclusions and determinations and also relied on its previous knowledge, gained through meetings and other interactions with the Adviser and its affiliates and the Sub-Adviser, of the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser and the services provided to the fund by the Adviser and the Sub-

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Adviser. The Board also relied on information received on a routine and regular basis throughout the year relating to the operations of the fund and the investment management and other services provided under the Agreements, including information on the investment performance of the fund in comparison to similar funds and benchmark performance indices; general market outlook as applicable to the fund; and compliance reports. In addition, the Board's consideration of the contractual fee arrangements for the fund had the benefit of a number of years of reviews of the Agreements for the fund, or substantially similar agreements for other BNY Mellon funds that the Board oversees, during which lengthy discussions took place between the Board and representatives of the Adviser. Certain aspects of the arrangements may receive greater scrutiny in some years than in others, and the Board's conclusions may be based, in part, on its consideration of the fund's arrangements, or substantially similar arrangements for other BNY Mellon funds that the Board oversees, in prior years. The Board determined to renew the Agreements.

BOARD MEMBERS INFORMATION (Unaudited)

Independent Board Members

Joseph S. DiMartino (79) Chairman of the Board (1995)

Current term expires in 2024.

Principal Occupation During Past 5 Years:

- Director or Trustee of funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds and certain other entities (as described in the fund's Statement of Additional Information) (1995-Present)

Other Public Company Board Memberships During Past 5 Years:

- CBIZ, Inc., a public company providing professional business services, products and solutions, *Director* (1997-Present)

No. of Portfolios for which Board Member Serves: 92

Joni Evans (80) Board Member (2006)

Current term expires in 2024.

Principal Occupation During Past 5 Years:

- www.wowOwow.com, an online community dedicated to women's conversations and publications, *Chief Executive Officer* (2007-2019)
- Joni Evans Ltd. publishing, *Principal* (2006-2019)

No. of Portfolios for which Board Member Serves: 17

Joan Gulley (75) Board Member (2017)

Current term expires in 2023.

Principal Occupation During Past 5 Years:

- Nantucket Atheneum, public library, *Chair* (2018-June 2021) and *Director* (2015-June 2021)
- Orchard Island Club, golf and beach club, *Governor* (2016-Present)

No. of Portfolios for which Board Member Serves: 39

BOARD MEMBERS INFORMATION (Unaudited) (continued)

Alan H. Howard (63) **Board Member (2018)**

Current term expires in 2025.

Principal Occupation During Past 5 Years:

- Heathcote Advisors LLC, a financial advisory services firm, *Managing Partner* (2008-Present)
- Dynatech/MPX Holdings LLC, a global supplier and service provider of military aircraft parts, *President* (2012-2019); and *Board Member* of its two operating subsidiaries, Dynatech International LLC and Military Parts Exchange LLC (2012-2019), including *Chief Executive Officer* of an operating subsidiary, Dynatech International LLC (2013-2019)
- Rossoff & Co., an independent investment banking firm, *Senior Advisor* (2013-June 2021)

Other Public Company Board Memberships During Past 5 Years:

- Movado Group, Inc., a public company that designs, sources, markets and distributes watches, *Director* (1997-Present)
- Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc., a public company that provides contract drilling services, *Director* (March 2020-April 2021)

No. of Portfolios for which Board Member Serves: 17

Robin A. Melvin (59) **Board Member (1995)**

Current term expires in 2025.

Principal Occupation During Past 5 Years:

- Westover School, a private girls' boarding school in Middlebury, Connecticut, *Trustee* (2019-Present)
- Mentor Illinois, a non-profit organization dedicated to increasing the quantity and quality of mentoring services in Illinois. *Co-Chair* (2014–2020); *Board Member*, Mentor Illinois (2013-2020)
- JDRE, a non-profit juvenile diabetes research foundation, *Board Member* (June 2021-June 2022)

Other Public Company Board Memberships During Past 5 Years:

- HPS Corporate Lending Fund, a closed-end management investment company regulated as a business development company, *Trustee* (August 2021-Present)

No. of Portfolios for which Board Member Serves: 71

Burton N. Wallack (72) **Board Member (2006)**

Current term expires in 2023.

Principal Occupation During Past 5 Years:

Wallack Management Company, a real estate management company, *President and Co-owner* (1987-Present)

Other Public Company Board Memberships During Past 5 Years:

Mount Sinai Hospital Urology, *Board Member* (2017-Present)

No. of Portfolios for which Board Member Serves: 17

Benaree Pratt Wiley (76)

Board Member (1998)

Current term expires in 2023.

Principal Occupation During Past 5 Years:

- The Wiley Group, a firm specializing in strategy and business development. *Principal* (2005-Present)

Other Public Company Board Memberships During Past 5 Years:

- CBIZ, Inc., a public company providing professional business services, products and solutions, *Director* (2008-Present)
- Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Massachusetts, *Director* (2004-2020)

No. of Portfolios for which Board Member Serves: 60

Gordon J. Davis (81)

Advisory Board Member (2021)

Principal Occupation During Past 5 Years:

- Venable LLP, a law firm, *Partner* (2012-Present)

Other Public Company Board Memberships During Past 5 Years:

- BNY Mellon Family of Funds (53 funds), *Board Member* (1995-August 2021)

No. of Portfolios for which Advisory Board Member Serves: 39

The address of the Board Members and Officers is c/o BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc., 240 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10286.

OFFICERS OF THE FUND (Unaudited)

DAVID DIPETRILLO, President since January 2021.

Vice President and Director of Adviser since February 2021; Head of North America Product, BNY Mellon Investment Management since January 2018; and Director of Product Strategy, BNY Mellon Investment Management from January 2016 to December 2017. He is an officer of 54 investment companies (comprised of 107 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. He is 44 years old and has been an employee of BNY Mellon since 2005.

JAMES WINDELS, Treasurer since November 2001.

Vice President of Adviser since September 2020; and Director—BNY Mellon Fund Administration. He is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. He is 64 years old and has been an employee of Adviser since April 1985.

PETER M. SULLIVAN, Chief Legal Officer since July 2021 and Vice President and Assistant Secretary since March 2019.

Chief Legal Officer of Adviser and Associate General Counsel of BNY Mellon since July 2021; Senior Managing Counsel of BNY Mellon from December 2020 to July 2021; and Managing Counsel of BNY Mellon from March 2009 to December 2020. He is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. He is 54 years old and has been an employee of BNY Mellon since April 2004.

JAMES BITETTO, Vice President since August 2005 and Secretary since February 2018.

Senior Managing Counsel of BNY Mellon since December 2019; Managing Counsel of BNY Mellon from April 2014 to December 2019; and Secretary of Adviser. He is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. He is 56 years old and has been an employee of Adviser since December 1996.

DEIRDRE CUNNANE, Vice President and Assistant Secretary since March 2019.

Managing Counsel of BNY Mellon since December 2021, Counsel of BNY Mellon from August 2018 to December 2021; and Senior Regulatory Specialist at BNY Mellon Investment Management Services from February 2016 to August 2018. She is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. She is 32 years old and has been an employee of Adviser since August 2018.

SARAH S. KELLEHER, Vice President and Assistant Secretary since April 2014.

Vice President of BNY Mellon ETF Investment Adviser, LLC since February 2020; Senior Managing Counsel of BNY Mellon since September 2021; Managing Counsel of BNY Mellon from December 2017 to September 2021; and Senior Counsel of BNY Mellon from March 2013 to December 2017. She is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. She is 47 years old and has been an employee of Adviser since March 2013.

JEFF PRUSNOFSKY, Vice President and Assistant Secretary since August 2005.

Senior Managing Counsel of BNY Mellon. He is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. He is 57 years old and has been an employee of Adviser since October 1990.

AMANDA QUINN, Vice President and Assistant Secretary since March 2020.

Counsel of BNY Mellon since June 2019; Regulatory Administration Manager at BNY Mellon Investment Management Services from September 2018 to May 2019; and Senior Regulatory Specialist at BNY Mellon Investment Management Services from April 2015 to August 2018. She is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. She is 37 years old and has been an employee of Adviser since June 2019.

NATALYA ZELENSKY, Vice President and Assistant Secretary since March 2017.

Chief Compliance Officer since August 2021 and Vice President since February 2020 of BNY Mellon ETF Investment Adviser, LLC; Chief Compliance Officer since August 2021 and Vice President and Assistant Secretary since February 2020 of BNY Mellon ETF Trust; Managing Counsel of BNY Mellon from December 2019 to August 2021; Counsel of BNY Mellon from May 2016 to December 2019; and Assistant Secretary of Adviser from April 2018 to August 2021. She is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. She is 37 years old and has been an employee of BNY Mellon since May 2016.

DANIEL GOLDSTEIN, Vice President since March 2022.

Vice President and Head of Product Development of North America Product, BNY Mellon Investment Management since January 2018; Co-Head of Product Management, Development & Oversight of North America Product, BNY Mellon Investment Management from January 2010 to January 2018; and Senior Vice President, Development & Oversight of North America Product, BNY Mellon Investment Management since 2010. He is an officer of 54 investment companies (comprised of 107 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. He is 53 years old and has been an employee of the Distributor since 1991.

JOSEPH MARTELLA, Vice President since March 2022.

Vice President and Head of Product Management of North America Product, BNY Mellon Investment Management since January 2018; Director of Product Research and Analytics of North America Product, BNY Mellon Investment Management from January 2010 to January 2018; and Senior Vice President of North America Product, BNY Mellon Investment Management since 2010. He is an officer of 54 investment companies (comprised of 107 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. He is 46 years old and has been an employee of the Distributor since 1999.

GAVIN C. REILLY, Assistant Treasurer since December 2005.

Tax Manager–BNY Mellon Fund Administration. He is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. He is 54 years old and has been an employee of Adviser since April 1991.

ROBERT SALVILOLO, Assistant Treasurer since May 2007.

Senior Accounting Manager–BNY Mellon Fund Administration. He is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. He is 55 years old and has been an employee of Adviser since June 1989.

ROBERT SVAGNA, Assistant Treasurer since August 2005.

Senior Accounting Manager–BNY Mellon Fund Administration. He is an officer of 55 investment companies (comprised of 127 portfolios) managed by Adviser or an affiliate of Adviser. He is 55 years old and has been an employee of Adviser since November 1990.

JOSEPH W. CONNOLLY, Chief Compliance Officer since October 2004.

Chief Compliance Officer of the BNY Mellon Family of Funds and BNY Mellon Funds Trust since 2004; and Chief Compliance Officer of Adviser from 2004 until June 2021. He is the Chief Compliance Officer of 54 investment companies (comprised of 112 portfolios) managed by Adviser. He is 65 years old.

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A description of the policies and procedures that the fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities and information regarding how the fund voted these proxies for the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available at www.im.bnymellon.com and on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov and without charge, upon request, by calling 1-800-373-9387.



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