

Janus Henderson VIT Enterprise Portfolio (formerly named Janus Aspen Enterprise Portfolio)

Janus Aspen Series

HIGHLIGHTS

- Portfolio management perspective
- Investment strategy behind your portfolio
- Portfolio performance, characteristics and holdings

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PORTFOLIO SNAPSHOT

We believe that investing in companies with sustainable growth and high return on invested capital, can drive consistent returns and allow us to outperform our benchmark and peers over time, with moderate risk. We seek to identify mid-cap companies with high-quality management teams that wisely allocate capital to fund and drive growth over time.



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PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW

During the six months ended June 30, 2017, Janus Henderson VIT Enterprise Portfolio's Institutional Shares and Service Shares returned 14.33% and 14.16%, respectively. Meanwhile, the Portfolio's benchmark, the Russell Midcap[®] Growth Index, returned 11.40%.

INVESTMENT ENVIRONMENT

U.S. mid-cap stocks experienced strong gains during the period. Stocks rose in the first quarter, buoyed by economic data points that suggested global economic growth was returning and hopes that the Trump administration's proposed pro-growth initiatives would further jump-start the economy. Strong corporate earnings and a low global interest rate environment were also supportive of stocks. The health care and technology sectors were the best performing sectors within the Russell Midcap[®] Growth Index. The energy sector lagged the broader index, due in large part to falling oil prices.

PERFORMANCE DISCUSSION

Our Portfolio tends to emphasize "durable growth" companies that we believe have more predictable business models, recurring revenue streams, strong free cash flow growth and strong competitive positioning that should allow them to take market share and experience sustainable long-term growth across a variety of economic environments. We believe a collection of these higher quality growth companies can help the Portfolio outperform when markets are down and drive relative outperformance over full market cycles. This period, we were pleased to see many of the companies in our portfolio continue to put up impressive results, validating the durability of their business models and collectively driving our relative outperformance.

Two health care companies, Boston Scientific and PerkinElmer, were among our top contributors to performance during the period. A general migration away from pharmaceutical stocks toward other areas of the

health care sector less affected by potential drug price regulation has benefited both stocks.

While stocks of medical device and life science tools companies benefited from this move, there are company specific reasons we own both stocks. We are encouraged by initiatives Boston Scientific's management team is undertaking to boost its product pipeline, expand operating margins and grow revenue. We also believe new product launches from the medical device company, especially in the cardiovascular field, offer promising growth potential.

PerkinElmer produces life science tools for human and environmental health end markets. While the stock benefited from the migration away from pharmaceutical stocks to other areas of the health care sector, PerkinElmer's acquisition of a medical diagnostic company was also viewed favorably by the market and helped drive the stock this period. We believe PerkinElmer has a strong set of niche products and like that management is working to improve operating margins. We also believe increased awareness on food and environmental safety is a long-term tailwind for the company.

Outside the health care sector, SS&C Technologies was a top contributor. The company provides software-enabled services to asset managers. We believe accelerating revenue growth in the second half of 2016 – in what was a challenging environment for its hedge fund clients – has demonstrated the durability of the company's earnings. There had been concerns that weak performance by hedge funds could lead to consolidation in the industry and fewer clients demanding SS&C's services. However, we have long believed that SS&C isn't wholly dependent on new clients and a booming hedge fund industry for growth. In addition to hedge funds, its client base covers a diverse range of investment strategies, including traditional asset managers, real estate funds and private equity. The company has also historically driven earnings

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from cross-selling new services to these clients and accretive mergers and acquisitions. Revenue growth in recent periods has helped confirm our thesis.

While generally pleased with the Portfolio's performance this period, we still held stocks that detracted from our results. Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers was our largest detractor. The company conducts worldwide public auctions of heavy industrial equipment used in construction, transportation and agriculture. Auction proceeds were a little soft during the period, which negatively affected the stock. Our long-term view of the company remains unchanged, however. We believe that earnings for auctioneers such as Ritchie Bros. are less economically sensitive than many other industrial companies: in strong economic environments, companies must buy heavy equipment to expand; in weak economic environments, they must sell the equipment that is not being used.

World Fuel Services was another detractor. The fuel logistics company has had difficulties managing its costs, which has negatively affected the stock. We believe World Fuel Services will ultimately address its cost issues. We continue to hold the stock, and believe a business linking fuel buyers and sellers in transportation markets around the world is a valuable service for clients. We also believe the company can continue to take share within the fragmented industries in which it operates.

Tractor Supply Company was also among our largest detractors. Tractor Supply Company provides a number of farming materials, targeting hobbyist farmers and outdoor enthusiasts. We believe the company has better buying power than subscale regional players it competes against. Much of the material it sells has a high weight to value factor, meaning it's not easy to ship. This insulates Tractor Supply from e-commerce disruption more than many other retailers. The stock has been down due to disappointing sales that have led to negative earnings revisions. Additionally, the stock has de-rated as the market questions the future growth opportunities of the company. The stock is a small position in our Portfolio and we continue to monitor the company's progress.

DERIVATIVES

Please see the Derivative Instruments section in the "Notes to Financial Statements" for a discussion of derivatives used by the Fund.

OUTLOOK

We've been surprised by the market's complacency this year. Stocks have enjoyed a near continual trek upward and volatility remains historically low. It's questionable how long these trends can continue. We don't portend a major downturn in equities and don't foresee a specific catalyst that will trigger volatility, but high valuations make it difficult to see much more upside in stocks.

Against this backdrop, we believe we can add value. In a volatile or low-return environment, the market tends to reward high-quality growth companies. Such companies have been the focal point of our investment process for the last decade and we believe the coming months could again underscore the benefit of taking a high-quality approach.

Thank you for your investment in Janus Henderson VIT Enterprise Portfolio.

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Portfolio At A Glance
June 30, 2017

5 Top Performers - Holdings

	Contribution
Boston Scientific Corp	0.55%
PerkinElmer Inc	0.52%
SS&C Technologies Holdings Inc	0.50%
Varian Medical Systems Inc	0.49%
athenahealth Inc	0.48%

5 Bottom Performers - Holdings

	Contribution
Ritchie Bros Auctioneers Inc	-0.21%
World Fuel Services Corp	-0.14%
Tractor Supply Co	-0.11%
WEX Inc	-0.11%
Middleby Corp	-0.04%

5 Top Performers - Sectors*

	Portfolio Contribution	Portfolio Weighting (Average % of Equity)	Russell Midcap Growth Index Weighting
Consumer Discretionary	1.50%	9.65%	22.67%
Industrials	0.88%	18.20%	14.73%
Consumer Staples	0.78%	0.00%	6.81%
Information Technology	0.50%	34.24%	22.82%
Health Care	0.33%	18.92%	15.65%

5 Bottom Performers - Sectors*

	Portfolio Contribution	Portfolio Weighting (Average % of Equity)	Russell Midcap Growth Index Weighting
Other**	-0.48%	4.50%	0.00%
Materials	-0.30%	2.07%	5.21%
Utilities	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Telecommunication Services	0.02%	0.00%	0.28%
Financials	0.05%	7.40%	5.44%

Security contribution to performance is measured by using an algorithm that multiplies the daily performance of each security with the previous day's ending weight in the portfolio and is gross of advisory fees. Fixed income securities and certain equity securities, such as private placements and some share classes of equity securities, are excluded.

* Based on sector classification according to the Global Industry Classification Standard ("GICS") codes, which are the exclusive property and a service mark of MSCI Inc. and Standard & Poor's.

** Not a GICS classified sector.

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5 Largest Equity Holdings - (% of Net Assets)

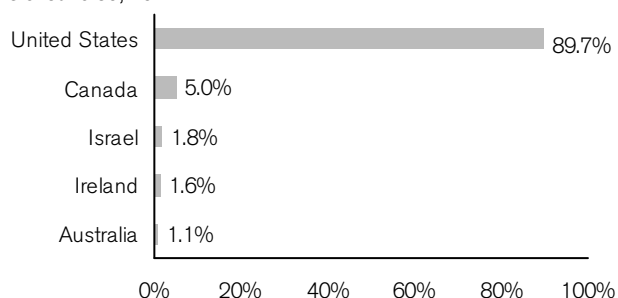
Sensata Technologies Holding NV	
Electrical Equipment	2.3%
TD Ameritrade Holding Corp	
Capital Markets	2.1%
Lamar Advertising Co	
Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)	2.1%
Boston Scientific Corp	
Health Care Equipment & Supplies	2.1%
Crown Castle International Corp	
Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)	2.0%
	10.6%

Asset Allocation - (% of Net Assets)

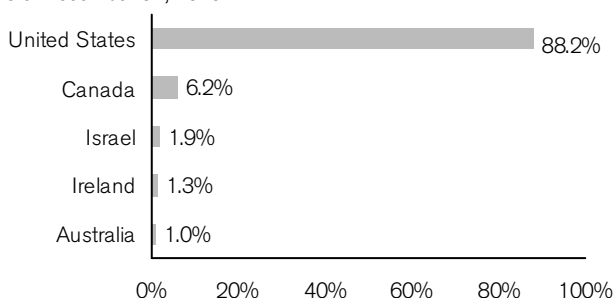
Common Stocks	94.0%
Investment Companies	6.5%
Preferred Stocks	0.1%
Other	(0.6)%
	100.0%

Top Country Allocations - Long Positions - (% of Investment Securities)

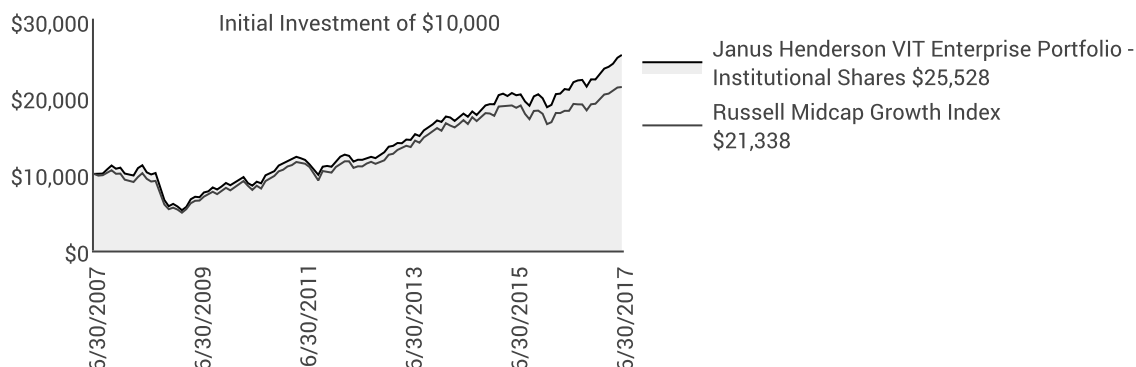
As of June 30, 2017



As of December 31, 2016



Janus Henderson VIT Enterprise Portfolio (unaudited) Performance



Average Annual Total Return - for the periods ended June 30, 2017	Expense Ratios - per the May 1, 2017 prospectuses					
	Fiscal Year-to-Date	One Year	Five Year	Ten Year	Since Inception*	Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses
Institutional Shares	14.33%	21.70%	16.60%	9.83%	10.81%	0.74%
Service Shares	14.16%	21.38%	16.31%	9.55%	10.53%	0.98%
Russell Midcap Growth Index	11.40%	17.05%	14.19%	7.87%	9.52%	
Morningstar Quartile - Institutional Shares	-	1st	1st	1st	1st	
Morningstar Ranking - based on total returns for Mid-Cap Growth Funds	-	129/651	17/597	18/552	24/157	

Returns quoted are past performance and do not guarantee future results; current performance may be lower or higher. Investment returns and principal value will vary; there may be a gain or loss when shares are sold. For the most recent month-end performance call 877.335.2687 or visit janushenderson.com/VITperformance

Performance may be affected by risks that include those associated with non-diversification, portfolio turnover, short sales, potential conflicts of interest, foreign and emerging markets, initial public offerings (IPOs), high-yield and high-risk securities, undervalued, overlooked and smaller capitalization companies, real estate related securities including Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs), derivatives, and commodity-linked investments. Each product has different risks. Please see the prospectus for more information about risks, holdings and other details.

Returns shown do not represent actual returns since they do not include insurance charges. Returns shown would have been lower had they included insurance charges.

Returns include reinvestment of all dividends and distributions and do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Portfolio distributions or redemptions of Portfolio shares. The returns do not include adjustments in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles required at the period end for financial reporting purposes.

See Financial Highlights for actual expense ratios during the reporting period.

Performance for Service Shares prior to December 31, 1999 reflects the performance of Institutional Shares, adjusted to reflect the expenses of Service Shares.

Ranking is for the share class shown only; other classes may have different performance characteristics.

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There is no assurance that the investment process will consistently lead to successful investing.

See important disclosures on the next page.

Janus Henderson VIT Enterprise Portfolio (unaudited) Performance

See Notes to Schedule of Investments and Other Information for index definitions.

Index performance does not reflect the expenses of managing a portfolio as an index is unmanaged and not available for direct investment.

See "Useful Information About Your Portfolio Report."

* The Portfolio's inception date – September 13, 1993

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Expense Examples

As a shareholder of the Portfolio, you incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs and (2) ongoing costs, including management fees; 12b-1 distribution and shareholder servicing fees (applicable to Service Shares only); transfer agent fees and expenses payable pursuant to the Transfer Agency Agreement; and other Portfolio expenses. This example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Portfolio and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds. The example is based upon an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held for the six-months indicated, unless noted otherwise in the table and footnotes below.

Actual Expenses

The information in the table under the heading "Actual" provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in these columns, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the appropriate column for your share class under the heading entitled "Expenses Paid During Period" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during the period.

Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes

The information in the table under the heading "Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)" provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based upon the Portfolio's actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Portfolio's actual return. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Portfolio and other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds. Additionally, for an analysis of the fees associated with an investment in either share class or other similar funds, please visit www.finra.org/fundanalyzer.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transaction costs, such as any charges at the separate account level or contract level. These fees are fully described in the Portfolio's prospectuses. Therefore, the hypothetical examples are useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. In addition, if these transaction costs were included, your costs would have been higher.

	Actual			Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)			Net Annualized Expense Ratio (1/1/17 - 6/30/17)
	Beginning Account Value (1/1/17)	Ending Account Value (6/30/17)	Expenses Paid During Period (1/1/17 - 6/30/17)†	Beginning Account Value (1/1/17)	Ending Account Value (6/30/17)	Expenses Paid During Period (1/1/17 - 6/30/17)†	
Institutional Shares	\$1,000.00	\$1,143.30	\$3.93	\$1,000.00	\$1,021.12	\$3.71	0.74%
Service Shares	\$1,000.00	\$1,141.60	\$5.20	\$1,000.00	\$1,019.93	\$4.91	0.98%

† Expenses Paid During Period are equal to the Net Annualized Expense Ratio multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 181/365 (to reflect the one-half year period). Expenses in the examples include the effect of applicable fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, if any. Had such waivers and/or reimbursements not been in effect, your expenses would have been higher. Please refer to the Notes to Financial Statements or the Portfolio's prospectuses for more information regarding waivers and/or reimbursements.

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	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Value</i>
Common Stocks – 94.0%		
Aerospace & Defense – 2.0%		
HEICO Corp	148,505	\$9,214,735
Teledyne Technologies Inc*	96,017	12,256,570
		21,471,305
Air Freight & Logistics – 0.6%		
Expeditors International of Washington Inc	118,190	6,675,371
Airlines – 1.6%		
Ryanair Holdings PLC (ADR)*	156,050	16,792,540
Banks – 0.5%		
SVB Financial Group*	28,845	5,070,663
Biotechnology – 2.7%		
Alkermes PLC*	87,868	5,093,708
Celgene Corp*	101,694	13,207,000
Neurocrine Biosciences Inc*	128,843	5,926,778
TESARO Inc*	29,109	4,071,185
		28,298,671
Building Products – 1.0%		
AO Smith Corp	187,700	10,573,141
Capital Markets – 4.7%		
LPL Financial Holdings Inc	319,066	13,547,542
MSCI Inc	128,595	13,243,999
TD Ameritrade Holding Corp	528,045	22,700,655
		49,492,196
Commercial Services & Supplies – 1.8%		
Edenred	321,747	8,388,512
Ritchie Bros Auctioneers Inc	377,759	10,856,794
		19,245,306
Communications Equipment – 0.6%		
Harris Corp	62,566	6,824,699
Containers & Packaging – 1.6%		
Sealed Air Corp	385,812	17,268,945
Diversified Consumer Services – 1.4%		
ServiceMaster Global Holdings Inc*	363,409	14,241,999
Electrical Equipment – 2.9%		
AMETEK Inc	101,894	6,171,720
Sensata Technologies Holding NV*	581,594	24,845,696
		31,017,416
Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components – 6.5%		
Amphenol Corp	94,358	6,965,508
Belden Inc	126,193	9,518,738
Flex Ltd*	938,916	15,313,720
National Instruments Corp	437,154	17,582,334
TE Connectivity Ltd†	249,241	19,610,282
		68,990,582
Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) – 4.1%		
Crown Castle International Corp	207,128	20,750,083
Lamar Advertising Co	306,204	22,527,428
		43,277,511
Health Care Equipment & Supplies – 8.8%		
Boston Scientific Corp*	806,024	22,342,985
Cooper Cos Inc	42,919	10,275,667
DexCom Inc*	98,410	7,198,692
ICU Medical Inc*	33,765	5,824,463
STERIS PLC	207,155	16,883,132
Teleflex Inc	63,436	13,179,463
Varian Medical Systems Inc*	173,014	17,853,315
		93,557,717
Health Care Providers & Services – 0.9%		
Henry Schein Inc*	54,046	9,891,499

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	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Value</i>
Common Stocks – (continued)		
Health Care Technology – 1.7%		
athenahealth Inc*	124,917	\$17,557,084
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure – 2.6%		
Dunkin' Brands Group Inc	285,274	15,724,303
Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings Ltd*	212,539	11,538,742
		27,263,045
Industrial Conglomerates – 1.1%		
Carlisle Cos Inc	61,442	5,861,567
Roper Technologies Inc	25,668	5,942,912
		11,804,479
Information Technology Services – 8.9%		
Amdocs Ltd	284,522	18,340,288
Broadridge Financial Solutions Inc	168,668	12,744,554
Euronet Worldwide Inc*	45,657	3,989,052
Fidelity National Information Services Inc	149,756	12,789,162
Gartner Inc*	82,390	10,175,989
Global Payments Inc	121,132	10,940,642
Jack Henry & Associates Inc	100,714	10,461,163
WEX Inc*	138,445	14,435,660
		93,876,510
Insurance – 1.8%		
Aon PLC	145,017	19,280,010
Internet Software & Services – 2.8%		
Cimpress NV*.#	169,933	16,063,766
CoStar Group Inc*	51,156	13,484,722
		29,548,488
Leisure Products – 0.5%		
Polaris Industries Inc#	55,531	5,121,624
Life Sciences Tools & Services – 5.2%		
PerkinElmer Inc	294,402	20,060,552
Quintiles IMS Holdings Inc*	208,955	18,701,472
Waters Corp*	88,171	16,209,357
		54,971,381
Machinery – 2.3%		
Middleby Corp*	48,237	5,861,278
Rexnord Corp*	539,042	12,532,727
Wabtec Corp/DE	65,260	5,971,290
		24,365,295
Media – 1.0%		
Omnicom Group Inc	131,359	10,889,661
Multiline Retail – 0.5%		
Dollar General Corp	75,737	5,459,880
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels – 0.7%		
World Fuel Services Corp	178,144	6,849,637
Professional Services – 2.7%		
IHS Markit Ltd*	207,185	9,124,427
Verisk Analytics Inc*. [†]	234,959	19,823,491
		28,947,918
Road & Rail – 1.6%		
Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd	49,264	7,922,144
Old Dominion Freight Line Inc	91,975	8,759,699
		16,681,843
Semiconductor & Semiconductor Equipment – 6.4%		
KLA-Tencor Corp	152,971	13,998,376
Lam Research Corp	98,968	13,997,044
Microchip Technology Inc	128,880	9,946,958
ON Semiconductor Corp*	865,251	12,148,124
Xilinx Inc	271,663	17,473,364
		67,563,866

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	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Value</i>
Common Stocks – (continued)		
Software – 9.1%		
Atlassian Corp PLC*	349,128	\$12,282,323
Cadence Design Systems Inc*	301,979	10,113,277
Constellation Software Inc/Canada	36,314	19,000,294
Intuit Inc	72,594	9,641,209
Nice Ltd (ADR)	246,748	19,424,003
SS&C Technologies Holdings Inc	491,076	18,862,229
Ultimate Software Group Inc*	34,460	7,238,668
		96,562,003
Specialty Retail – 0.8%		
Tractor Supply Co	48,569	2,632,925
Williams-Sonoma Inc	111,577	5,411,485
		8,044,410
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods – 2.6%		
Carter's Inc	75,142	6,683,881
Gildan Activewear Inc	503,751	15,480,268
Lululemon Athletica Inc*	96,359	5,749,742
		27,913,891
Total Common Stocks (cost \$621,538,737)		995,390,586
Preferred Stocks – 0.1%		
Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components – 0.1%		
Belden Inc, 6.7500% (cost \$1,200,000)	12,000	1,244,760
Investment Companies – 6.5%		
Investments Purchased with Cash Collateral from Securities Lending – 0.4%		
Janus Cash Collateral Fund LLC, 0.8560% ^{0.0} £	4,215,088	4,215,088
Money Markets – 6.1%		
Janus Cash Liquidity Fund LLC, 0.9803% ^{0.0} £	64,741,028	64,741,028
Total Investment Companies (cost \$68,956,116)		68,956,116
Total Investments (total cost \$691,694,853) – 100.6%		1,065,591,462
Liabilities, net of Cash, Receivables and Other Assets – (0.6)%		(6,697,124)
Net Assets – 100%		\$1,058,894,338

Summary of Investments by Country - (Long Positions) (unaudited)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Value</i>	<i>% of Investment Securities</i>
United States	\$955,444,584	89.7 %
Canada	53,259,500	5.0
Israel	19,424,003	1.8
Ireland	16,792,540	1.6
Australia	12,282,323	1.1
France	8,388,512	0.8
Total	\$1,065,591,462	100.0 %

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Schedule of Foreign Currency Contracts, Open

<i>Counterparty/ Currency</i>	<i>Settlement Date</i>	<i>Currency Units Sold</i>	<i>Currency Value</i>	<i>Unrealized Appreciation/ (Depreciation)</i>
Bank of America:				
Euro	7/13/17	1,816,000	\$ 2,074,937	\$ (34,280)
Barclays Capital, Inc.:				
Canadian Dollar	7/20/17	556,000	428,968	(10,222)
Euro	7/20/17	2,976,000	3,401,876	(76,449)
			3,830,844	(86,671)
Citibank NA:				
Canadian Dollar	7/20/17	2,209,000	1,704,298	(40,606)
Euro	7/20/17	5,218,000	5,964,715	(134,774)
			7,669,013	(175,380)
HSBC Securities (USA), Inc.:				
Canadian Dollar	7/13/17	2,329,000	1,796,558	(70,261)
Euro	7/13/17	1,407,000	1,607,619	(28,079)
			3,404,177	(98,340)
JPMorgan Chase & Co.:				
Euro	7/20/17	4,748,000	5,427,456	(128,322)
RBC Capital Markets Corp.:				
Canadian Dollar	7/13/17	4,518,000	3,485,123	(136,780)
Euro	7/13/17	4,740,000	5,415,861	(93,708)
			8,900,984	(230,488)
Total			\$ 31,307,411	\$ (753,481)

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Russell Midcap[®] Growth Index Russell Midcap[®] Growth Index reflects the performance of U.S. mid-cap equities with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values.

ADR American Depositary Receipt

LLC Limited Liability Company

PLC Public Limited Company

* Non-income producing security.

† A portion of this security has been segregated to cover margin or segregation requirements on open futures contracts, forward currency contracts, options contracts, short sales, swap agreements, and/or securities with extended settlement dates, the value of which, as of June 30, 2017, is \$22,917,250.

°° Rate shown is the 7-day yield as of June 30, 2017.

Loaned security; a portion of the security is on loan at June 30, 2017.

£ The Portfolio may invest in certain securities that are considered affiliated companies. As defined by the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, an affiliated company is one in which the Portfolio owns 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities, or a company which is under common ownership or control. The following securities were considered affiliated companies for all or some portion of the period ended June 30, 2017. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in the table is for the period ended June 30, 2017.

	<i>Share Balance at 12/31/16</i>	<i>Purchases</i>	<i>Sales</i>	<i>Share Balance at 6/30/17</i>	<i>Realized Gain/(Loss)</i>	<i>Dividend Income</i>	<i>Value at 6/30/17</i>
Janus Cash Collateral Fund LLC	6,464,316	55,156,346	(57,405,574)	4,215,088	\$—	\$43,692 ⁽¹⁾	\$4,215,088
Janus Cash Liquidity Fund LLC	30,395,468	103,098,560	(68,753,000)	64,741,028	—	159,182	64,741,028
Total					\$—	\$202,874	\$68,956,116

(1) Net of income paid to the securities lending agent and rebates paid to the borrowing counterparties.

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Notes to Schedule of Investments and Other Information (unaudited)

The following is a summary of the inputs that were used to value the Portfolio's investments in securities and other financial instruments as of June 30, 2017. See Notes to Financial Statements for more information.

Valuation Inputs Summary

	<i>Level 1 - Quotes Prices</i>	<i>Level 2 - Other Significant Observable Inputs</i>	<i>Level 3 - Significant Unobservable Inputs</i>
Assets			
Investments in Securities:			
<i>Common Stocks</i>	\$ 995,390,586	\$ -	\$ -
<i>Preferred Stocks</i>	-	1,244,760	-
<i>Investment Companies</i>	-	68,956,116	-
Total Assets	\$ 995,390,586	\$ 70,200,876	\$ -
Liabilities			
Other Financial Instruments^(a):			
<i>Forward Currency Contracts</i>	\$ -	\$ 753,481	\$ -

(a) Other financial instruments include forward currency, futures, written options, written swaptions, and swap contracts. Forward currency contracts are reported at their unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) at measurement date, which represents the change in the contract's value from trade date. Futures, certain written options on futures, and centrally cleared swap contracts are reported at their variation margin at measurement date, which represents the amount due to/from the Portfolio at that date. Written options, written swaptions, and other swap contracts are reported at their market value at measurement date.

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities (unaudited)

June 30, 2017

Assets:		
Investments, at cost	\$	691,694,853
Unaffiliated investments, at value ⁽¹⁾		996,635,346
Affiliated investments, at value		68,956,116
Cash		22,057
Non-interested Trustees' deferred compensation		18,879
Receivables:		
Investments sold		1,426,732
Portfolio shares sold		363,901
Dividends		303,491
Dividends from affiliates		46,934
Other assets		2,497
Total Assets		1,067,775,953
Liabilities:		
Foreign cash due to custodian		16,801
Collateral for securities loaned (Note 3)		4,215,088
Forward currency contracts		753,481
Closed foreign currency contracts		16,833
Payables:		
Portfolio shares repurchased		3,055,962
Advisory fees		595,460
12b-1 Distribution and shareholder servicing fees		107,644
Transfer agent fees and expenses		49,990
Non-interested Trustees' deferred compensation fees		18,879
Professional fees		15,040
Portfolio administration fees		8,839
Non-interested Trustees' fees and expenses		5,342
Custodian fees		184
Accrued expenses and other payables		22,072
Total Liabilities		8,881,615
Net Assets	\$	1,058,894,338
Net Assets Consist of:		
Capital (par value and paid-in surplus)	\$	657,654,343
Undistributed net investment income/(loss)		677,470
Undistributed net realized gain/(loss) from investments and foreign currency transactions		27,416,734
Unrealized net appreciation/(depreciation) of investments, foreign currency translations and non-interested Trustees' deferred compensation		373,145,791
Total Net Assets	\$	1,058,894,338
Net Assets - Institutional Shares	\$	564,150,434
Shares Outstanding, \$0.01 Par Value (unlimited shares authorized)		8,900,161
Net Asset Value Per Share	\$	63.39
Net Assets - Service Shares	\$	494,743,904
Shares Outstanding, \$0.01 Par Value (unlimited shares authorized)		8,260,207
Net Asset Value Per Share	\$	59.89

(1) Includes \$4,122,990 of securities on loan. See Note 3 in Notes to Financial Statements.

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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Statement of Operations (unaudited)
For the period ended June 30, 2017

Investment Income:		
Dividends	\$	4,299,407
Dividends from affiliates		159,182
Affiliated securities lending income, net		43,692
Other income		24
Foreign tax withheld		(98,095)
Total Investment Income		4,404,210
Expenses:		
Advisory fees		3,123,230
12b-1 Distribution and shareholder servicing fees:		
Service Shares		565,966
Transfer agent administrative fees and expenses:		
Institutional Shares		130,809
Service Shares		113,193
Other transfer agent fees and expenses:		
Institutional Shares		9,311
Service Shares		4,943
Shareholder reports expense		62,707
Portfolio administration fees		44,569
Professional fees		19,939
Registration fees		13,307
Non-interested Trustees' fees and expenses		9,547
Custodian fees		9,369
Other expenses		36,981
Total Expenses		4,143,871
Net Investment Income/(Loss)		260,339
Net Realized Gain/(Loss) on Investments:		
Investments and foreign currency transactions		27,819,239
Total Net Realized Gain/(Loss) on Investments		27,819,239
Change in Unrealized Net Appreciation/Depreciation:		
Investments, foreign currency translations and non-interested Trustees' deferred compensation		101,232,328
Total Change in Unrealized Net Appreciation/Depreciation		101,232,328
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	\$	129,311,906

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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Statements of Changes in Net Assets

	<i>Period ended</i>	
	<i>June 30, 2017</i>	<i>Year ended</i>
	<i>(unaudited)</i>	<i>December 31, 2016</i>
Operations:		
Net investment income/(loss)	\$ 260,339	\$ 2,910,449
Net realized gain/(loss) on investments	27,819,239	68,045,643
Change in unrealized net appreciation/depreciation	101,232,328	24,741,659
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	129,311,906	95,697,751
Dividends and Distributions to Shareholders:		
Dividends from Net Investment Income		
Institutional Shares	(1,431,060)	(643,985)
Service Shares	(715,202)	(98,035)
Total Dividends from Net Investment Income	(2,146,262)	(742,020)
Distributions from Net Realized Gain from Investment Transactions		
Institutional Shares	(35,399,828)	(34,561,214)
Service Shares	(32,692,941)	(31,048,820)
Total Distributions from Net Realized Gain from Investment Transactions	(68,092,769)	(65,610,034)
Net Decrease from Dividends and Distributions to Shareholders	(70,239,031)	(66,352,054)
Capital Share Transactions:		
Institutional Shares	72,116,767	25,003,153
Service Shares	49,203,570	84,512,086
Net Increase/(Decrease) from Capital Share Transactions	121,320,337	109,515,239
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets	180,393,212	138,860,936
Net Assets:		
Beginning of period	878,501,126	739,640,190
End of period	\$ 1,058,894,338	\$ 878,501,126
Undistributed Net Investment Income/(Loss)	\$ 677,470	\$ 2,563,393

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Financial Highlights

Institutional Shares

For a share outstanding during the period ended June 30, 2017 (unaudited) and each year ended

December 31	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$59.27	\$57.33	\$61.75	\$58.96	\$44.77	\$38.17
Income/(Loss) from Investment Operations:						
Net investment income/(loss)	0.05 ⁽¹⁾	0.28 ⁽¹⁾	0.27 ⁽¹⁾	0.27 ⁽¹⁾	0.22	0.30
Net realized and unrealized gain/(loss)	8.47	6.50	2.55	6.79	14.23	6.30
Total from Investment Operations	8.52	6.78	2.82	7.06	14.45	6.60
Less Dividends and Distributions:						
Dividends (from net investment income)	(0.17)	(0.09)	(0.40)	(0.10)	(0.26)	—
Distributions (from capital gains)	(4.23)	(4.75)	(6.84)	(4.17)	—	—
Total Dividends and Distributions	(4.40)	(4.84)	(7.24)	(4.27)	(0.26)	—
Net Asset Value, End of Period	\$63.39	\$59.27	\$57.33	\$61.75	\$58.96	\$44.77
Total Return*	14.33%	12.36%	4.05%	12.50%	32.38%	17.29%
Net Assets, End of Period (in thousands)	\$564,150	\$459,250	\$418,158	\$417,895	\$407,049	\$341,699
Average Net Assets for the Period (in thousands)	\$526,435	\$435,190	\$427,941	\$402,634	\$373,893	\$344,014
Ratios to Average Net Assets**:						
Ratio of Gross Expenses	0.74%	0.72%	0.68%	0.68%	0.69%	0.69%
Ratio of Net Expenses (After Waivers and Expense Offsets)	0.74%	0.72%	0.68%	0.68%	0.69%	0.69%
Ratio of Net Investment Income/(Loss)	0.17%	0.48%	0.44%	0.45%	0.28%	0.52%
Portfolio Turnover Rate	7%	20%	22%	16%	15%	15%

Service Shares

For a share outstanding during the period ended June 30, 2017 (unaudited) and each year ended

December 31	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$56.22	\$54.67	\$59.26	\$56.80	\$43.18	\$36.91
Income/(Loss) from Investment Operations:						
Net investment income/(loss)	(0.03) ⁽¹⁾	0.12 ⁽¹⁾	0.11 ⁽¹⁾	0.12 ⁽¹⁾	(0.03)	0.09
Net realized and unrealized gain/(loss)	8.02	6.19	2.45	6.53	13.83	6.18
Total from Investment Operations	7.99	6.31	2.56	6.65	13.80	6.27
Less Dividends and Distributions:						
Dividends (from net investment income)	(0.09)	(0.01)	(0.31)	(0.02)	(0.18)	—
Distributions (from capital gains)	(4.23)	(4.75)	(6.84)	(4.17)	—	—
Total Dividends and Distributions	(4.32)	(4.76)	(7.15)	(4.19)	(0.18)	—
Net Asset Value, End of Period	\$59.89	\$56.22	\$54.67	\$59.26	\$56.80	\$43.18
Total Return*	14.16%	12.10%	3.77%	12.24%	32.04%	16.99%
Net Assets, End of Period (in thousands)	\$494,744	\$419,251	\$321,482	\$278,240	\$260,670	\$212,971
Average Net Assets for the Period (in thousands)	\$455,712	\$373,400	\$299,393	\$262,698	\$234,925	\$206,153
Ratios to Average Net Assets**:						
Ratio of Gross Expenses	0.98%	0.97%	0.94%	0.93%	0.94%	0.94%
Ratio of Net Expenses (After Waivers and Expense Offsets)	0.98%	0.97%	0.94%	0.93%	0.94%	0.94%
Ratio of Net Investment Income/(Loss)	(0.08)%	0.22%	0.19%	0.20%	0.03%	0.28%
Portfolio Turnover Rate	7%	20%	22%	16%	15%	15%

* Total return not annualized for periods of less than one full year.

** Annualized for periods of less than one full year.

(1) Per share amounts are calculated based on average shares outstanding during the year or period.

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1. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

Janus Henderson VIT Enterprise Portfolio (formerly named Janus Aspen Enterprise Portfolio) (the "Portfolio") is a series of Janus Aspen Series (the "Trust"), which is organized as a Delaware statutory trust and is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as an open-end management investment company, and therefore has applied the specialized accounting and reporting guidance in Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 946. The Trust offers twelve portfolios, each of which offers multiple share classes, with differing investment objectives and policies. The Portfolio seeks long-term growth of capital. The Portfolio is classified as diversified, as defined in the 1940 Act.

The Portfolio currently offers two classes of shares: Institutional Shares and Service Shares. Each class represents an interest in the same portfolio of investments. Institutional Shares are offered only in connection with investment in and payments under variable insurance contracts as well as certain qualified retirement plans. Service Shares are offered only in connection with investment in and payments under variable insurance contracts as well as certain qualified retirement plans that require a fee from Portfolio assets to procure distribution and administrative services to contract owners and plan participants.

Shareholders, including other portfolios, participating insurance companies, as well as accounts, may from time to time own (beneficially or of record) a significant percentage of the Portfolio's Shares and can be considered to "control" the Portfolio when that ownership exceeds 25% of the Portfolio's assets (and which may differ from control as determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America).

The following accounting policies have been followed by the Portfolio and are in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Investment Valuation

Securities held by the Portfolio are valued in accordance with policies and procedures established by and under the supervision of the Trustees (the "Valuation Procedures"). Equity securities traded on a domestic securities exchange are generally valued at the closing prices on the primary market or exchange on which they trade. If such price is lacking for the trading period immediately preceding the time of determination, such securities are valued at their current bid price. Equity securities that are traded on a foreign exchange are generally valued at the closing prices on such markets. In the event that there is no current trading volume on a particular security in such foreign exchange, the bid price from the primary exchange is generally used to value the security. Securities that are traded on the over-the-counter ("OTC") markets are generally valued at their closing or latest bid prices as available. Foreign securities and currencies are converted to U.S. dollars using the applicable exchange rate in effect at the close of the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). The Portfolio will determine the market value of individual securities held by it by using prices provided by one or more approved professional pricing services or, as needed, by obtaining market quotations from independent broker-dealers. Most debt securities are valued in accordance with the evaluated bid price supplied by the pricing service that is intended to reflect market value. The evaluated bid price supplied by the pricing service is an evaluation that may consider factors such as security prices, yields, maturities and ratings. Certain short-term securities maturing within 60 days or less may be evaluated and valued on an amortized cost basis provided that the amortized cost determined approximates market value. Securities for which market quotations or evaluated prices are not readily available or deemed unreliable are valued at fair value determined in good faith under the Valuation Procedures. Circumstances in which fair value pricing may be utilized include, but are not limited to: (i) a significant event that may affect the securities of a single issuer, such as a merger, bankruptcy, or significant issuer-specific development; (ii) an event that may affect an entire market, such as a natural disaster or significant governmental action; (iii) a nonsignificant event such as a market closing early or not opening, or a security trading halt; and (iv) pricing of a nonvalued security and a restricted or nonpublic security. Special valuation considerations may apply with respect to "odd-lot" fixed-income transactions which, due to their small size, may receive evaluated prices by pricing services which reflect a large block trade and not what actually could be obtained for the odd-lot position. The Portfolio uses systematic fair valuation models provided by independent third parties to value international equity securities in order to adjust for stale pricing, which may occur between the close of certain foreign exchanges and the close of the NYSE.

Valuation Inputs Summary

FASB ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures ("ASC 820"), defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosure requirements regarding fair value measurements. This standard emphasizes that fair value is a market-based measurement that should be determined based on the assumptions that

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market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability and establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. These inputs are summarized into three broad levels:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets the Portfolio has the ability to access for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 – Observable inputs other than unadjusted quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly. These inputs may include quoted prices for the identical instrument on an inactive market, prices for similar instruments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, default rates and similar data.

Assets or liabilities categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy generally include: debt securities fair valued in accordance with the evaluated bid or ask prices supplied by a pricing service; securities traded on OTC markets and listed securities for which no sales are reported that are fair valued at the latest bid price (or yield equivalent thereof) obtained from one or more dealers transacting in a market for such securities or by a pricing service approved by the Portfolio's Trustees; certain short-term debt securities with maturities of 60 days or less that are fair valued at amortized cost; and equity securities of foreign issuers whose fair value is determined by using systematic fair valuation models provided by independent third parties in order to adjust for stale pricing which may occur between the close of certain foreign exchanges and the close of the NYSE. Other securities that may be categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy include, but are not limited to, preferred stocks, bank loans, swaps, investments in unregistered investment companies, options, and forward contracts.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability to the extent that relevant observable inputs are not available, representing the Portfolio's own assumptions about the assumptions that a market participant would use in valuing the asset or liability, and that would be based on the best information available.

There have been no significant changes in valuation techniques used in valuing any such positions held by the Portfolio since the beginning of the fiscal year.

The inputs or methodology used for fair valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. The summary of inputs used as of June 30, 2017 to fair value the Portfolio's investments in securities and other financial instruments is included in the "Valuation Inputs Summary" in the Notes to Schedule of Investments and Other Information.

The Portfolio recognizes transfers between the levels as of the beginning of the fiscal year. The following describes the amounts of transfers between Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy during the period.

Financial assets of \$21,923,186 were transferred out of Level 2 to Level 1 since certain foreign equity prices were applied a fair valuation adjustment factor at the end of the prior fiscal year and no factor was applied at the end of the current period.

Investment Transactions and Investment Income

Investment transactions are accounted for as of the date purchased or sold (trade date). Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Certain dividends from foreign securities will be recorded as soon as the Portfolio is informed of the dividend, if such information is obtained subsequent to the ex-dividend date. Dividends from foreign securities may be subject to withholding taxes in foreign jurisdictions. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis and includes amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts. Gains and losses are determined on the identified cost basis, which is the same basis used for federal income tax purposes. Income, as well as gains and losses, both realized and unrealized, are allocated daily to each class of shares based upon the ratio of net assets represented by each class as a percentage of total net assets.

Expenses

The Portfolio bears expenses incurred specifically on its behalf. Each class of shares bears a portion of general expenses, which are allocated daily to each class of shares based upon the ratio of net assets represented by each class as a percentage of total net assets. Expenses directly attributable to a specific class of shares are charged against the operations of such class.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and

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liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Indemnifications

In the normal course of business, the Portfolio may enter into contracts that contain provisions for indemnification of other parties against certain potential liabilities. The Portfolio's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, and would involve future claims that may be made against the Portfolio that have not yet occurred. Currently, the risk of material loss from such claims is considered remote.

Foreign Currency Translations

The Portfolio does not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in market prices of securities held at the date of the financial statements. Net unrealized appreciation or depreciation of investments and foreign currency translations arise from changes in the value of assets and liabilities, including investments in securities held at the date of the financial statements, resulting from changes in the exchange rates and changes in market prices of securities held.

Currency gains and losses are also calculated on payables and receivables that are denominated in foreign currencies. The payables and receivables are generally related to foreign security transactions and income translations.

Foreign currency-denominated assets and forward currency contracts may involve more risks than domestic transactions, including currency risk, counterparty risk, political and economic risk, regulatory risk and equity risk. Risks may arise from unanticipated movements in the value of foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar.

Dividends and Distributions

The Portfolio may make semiannual distributions of substantially all of its investment income and an annual distribution of its net realized capital gains (if any).

The Portfolio may make certain investments in real estate investment trusts ("REITs") which pay dividends to their shareholders based upon funds available from operations. It is quite common for these dividends to exceed the REITs' taxable earnings and profits, resulting in the excess portion of such dividends being designated as a return of capital. If the Portfolio distributes such amounts, such distributions could constitute a return of capital to shareholders for federal income tax purposes.

Federal Income Taxes

The Portfolio intends to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company and distribute all of its taxable income in accordance with the requirements of Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code. Management has analyzed the Portfolio's tax positions taken for all open federal income tax years, generally a three-year period, and has concluded that no provision for federal income tax is required in the Portfolio's financial statements. The Portfolio is not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly change in the next twelve months.

2. Derivative Instruments

The Portfolio may invest in various types of derivatives, which may at times result in significant derivative exposure. A derivative is a financial instrument whose performance is derived from the performance of another asset. The Portfolio may invest in derivative instruments including, but not limited to: futures contracts, put options, call options, options on future contracts, options on foreign currencies, options on recovery locks, options on security and commodity indices, swaps, forward contracts, structured investments, and other equity-linked derivatives. Each derivative instrument that was held by the Portfolio during the period ended June 30, 2017 is discussed in further detail below. A summary of derivative activity by the Fund is reflected in the tables at the end of this section.

The Portfolio may use derivative instruments for hedging purposes (to offset risks associated with an investment, currency exposure, or market conditions), to adjust currency exposure relative to a benchmark index, or for speculative purposes (to earn income and seek to enhance returns). When the Portfolio invests in a derivative for speculative purposes, the Portfolio will be fully exposed to the risks of loss of that derivative, which may sometimes be greater than the derivative's cost. The Portfolio may not use any derivative to gain exposure to an asset or class of assets that it would be prohibited by its investment restrictions from purchasing directly. The Portfolio's ability to use derivative instruments may also be limited by tax considerations.

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Investments in derivatives in general are subject to market risks that may cause their prices to fluctuate over time. Investments in derivatives may not directly correlate with the price movements of the underlying instrument. As a result, the use of derivatives may expose the Portfolio to additional risks that it would not be subject to if it invested directly in the securities underlying those derivatives. The use of derivatives may result in larger losses or smaller gains than otherwise would be the case. Derivatives can be volatile and may involve significant risks.

In pursuit of its investment objective, the Portfolio may seek to use derivatives to increase or decrease exposure to the following market risk factors:

- **Commodity Risk** – the risk related to the change in value of commodities or commodity-linked investments due to changes in the overall market movements, volatility of the underlying benchmark, changes in interest rates, or other factors affecting a particular industry of commodity such as drought, floods, weather, livestock disease, embargoes, tariffs, and international economic, political, and regulatory developments.
- **Counterparty Risk** – the risk that the counterparty (the party on the other side of the transaction) on a derivative transaction will be unable to honor its financial obligation to the Portfolio.
- **Credit Risk** – the risk an issuer will be unable to make principal and interest payments when due, or will default on its obligations.
- **Currency Risk** – the risk that changes in the exchange rate between currencies will adversely affect the value (in U.S. dollar terms) of an investment.
- **Equity Risk** – the risk related to the change in value of equity securities as they relate to increases or decreases in the general market.
- **Index Risk** – if the derivative is linked to the performance of an index, it will be subject to the risks associated with changes in that index. If the index changes, the Portfolio could receive lower interest payments or experience a reduction in the value of the derivative to below what the Portfolio paid. Certain indexed securities, including inverse securities (which move in an opposite direction to the index), may create leverage, to the extent that they increase or decrease in value at a rate that is a multiple of the changes in the applicable index.
- **Interest Rate Risk** – the risk that the value of fixed-income securities will generally decline as prevailing interest rates rise, which may cause the Portfolio's NAV to likewise decrease.
- **Leverage Risk** – the risk associated with certain types of leveraged investments or trading strategies pursuant to which relatively small market movements may result in large changes in the value of an investment. The Portfolio creates leverage by investing in instruments, including derivatives, where the investment loss can exceed the original amount invested. Certain investments or trading strategies, such as short sales, that involve leverage can result in losses that greatly exceed the amount originally invested.
- **Liquidity Risk** – the risk that certain securities may be difficult or impossible to sell at the time that the seller would like or at the price that the seller believes the security is currently worth.

Derivatives may generally be traded OTC or on an exchange. Derivatives traded OTC are agreements that are individually negotiated between parties and can be tailored to meet a purchaser's needs. OTC derivatives are not guaranteed by a clearing agency and may be subject to increased credit risk.

In an effort to mitigate credit risk associated with derivatives traded OTC, the Portfolio may enter into collateral agreements with certain counterparties whereby, subject to certain minimum exposure requirements, the Portfolio may require the counterparty to post collateral if the Portfolio has a net aggregate unrealized gain on all OTC derivative contracts with a particular counterparty. There is no guarantee that counterparty exposure is reduced and these arrangements are dependent on Janus Capital's ability to establish and maintain appropriate systems and trading.

Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts

A forward foreign currency exchange contract ("forward currency contract") is an obligation to buy or sell a specified currency at a future date at a negotiated rate (which may be U.S. dollars or a foreign currency). The Portfolio may enter into forward currency contracts for hedging purposes, including, but not limited to, reducing exposure to changes in foreign currency exchange rates on foreign portfolio holdings and locking in the U.S. dollar cost of firm purchase and sale commitments for securities denominated in or exposed to foreign currencies. The Portfolio may also invest in

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forward currency contracts for nonhedging purposes such as seeking to enhance returns. The Portfolio is subject to currency risk and counterparty risk in the normal course of pursuing its investment objective through its investments in forward currency contracts.

Forward currency contracts are valued by converting the foreign value to U.S. dollars by using the current spot U.S. dollar exchange rate and/or forward rate for that currency. Exchange and forward rates as of the close of the NYSE shall be used to value the forward currency contracts. The unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) for forward currency contracts is reported in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as a receivable or payable and in the Statement of Operations for the change in unrealized net appreciation/depreciation (if applicable). The gain or loss arising from the difference between the U.S. dollar cost of the original contract and the value of the foreign currency in U.S. dollars upon closing a forward currency contract is reported on the Statement of Operations (if applicable).

During the period, the Portfolio entered into forward currency contracts with the obligation to sell foreign currencies in the future at an agreed upon rate in order to decrease exposure to currency risk associated with foreign currency denominated securities held by the Portfolio.

During the period ended June 30, 2017, the average ending monthly currency value amounts on sold forward currency contracts is \$26,876,057.

The following table, grouped by derivative type, provides information about the fair value and location of derivatives within the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of June 30, 2017.

Fair Value of Derivative Instruments (not accounted for as hedging instruments) as of June 30, 2017

	<i>Currency Contracts</i>
<i>Liability Derivatives:</i>	
Forward currency contracts	\$753,481

The following tables provide information about the effect of derivatives and hedging activities on the Portfolio's Statement of Operations for the period ended June 30, 2017.

The effect of Derivative Instruments (not accounted for as hedging instruments) on the Statement of Operations for the period ended June 30, 2017

	<i>Currency Contracts</i>
<i>Amount of Realized Gain/(Loss) Recognized on Derivatives</i>	
<i>Derivative</i>	
Investments and foreign currency transactions	\$(1,018,803) ^(a)

	<i>Currency Contracts</i>
<i>Amount of Change in Unrealized Appreciation/Depreciation Recognized on Derivatives</i>	
<i>Derivative</i>	
Investments, foreign currency translations and non-interested Trustees' deferred compensation	\$ (815,454) ^(a)

(a) Amounts relate to forward currency contracts.

Please see the "Net Realized Gain/(Loss) on Investments" and "Change in Unrealized Net Appreciation/Depreciation" sections of the Portfolio's Statement of Operations.

3. Other Investments and Strategies

Additional Investment Risk

The financial crisis in both the U.S. and global economies over the past several years has resulted, and may continue to result, in a significant decline in the value and liquidity of many securities of issuers worldwide in the equity and fixed-

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income/credit markets. In response to the crisis, the United States and certain foreign governments, along with the U.S. Federal Reserve and certain foreign central banks, took steps to support the financial markets. The withdrawal of this support, a failure of measures put in place to respond to the crisis, or investor perception that such efforts were not sufficient could each negatively affect financial markets generally, and the value and liquidity of specific securities. In addition, policy and legislative changes in the United States and in other countries continue to impact many aspects of financial regulation. The effect of these changes on the markets, and the practical implications for market participants, including the Portfolio, may not be fully known for some time. As a result, it may also be unusually difficult to identify both investment risks and opportunities, which could limit or preclude the Portfolio's ability to achieve its investment objective. Therefore, it is important to understand that the value of your investment may fall, sometimes sharply, and you could lose money.

The enactment of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act") of 2010 provided for widespread regulation of financial institutions, consumer financial products and services, broker-dealers, OTC derivatives, investment advisers, credit rating agencies, and mortgage lending, which expanded federal oversight in the financial sector, including the investment management industry. Many provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act remain pending and will be implemented through future rulemaking. Therefore, the ultimate impact of the Dodd-Frank Act and the regulations under the Dodd-Frank Act on the Portfolio and the investment management industry as a whole, is not yet certain.

A number of countries in the European Union ("EU") have experienced, and may continue to experience, severe economic and financial difficulties. In particular, many EU nations are susceptible to economic risks associated with high levels of debt, notably due to investments in sovereign debt of countries such as Greece, Italy, Spain, Portugal, and Ireland. Many non-governmental issuers, and even certain governments, have defaulted on, or been forced to restructure, their debts. Many other issuers have faced difficulties obtaining credit or refinancing existing obligations. Financial institutions have in many cases required government or central bank support, have needed to raise capital, and/or have been impaired in their ability to extend credit. As a result, financial markets in the EU experienced extreme volatility and declines in asset values and liquidity. Responses to these financial problems by European governments, central banks, and others, including austerity measures and reforms, may not work, may result in social unrest, and may limit future growth and economic recovery or have other unintended consequences. Further defaults or restructurings by governments and others of their debt could have additional adverse effects on economies, financial markets, and asset valuations around the world. Greece, Ireland, and Portugal have already received one or more "bailouts" from other Eurozone member states, and it is unclear how much additional funding they will require or if additional Eurozone member states will require bailouts in the future. The risk of investing in securities in the European markets may also be heightened due to the referendum in which the United Kingdom voted to exit the EU (known as "Brexit"). There is considerable uncertainty about how Brexit will be conducted, how negotiations of necessary treaties and trade agreements will proceed, or how financial markets will react. In addition, one or more other countries may also abandon the euro and/or withdraw from the EU, placing its currency and banking system in jeopardy.

Certain areas of the world have historically been prone to and economically sensitive to environmental events such as, but not limited to, hurricanes, earthquakes, typhoons, flooding, tidal waves, tsunamis, erupting volcanoes, wildfires or droughts, tornadoes, mudslides, or other weather-related phenomena. Such disasters, and the resulting physical or economic damage, could have a severe and negative impact on the Portfolio's investment portfolio and, in the longer term, could impair the ability of issuers in which the Portfolio invests to conduct their businesses as they would under normal conditions. Adverse weather conditions may also have a particularly significant negative effect on issuers in the agricultural sector and on insurance companies that insure against the impact of natural disasters.

Counterparties

Portfolio transactions involving a counterparty are subject to the risk that the counterparty or a third party will not fulfill its obligation to the Portfolio ("counterparty risk"). Counterparty risk may arise because of the counterparty's financial condition (i.e., financial difficulties, bankruptcy, or insolvency), market activities and developments, or other reasons, whether foreseen or not. A counterparty's inability to fulfill its obligation may result in significant financial loss to the Portfolio. The Portfolio may be unable to recover its investment from the counterparty or may obtain a limited recovery, and/or recovery may be delayed. The extent of the Portfolio's exposure to counterparty risk with respect to financial assets and liabilities approximates its carrying value. See the "Offsetting Assets and Liabilities" section of this Note for further details.

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The Portfolio may be exposed to counterparty risk through participation in various programs, including, but not limited to, lending its securities to third parties, cash sweep arrangements whereby the Portfolio's cash balance is invested in one or more types of cash management vehicles, as well as investments in, but not limited to, repurchase agreements, debt securities, and derivatives, including various types of swaps, futures and options. The Portfolio intends to enter into financial transactions with counterparties that Janus Capital believes to be creditworthy at the time of the transaction. There is always the risk that Janus Capital's analysis of a counterparty's creditworthiness is incorrect or may change due to market conditions. To the extent that the Portfolio focuses its transactions with a limited number of counterparties, it will have greater exposure to the risks associated with one or more counterparties.

Offsetting Assets and Liabilities

The Portfolio presents gross and net information about transactions that are either offset in the financial statements or subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreement with a designated counterparty, regardless of whether the transactions are actually offset in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

In order to better define its contractual rights and to secure rights that will help the Portfolio mitigate its counterparty risk, the Portfolio has entered into an International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. Master Agreement ("ISDA Master Agreement") or similar agreement with its derivative contract counterparties. An ISDA Master Agreement is a bilateral agreement between the Portfolio and a counterparty that governs OTC derivatives and forward foreign currency exchange contracts and typically contains, among other things, collateral posting terms and netting provisions in the event of a default and/or termination event. Under an ISDA Master Agreement, in the event of a default and/or termination event, the Portfolio may offset with each counterparty certain derivative financial instruments' payables and/or receivables with collateral held and/or posted and create one single net payment. For financial reporting purposes, the Portfolio does not offset certain derivative financial instruments' payables and receivables and related collateral on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The following tables present gross amounts of recognized assets and/or liabilities and the net amounts after deducting collateral that has been pledged by counterparties or has been pledged to counterparties (if applicable). For corresponding information grouped by type of instrument, see either the "Fair Value of Derivative Instruments as of June 30, 2017" table located in Note 2 of these Notes to Financial Statements and/or the Portfolio's Schedule of Investments.

Offsetting of Financial Assets and Derivative Assets

<i>Counterparty</i>	<i>Gross Amounts of Recognized Assets</i>	<i>Offsetting Asset or Liability^(a)</i>	<i>Collateral Pledged^(b)</i>	<i>Net Amount</i>
Deutsche Bank AG	\$ 4,122,990	\$ —	\$ (4,122,990)	\$ —

Offsetting of Financial Liabilities and Derivative Liabilities

<i>Counterparty</i>	<i>Gross Amounts of Recognized Liabilities</i>	<i>Offsetting Asset or Liability^(a)</i>	<i>Collateral Pledged^(b)</i>	<i>Net Amount</i>
Bank of America	\$ 34,280	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 34,280
Barclays Capital, Inc.	86,671	—	—	86,671
Citibank NA	175,380	—	—	175,380
HSBC Securities (USA), Inc.	98,340	—	—	98,340
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	128,322	—	—	128,322
RBC Capital Markets Corp.	230,488	—	—	230,488
Total	\$ 753,481	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 753,481

(a) Represents the amount of assets or liabilities that could be offset with the same counterparty under master netting or similar agreements that management elects not to offset on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

(b) Collateral pledged is limited to the net outstanding amount due to/from an individual counterparty. The actual collateral amounts pledged may exceed these amounts and may fluctuate in value.

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Deutsche Bank AG acts as securities lending agent and a limited purpose custodian or subcustodian to receive and disburse cash balances and cash collateral, hold short-term investments, hold collateral, and perform other custodian functions in accordance with the Agency Securities Lending and Repurchase Agreement. Securities on loan will be continuously secured by collateral which may consist of cash, U.S. Government securities, domestic and foreign short-term debt instruments, letters of credit, time deposits, repurchase agreements, money market mutual funds or other money market accounts, or such other collateral as permitted by the SEC. The value of the collateral must be at least 102% of the market value of the loaned securities that are denominated in U.S. dollars and 105% of the market value of the loaned securities that are not denominated in U.S. dollars. Upon receipt of cash collateral, Janus Capital intends to invest the cash collateral in a cash management vehicle for which Janus Capital serves as investment adviser, Janus Cash Collateral Fund LLC. Loaned securities and related collateral are marked-to-market each business day based upon the market value of the loaned securities at the close of business, employing the most recent available pricing information. Collateral levels are then adjusted based on this mark-to-market evaluation.

The Portfolio does not exchange collateral on its forward currency contracts with its counterparties; however, the Portfolio may segregate cash or high-grade securities in an amount at all times equal to or greater than the Portfolio's commitment with respect to these contracts. Such segregated assets, if with the Portfolio's custodian, are denoted on the accompanying Schedule of Investments and are evaluated daily to ensure their market value equals or exceeds the current market value of the Portfolio's corresponding forward currency contracts.

Real Estate Investing

The Portfolio may invest in equity and debt securities of real estate-related companies. Such companies may include those in the real estate industry or real estate-related industries. These securities may include common stocks, corporate bonds, preferred stocks, and other equity securities, including, but not limited to, mortgage-backed securities, real estate-backed securities, securities of REITs and similar REIT-like entities. A REIT is a trust that invests in real estate-related projects, such as properties, mortgage loans, and construction loans. REITs are generally categorized as equity, mortgage, or hybrid REITs. A REIT may be listed on an exchange or traded OTC.

Securities Lending

Under procedures adopted by the Trustees, the Portfolio may seek to earn additional income by lending securities to qualified parties. Deutsche Bank AG acts as securities lending agent and a limited purpose custodian or subcustodian to receive and disburse cash balances and cash collateral, hold short-term investments, hold collateral, and perform other custodian functions. The Portfolio may lend portfolio securities in an amount equal to up to 1/3 of its total assets as determined at the time of the loan origination. There is the risk of delay in recovering a loaned security or the risk of loss in collateral rights if the borrower fails financially. In addition, Janus Capital makes efforts to balance the benefits and risks from granting such loans. All loans will be continuously secured by collateral which may consist of cash, U.S. Government securities, domestic and foreign short-term debt instruments, letters of credit, time deposits, repurchase agreements, money market mutual funds or other money market accounts, or such other collateral as permitted by the SEC. If the Portfolio is unable to recover a security on loan, the Portfolio may use the collateral to purchase replacement securities in the market. There is a risk that the value of the collateral could decrease below the cost of the replacement security by the time the replacement investment is made, resulting in a loss to the Portfolio.

Upon receipt of cash collateral, Janus Capital may invest it in affiliated or non-affiliated cash management vehicles, whether registered or unregistered entities, as permitted by the 1940 Act and rules promulgated thereunder. Janus Capital currently intends to invest the cash collateral in a cash management vehicle for which Janus Capital serves as investment adviser, Janus Cash Collateral Fund LLC. An investment in Janus Cash Collateral Fund LLC is generally subject to the same risks that shareholders experience when investing in similarly structured vehicles, such as the potential for significant fluctuations in assets as a result of the purchase and redemption activity of the securities lending program, a decline in the value of the collateral, and possible liquidity issues. Such risks may delay the return of the cash collateral and cause the Portfolio to violate its agreement to return the cash collateral to a borrower in a timely manner. As adviser to the Portfolio and Janus Cash Collateral Fund LLC, Janus Capital has an inherent conflict of interest as a result of its fiduciary duties to both the Portfolio and Janus Cash Collateral Fund LLC. Additionally, Janus Capital receives an investment advisory fee of 0.05% for managing Janus Cash Collateral Fund LLC, but it may not receive a fee for managing certain other affiliated cash management vehicles in which the Portfolio may invest, and therefore may have an incentive to allocate preferred investment opportunities to investment vehicles for which it is receiving a fee.

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The value of the collateral must be at least 102% of the market value of the loaned securities that are denominated in U.S. dollars and 105% of the market value of the loaned securities that are not denominated in U.S. dollars. Loaned securities and related collateral are marked-to-market each business day based upon the market value of the loaned securities at the close of business, employing the most recent available pricing information. Collateral levels are then adjusted based on this mark-to-market evaluation.

The cash collateral invested by Janus Capital is disclosed in the Schedule of Investments (if applicable). Income earned from the investment of the cash collateral, net of rebates paid to, or fees paid by, borrowers and less the fees paid to the lending agent are included as "Affiliated securities lending income, net" on the Statement of Operations. As of June 30, 2017, securities lending transactions accounted for as secured borrowings with an overnight and continuous contractual maturity are \$4,122,990 for equity securities. Gross amounts of recognized liabilities for securities lending (collateral received) as of June 30, 2017 is \$4,215,088, resulting in the net amount due to the counterparty of \$92,098.

4. Investment Advisory Agreements and Other Transactions with Affiliates

The Portfolio pays Janus Capital an investment advisory fee which is calculated daily and paid monthly. The Portfolio's contractual investment advisory fee rate (expressed as an annual rate) is 0.64% of its average daily net assets.

Janus Services LLC ("Janus Services"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Janus Capital, is the Portfolio's transfer agent. Effective May 1, 2016, Janus Services receives an administrative services fee at an annual rate of 0.05% of the average daily net assets of the Portfolio for arranging for the provision by participating insurance companies and qualified plan service providers of administrative services, including recordkeeping, subaccounting, order processing, or other shareholder services provided on behalf of contract holders or plan participants investing in the Portfolio. Other shareholder services may include the provision of order confirmations, periodic account statements, forwarding prospectuses, shareholder reports, and other materials to existing investors, and answering inquiries regarding accounts. Janus Services expects to use this entire fee to compensate insurance companies and qualified plan service providers for providing these services to their customers who invest in the Portfolio. Any unused portion will be reimbursed to the applicable share class at least annually.

In addition, Janus Services provides or arranges for the provision of certain other internal administrative, recordkeeping, and shareholder relations services for the Portfolio. Janus Services is not compensated for these internal services related to the shares, except for out-of-pocket costs. These amounts are disclosed as "Other transfer agent fees and expenses" on the Statement of Operations.

Under a distribution and shareholder servicing plan (the "Plan") adopted in accordance with Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act, the Service Shares may pay the Trust's distributor, Janus Distributors LLC ("Janus Distributors"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Janus Capital, a fee for the sale and distribution and/or shareholder servicing of the Service Shares at an annual rate of up to 0.25% of the average daily net assets of the Service Shares. Under the terms of the Plan, the Trust is authorized to make payments to Janus Distributors for remittance to insurance companies and qualified plan service providers as compensation for distribution and/or shareholder services performed by such entities. These amounts are disclosed as "12b-1 Distribution and shareholder servicing fees" on the Statement of Operations. Payments under the Plan are not tied exclusively to actual 12b-1 distribution and servicing fees, and the payments may exceed 12b-1 distribution and servicing fees actually incurred. If any of the Portfolio's actual 12b-1 distribution and servicing fees incurred during a calendar year are less than the payments made during a calendar year, the Portfolio will be refunded the difference. Refunds, if any, are included in "12b-1 Distribution and shareholder servicing fees" in the Statement of Operations.

Janus Capital furnishes certain administration, compliance, and accounting services for the Portfolio and is reimbursed by the Portfolio for certain of its costs in providing those services (to the extent Janus Capital seeks reimbursement and such costs are not otherwise waived). In addition, employees of Janus Capital and/or its affiliates may serve as officers of the Trust. The Portfolio also pays for some or all of the salaries, fees, and expenses of certain Janus Capital employees and Portfolio officers, with respect to certain specified administration functions they perform on behalf of the Portfolio. The Portfolio pays these costs based on out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Janus Capital, and these costs are separate and apart from advisory fees and other expenses paid in connection with the investment advisory services Janus Capital provides to the Portfolio. These amounts are disclosed as "Portfolio administration fees" on the Statement of Operations. Some expenses related to compensation payable to the Portfolio's Chief Compliance Officer and compliance staff are shared with the Portfolio. Total compensation of \$1,138 was paid to the Chief Compliance Officer

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and certain compliance staff by the Trust during the period ended June 30, 2017. The Portfolio's portion is reported as part of "Other expenses" on the Statement of Operations.

The Board of Trustees has adopted a deferred compensation plan (the "Deferred Plan") for independent Trustees to elect to defer receipt of all or a portion of the annual compensation they are entitled to receive from the Portfolio. All deferred fees are credited to an account established in the name of the Trustees. The amounts credited to the account then increase or decrease, as the case may be, in accordance with the performance of one or more of the Janus Henderson funds that are selected by the Trustees. The account balance continues to fluctuate in accordance with the performance of the selected fund or funds until final payment of all amounts are credited to the account. The fluctuation of the account balance is recorded by the Portfolio as unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) and is included as of June 30, 2017 on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities in the asset, "Non-interested Trustees' deferred compensation," and liability, "Non-interested Trustees' deferred compensation fees." Additionally, the recorded unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) is included in "Unrealized net appreciation/(depreciation) of investments, foreign currency translations and non-interested Trustees' deferred compensation" on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Deferred compensation expenses for the period ended June 30, 2017 are included in "Non-interested Trustees' fees and expenses" on the Statement of Operations. Trustees are allowed to change their designation of mutual funds from time to time. Amounts will be deferred until distributed in accordance with the Deferred Plan. Deferred fees of \$206,075 were paid by the Trust to the Trustees under the Deferred Plan during the period ended June 30, 2017.

Pursuant to the provisions of the 1940 Act and related rules, the Portfolio may participate in an affiliated or nonaffiliated cash sweep program. In the cash sweep program, uninvested cash balances of the Portfolio may be used to purchase shares of affiliated or nonaffiliated money market funds or cash management pooled investment vehicles. The Portfolio is eligible to participate in the cash sweep program (the "Investing Funds"). As adviser, Janus Capital has an inherent conflict of interest because of its fiduciary duties to the affiliated money market funds or cash management pooled investment vehicles and the Investing Funds. Janus Cash Liquidity Fund LLC is an affiliated unregistered cash management pooled investment vehicle that invests primarily in highly-rated short-term fixed-income securities. Janus Cash Liquidity Fund LLC currently maintains a NAV of \$1.00 per share and distributes income daily in a manner consistent with a registered product compliant with Rule 2a-7 under the 1940 Act. There are no restrictions on the Portfolio's ability to withdraw investments from Janus Cash Liquidity Fund LLC at will, and there are no unfunded capital commitments due from the Portfolio to Janus Cash Liquidity Fund LLC. The units of Janus Cash Liquidity Fund LLC are not charged any management fee, sales charge or service fee.

Any purchases and sales, realized gains/losses and recorded dividends from affiliated investments during the period ended June 30, 2017 can be found in a table located in the Notes to Schedule of Investments and Other Information.

The Portfolio is permitted to purchase or sell securities ("cross-trade") between itself and other funds or accounts managed by Janus Capital Management LLC in accordance with Rule 17a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Rule 17a-7"), when the transaction is consistent with the investment objectives and policies of the Portfolio and in accordance with the Internal Cross Trade Procedures adopted by the Trust's Board of Trustees. These procedures have been designed to ensure that any cross-trade of securities by the Portfolio from or to another fund or account that is or could be considered an affiliate of the Portfolio under certain limited circumstances by virtue of having a common investment adviser, common Officer, or common Trustee complies with Rule 17a-7. Under these procedures, each cross-trade is effected at the current market price to save costs where allowed. During the period ended June 30, 2017, the Portfolio engaged in cross trades amounting to \$2,335,953 in purchases.

5. Federal Income Tax

Income and capital gains distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations that may differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These differences are due to differing treatments for items such as net short-term gains, deferral of wash sale losses, foreign currency transactions, net investment losses, and capital loss carryovers.

The Portfolio has elected to treat gains and losses on forward foreign currency contracts as capital gains and losses, if applicable. Other foreign currency gains and losses on debt instruments are treated as ordinary income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 988 of the Internal Revenue Code.

The aggregate cost of investments and the composition of unrealized appreciation and depreciation of investment securities for federal income tax purposes as of June 30, 2017 are noted below.

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Unrealized appreciation and unrealized depreciation in the table below exclude appreciation/depreciation on foreign currency translations. The primary differences between book and tax appreciation or depreciation of investments are wash sale loss deferrals and investments in partnerships.

<i>Federal Tax Cost</i>	<i>Unrealized Appreciation</i>	<i>Unrealized (Depreciation)</i>	<i>Net Tax Appreciation/ (Depreciation)</i>
\$ 691,601,870	\$380,552,661	\$ (6,563,069)	\$ 373,989,592

6. Capital Share Transactions

	<i>Period ended June 30, 2017</i>		<i>Year ended December 31, 2016</i>	
	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Shares</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Institutional Shares:				
Shares sold	1,274,153	\$80,015,274	979,051	\$ 56,320,924
Reinvested dividends and distributions	576,744	36,830,888	632,158	35,205,199
Shares repurchased	(699,349)	(44,729,395)	(1,156,822)	(66,522,970)
Net Increase/(Decrease)	1,151,548	\$72,116,767	454,387	\$ 25,003,153
Service Shares:				
Shares sold	1,035,432	\$63,029,810	2,029,144	\$110,199,332
Reinvested dividends and distributions	553,573	33,408,143	589,542	31,146,855
Shares repurchased	(786,131)	(47,234,383)	(1,041,304)	(56,834,101)
Net Increase/(Decrease)	802,874	\$49,203,570	1,577,382	\$ 84,512,086

7. Purchases and Sales of Investment Securities

For the period ended June 30, 2017, the aggregate cost of purchases and proceeds from sales of investment securities (excluding any short-term securities, short-term options contracts, and in-kind transactions) was as follows:

<i>Purchases of Securities</i>	<i>Proceeds from Sales of Securities</i>	<i>Purchases of Long- Term U.S. Government Obligations</i>	<i>Proceeds from Sales of Long-Term U.S. Government Obligations</i>
\$83,909,525	\$ 68,642,203	\$ -	\$ -

8. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") adopted new rules as well as amendments to its rules to modernize the reporting and disclosure of information by registered investment companies. In addition, the SEC adopted amendments to Regulation S-X, which require standardized, enhanced disclosure about derivatives in investment company financial statements, as well as other amendments. The compliance date of the amendments to Regulation S-X is August 1, 2017. Management believes that many of the Regulation S-X amendments are consistent with the Portfolio's current financial statement presentation and will not have a significant impact on the Portfolio.

The FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2017-08, *Receivables – Nonrefundable Fees and Other Costs (Subtopic 310-20), Premium Amortization on Purchased Callable Debt Securities* ("ASU 2017-08") to amend the amortization period for certain purchased callable debt securities held at a premium. The guidance requires certain premiums on callable debt securities to be amortized to the earliest call date. The amortization period for callable debt securities purchased at a discount will not be impacted. The amendments are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2018. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. Management is currently evaluating the impacts of ASU 2017-08 on the financial statements.

9. Merger Related Matters

On October 3, 2016, Janus Capital Group Inc. ("JCGI"), the direct parent of Janus Capital, and Henderson Group plc ("Henderson") announced that they had entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger ("Merger Agreement") relating to the strategic combination of Henderson and JCGI (the "Merger"). Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, a newly

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formed, direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Henderson will merge with and into JCGI, with JCGI as the surviving corporation and a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Henderson.

The consummation of the Merger may be deemed to be an “assignment” (as defined in 1940 Act) of the advisory agreement between the Portfolio and Janus Capital that is in effect as of the date of this Report. As a result, the consummation of the Merger will cause the investment advisory agreement to terminate automatically in accordance with its terms.

On December 8, 2016, the Trustees approved, subject to approval of shareholders, a new investment advisory agreement between the Portfolio and Janus Capital in order to permit Janus Capital to continue to provide advisory services to the Portfolio following the closing of the Merger (“Post-Merger Advisory Agreement”). The Post-Merger Advisory Agreement will have substantially similar terms as the corresponding investment advisory agreement that is in effect as of the date of this Report.

Approval of Advisory Agreements

On April 18, 2017, shareholders of the Portfolio approved the Post-Merger Advisory Agreement with Janus Capital. The Post-Merger Advisory Agreement took effect upon the consummation of the Merger.

10. Subsequent Event

Management has evaluated whether any events or transactions occurred subsequent to June 30, 2017 and through the date of issuance of the Portfolio's financial statements and determined that there were no material events or transactions that would require recognition or disclosure in the Portfolio's financial statements.

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Proxy Voting Policies and Voting Record

A description of the policies and procedures that the Portfolio uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to its portfolio securities is available without charge: (i) upon request, by calling 1-877-335-2687 (toll free); (ii) on the Portfolio's website at janushenderson.com/proxyvoting; and (iii) on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. Additionally, information regarding the Portfolio's proxy voting record for the most recent twelve-month period ended June 30 is also available, free of charge, through janushenderson.com/proxyvoting and from the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>.

Quarterly Portfolio Holdings

The Portfolio files its complete portfolio holdings (schedule of investments) with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q within 60 days of the end of such fiscal quarter. The Portfolio's Form N-Q: (i) is available on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>; (ii) may be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. (information on the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330); and (iii) is available without charge, upon request, by calling Janus Henderson at 1-877-335-2687 (toll free).

APPROVAL OF ADVISORY AGREEMENTS DURING THE PERIOD

What follows is a discussion of the material factors and conclusions with respect thereto that formed the basis for the Trustees of Janus Aspen Series' approval of the investment advisory agreements for the Funds and the sub-advisory agreements for the Funds, as applicable, during the period. This discussion references a Transaction (as defined below) to combine the respective businesses of Henderson Group plc and Janus Capital Group, Inc., which resulted in the Trustees' consideration of new investment advisory agreements for the Funds and sub-advisory agreements for the Funds, as applicable. During the period, the Trustees also approved the renewal of the existing investment advisory agreements for the Funds and the sub-advisory agreements for the Funds, as applicable, which were subsequently replaced by the new investment advisory and sub-advisory agreements at the close of the Transaction on May 30, 2017.

Approval of Advisory and Sub-Advisory Agreements with Janus and Janus Affiliates during the Period

On September 15, 2016, Janus Capital Group Inc. ("Janus") advised the Trustees of Janus Aspen Series (the "Trust"), each of whom serves as an "independent" Trustee (the "Board" or the "Trustees"), of its intent to seek a strategic combination of its advisory business with Henderson Group plc ("Henderson"). The Board met with the Chief Executive Officer of Janus, who outlined the proposed combination and the potential benefits to Janus Capital Management LLC ("Janus Capital") and each Fund of the Trust (each, a "Fund" and collectively, the "Funds").

Subsequent to the September 15, 2016 meeting, the Trustees identified a list of basic principles, which they believed should serve as the foundation for their review of the organizational, operational and strategic issues involved with any potential change in control of Janus Capital, the investment adviser to the Funds. These basic principles were communicated to Janus Capital on September 27, 2016, and were intended to be shared with Henderson. On October 3, 2016, Janus announced that it had entered into a definitive Agreement and Plan of Merger with Henderson pursuant to which Janus and Henderson agreed to effect an all-stock merger of equals strategic combination of their respective businesses, with Janus Capital surviving the merger as a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Henderson (the "Transaction"). The Board was advised that, subject to certain conditions, the Transaction is currently expected to close during the second quarter of 2017.

As part of its due diligence, the Board developed an initial list of questions related to the proposed transaction, which was provided to Janus Capital on October 6, 2016. At a special Board meeting held on October 19, 2016, the Board considered Janus Capital's response to the initial information request and met with the management of Janus to discuss the impact of the Transaction on the nature, extent and quality of services Janus Capital is expected to provide to the Janus Funds following the Transaction, addressing, among other matters, the personnel expected to provide such services, and the resources available to do so. After its October 19, 2016 meeting, the Board developed a supplemental request for additional information, which was provided to Janus Capital on October 26, 2016. At another special Board meeting held on November 7-8, 2016, the Board considered Janus Capital's response to the supplemental information request and again met with the management of Janus and Henderson to discuss the impact of the Transaction on the nature, extent and quality of services Janus Capital is expected to provide to the Janus Funds following the Transaction, and also met with various officers of the Funds and of Janus Capital including various Fund portfolio managers. After its November 7-8, 2016 meeting, the Board developed a second supplemental request for additional information, which was provided to Janus Capital on November 21, 2016. On December 7-8, 2016, the Board met to consider Janus

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Capital's response to the second supplemental information request and to also consider the proposed new investment advisory agreements between the Trust, on behalf of each Fund, and Janus Capital (each, a "New Advisory Agreement" and collectively, the "New Advisory Agreements") and the new sub-advisory agreements between Janus Capital and each of the Funds that utilize INTECH Investment Management LLC ("INTECH") or Perkins Investment Management LLC ("Perkins") as sub-advisers (each, a "New Sub-Advisory Agreement" and collectively, the "New Sub-Advisory Agreements") to take effect immediately after the Transaction or shareholder approval, whichever is later. During each of these meetings, the Board sought additional and clarifying information as it deemed necessary or appropriate. Throughout the process, the Board had the assistance of its independent legal counsel, who advised them on, among other things, its duties and obligations.

In connection with the Board's review, Janus Capital provided, and the Board obtained, substantial information regarding the following matters: the management, financial position and business of Henderson; the history of Henderson's business and operations; the investment performance of the investment companies advised by Henderson; the proposed structure, operations and investment processes of the combined investment management organization after the Transaction and the strategy for operating and growing the business following the Transaction; the future plans of Janus and Henderson with respect to the Funds and any proposed changes to the operations or structure of the Funds; and the future plans of Janus and Henderson with respect to the provision of services to the Funds, and the entities providing such services, including those affiliated with Janus. The Board also received information regarding the terms of the Transaction, anticipated management of the combined organization, the resources that each of Janus and Henderson bring to the combined organization and the process being followed by Janus and Henderson to integrate their organizations. The Board also received information regarding the impact of the Transaction on each of INTECH and Perkins.

In connection with the Board's approval of New Advisory Agreements and New Sub-Advisory Agreements at its December 8, 2016 meeting, the Board also continued its on-going annual process to determine whether to continue the existing investment advisory agreements between Janus Capital and the Trust on behalf of each Fund (each, a "Current Advisory Agreement" and collectively, the "Current Advisory Agreements") and the existing sub-advisory agreements between Janus Capital and each of the Funds that utilize INTECH or Perkins as sub-advisers (each, a "Current Sub-Advisory Agreement" and collectively, the "Current Sub-Advisory Agreements"). In this regard, the Board received and reviewed information provided by Janus and the respective Sub-Advisers in response to requests of the Board and its independent legal counsel. The Board also received and reviewed information and analysis provided by, and in response to requests of, its independent fee consultant. The Board noted that as part of this annual process, the Board had considered and was in the process of considering, numerous factors, including the nature and quality of services provided by Janus Capital and each Sub-Adviser, as applicable; investment performance, on an absolute basis and relative to appropriate peer groups and one or a combination of market indices; investment management fees, expense ratios and asset sizes of the Funds and peer groups; investment management fees charged to comparable investment companies, separate accounts and non-fund clients; Janus Capital's profitability from managing the Funds; fall-out benefits to Janus Capital from its relationship to the Funds, including revenues derived from services provided to the Funds by affiliates of Janus Capital; and the potential benefits to Janus Capital, the Funds of receiving research services from broker/dealer firms in connection with the allocation of portfolio transactions to such firms.

In determining whether to approve the New Advisory Agreement for each Fund and the New Sub-Advisory Agreement for Funds managed by INTECH or Perkins in connection with the Transaction, and whether to recommend approval to Fund shareholders, the Board received information and made inquiries into all matters as it deemed appropriate. The Board reviewed and analyzed various factors it deemed relevant, including the following factors, among others, none of which by itself was considered dispositive:

- The terms of the New Advisory Agreements are substantially similar to the corresponding Current Advisory Agreements, and the contractual fee rate will not change. In this regard, see the discussion of the Board's considerations with respect to its most recent approval of the Current Advisory Agreements prior to December 8, 2016, as disclosed in each Fund's most recent prior annual or semi-annual shareholder report, as applicable.
- The terms of the New Sub-Advisory Agreements are substantially similar to the corresponding Current Sub-Advisory Agreements, and the contractual fee rate will not change. In this regard, see the discussion of the Board's considerations with respect to its most recent approval of the Current Sub-Advisory Agreements prior to December 8, 2016, as disclosed in each Fund's most recent prior annual or semi-annual shareholder report, as applicable.

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- Janus Capital's plans for the operation of the Funds, including its plans for the continued provision of all services currently provided to the Funds by Janus Capital and its affiliates, including, among others, investment advisory services, portfolio trading services, and Fund administrative and accounting services, and the personnel and resources proposed to support the provision of such services.
- The estimated profitability to Janus Capital from managing the Funds after the Transaction, including potential economies of scale and fall-out benefits to Janus Capital from its relationship to the Funds, including revenues derived from services provided to the Funds by affiliates of Janus Capital, and the potential benefits to Janus Capital, and the Funds of receiving research services from broker/dealer firms in connection with the allocation of portfolio transactions to such firms.

In connection with its deliberations, the Board received assurances from Janus, on behalf of itself and its affiliates (collectively, "Janus") including the following:

- Janus has provided to the Board such information as it believes is reasonably necessary to evaluate the New Advisory Agreements and New Sub-Advisory Agreements.
- Janus is committed to the continuance, without interruption, of services to the Funds of at least the type and quality currently provided by Janus Capital and its affiliates, or superior thereto.
- The Transaction is not expected to affect negatively the nature, extent or quality of the investment advisory services provided by Janus Capital to the Funds following the Transaction, and the investment advisory services are expected to be at least comparable to the services being provided under the Current Advisory Agreements and Current Sub-Advisory Agreements. In this regard, the Board noted specific representations that Janus does not intend for the nature, extent or quality of investment advisory and other services to be provided to the Funds following the Transaction to change, and the extent of such services were expected to increase based on the combined resources of the combined investment management organization after the Transaction, and should the nature, extent or quality of such services decline, Janus would commit the resources needed to return such services to pre-Transaction levels.
- The Funds' current operations were expected to remain largely unchanged, except for certain fund reorganizations which will be separately considered by the Board, and such other changes as were or will be presented to the Board.
- The Transaction is not expected to result in any changes to the portfolio managers providing services to the Funds.
- After the Transaction, the distribution and marketing services provided to the Janus Funds were expected to be improved or enhanced based on the combined resources of Janus and Henderson. In this regard, Janus Capital advised the Board that after the Transaction, the extent of distribution and marketing services provided to the Janus Funds are expected to increase based on the combined resources of Janus and Henderson. This is due primarily to the anticipated increase of sales related resources and expanded global presence of the combined Janus Henderson organization, which is expected to enhance visibility and brand recognition of the Janus Henderson Funds.
- The intent of Janus Capital to take the necessary and appropriate steps to retain and attract key investment advisory personnel.
- The intent of Janus to take the necessary and appropriate steps to retain and attract key compliance, financial, fund accounting and administrative personnel supporting the management and oversight of the Funds.
- Janus is not aware of any express or implied term, condition, arrangement or understanding that would impose in its best judgement an "unfair burden" on any Fund as a result of the Transaction, as defined in Section 15(f) of the 1940 Act, and that Janus will take no action that would have the effect of imposing such an "unfair burden" on any Fund in connection with the Transaction.

Janus assured the Board that it intended to comply with Section 15(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. Section 15(f) provides a non-exclusive safe harbor for an investment adviser to an investment company or any of its affiliated persons to receive any amount or benefit in connection with a change in control of the investment adviser so long as two conditions are met. First, for a period of three years after the transaction, at least 75% of the

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board members of the investment company must not be interested persons of such investment adviser (as defined under the 1940 Act). The composition of the Board is in compliance with this provision of Section 15(f). In addition, after careful review and consideration, the Board determined that it would be in the best interests of the Funds to add to the Board an individual who currently acts as a non-interested board member of the Henderson Trust. The Board believes that this change in the Board composition will provide perspective and insight relating to experience working with the Henderson organization. The Board's Nominating and Governance Committee considered a number of candidates and recommended that the Board nominate one proposed new trustee from those candidates who currently act as non-interested board members of the Henderson Trust. The Board approved that trustee nominee to serve on the Board, subject to election by the shareholders of the Funds and contingent on the closing of the Transaction. If the new trustee is elected and serves on the Board, the Board composition would continue to satisfy the provisions of Section 15(f).

To meet the second condition of Section 15(f), an "unfair burden" must not be imposed upon the investment company as a result of such transaction or any express or implied terms, conditions or understandings applicable thereto. The term "unfair burden" is defined in Section 15(f) to include any arrangement during the two-year period after the transaction, whereby the investment adviser, or any interested person of such adviser, receives or is entitled to receive any compensation, directly or indirectly, from the investment company or its shareholders (other than fees for bona fide investment advisory or other services) or from any person in connection with the purchase or sale of securities or other property to, from or on behalf of the investment company (other than bona fide ordinary compensation as principal underwriter for such investment company).

Janus represented that it does not believe that an "unfair burden" will be placed on the Funds as a result of the Transaction. In furtherance thereof, Janus has undertaken to pay the costs of preparing and distributing proxy materials to, and of holding the meetings of, the Funds' shareholders (the "Meetings"), as well as other fees and expenses in connection with the Transaction, including the reasonable fees and expenses of legal counsel and consultants to the Funds and the Trustees. In addition, Janus has agreed, for a period of two years following the closing of the Transaction, (i) not to request any increases to advisory fees for the Funds, other than those proposed to and approved by the Board prior to the close of the Transaction, and (ii) to continue to use the current process by which expense caps are set annually for the Funds.

As a result of its review and consideration of the New Investment Advisory Agreements and New Sub-Advisory Agreements in connection with the Transaction, at a meeting on December 8, 2016, the Board voted unanimously to approve a New Investment Advisory Agreement for each Fund and a New Sub-Advisory Agreement for each Fund managed by INTECH or Perkins, and to recommend such agreements to the Funds' shareholders for their approval.

Approval of Interim Advisory and Sub-Advisory Agreements with Janus and Janus Affiliates during the Period

In the event shareholders of a Fund do not approve such Fund's New Advisory Agreement and/or New Sub-Advisory Agreement at the Meetings prior to the closing of the Transaction, Janus Capital proposed that an interim investment advisory agreement between Janus Capital and such Fund (each, an "Interim Advisory Agreement" and collectively, the "Interim Advisory Agreements") and an interim sub-advisory agreement between Janus Capital and the applicable Sub-Adviser (each, an "Interim Sub-Advisory Agreement" and collectively, the "Interim Sub-Advisory Agreements") take effect upon the closing of the Transaction. At the December 8, 2016 meeting, the Board, all of whom are Independent Trustees, unanimously approved an Interim Advisory Agreement for each Fund and an Interim Sub-Advisory Agreement for each applicable Fund in order to assure continuity of investment advisory services to the Funds and sub-advisory services to the sub-advised Funds after the Transaction. The terms of each Interim Advisory Agreement are substantially identical to those of the applicable Current Advisory Agreement and New Advisory Agreement, except for the term and escrow provisions described below. Similarly, the terms of each Interim Sub-Advisory Agreement are substantially identical to those of the Current Sub-Advisory Agreements and New Sub-Advisory Agreements, except for the term and escrow provisions described below. The Interim Advisory Agreement and Interim Sub-Advisory Agreement will continue in effect for a term ending on the earlier of 150 days from the closing of the Transaction (the "150-day period") or when shareholders of the Fund approve the New Advisory Agreement and/or New Sub-Advisory Agreement. Pursuant to Rule 15a-4 under the 1940 Act, compensation earned by Janus Capital under an Interim Advisory Agreement and compensation earned by a Sub-Adviser under an Interim Sub-Advisory Agreement will be held in an interest-bearing escrow account. If shareholders of a Fund approve the New Advisory Agreement prior to the end of the 150-day period, the amount held in the escrow account under the Interim Advisory Agreement will be paid to Janus Capital. If shareholders of a Fund approve the New Advisory Agreement and New Sub-Advisory Agreement prior to the

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end of the 150-day period, the amount held in the escrow account under the Interim Sub-Advisory Agreement will be paid to the Sub- Adviser. If shareholders of a Fund do not approve the New Advisory Agreement prior to the end of the 150-day period, the Board will take such action as it deems to be in the best interests of the Fund, and Janus Capital will be paid the lesser of its costs incurred in performing its services under the Interim Advisory Agreement or the total amount in the escrow account, plus interest earned. If shareholders of a Fund do not approve the New Advisory Agreement and/or New Sub-Advisory Agreement prior to the end of the 150-day period, the Board will take such action as it deems to be in the best interests of the Fund, and the Sub-Adviser will be paid the lesser of its costs incurred in performing its services under the Interim Sub-Advisory Agreement or the total amount in the escrow account, plus interest earned.

Approval of an Amended and Restated Investment Advisory Agreement for Janus Henderson Research Portfolio (formerly, Janus Portfolio)

Janus Capital met with the Trustees on December 7-8, 2016, to discuss the approval of an amended and restated investment advisory agreement (the "Amended Advisory Agreement") between Janus Capital and the Trust on behalf of Janus Portfolio (for the purposes of this section, the "Fund" refers to Janus Portfolio) and other matters related to the proposed changes to the Fund's name, principal investment strategies, and portfolio management team (the "Realignment"). At the meeting, the Trustees also discussed the Amended Advisory Agreement and other matters related to the Realignment with their independent counsel in executive session. During the course of this meeting, the Trustees requested and considered such information as they deemed relevant to their deliberations. In addition, at prior meetings and during the course of this meeting the Board also considered the proposal to merge the Janus Fund, a series of Janus Investment Fund, into the Janus Research Fund, another series of Janus Investment Fund, and undertook a comprehensive process to evaluate the impact of the Transaction on the nature, quality and extent of services expected to be provided by Janus Capital to the Fund, including after the completion of the Transaction. For a fuller discussion of the Board's consideration of the approval of a new investment advisory agreement for the Fund in connection with the Transaction, see "Approval of Advisory and Sub-Advisory Agreements with Janus and Janus Affiliates during the Period" above.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held on December 8, 2016, the Trustees approved the Amended Advisory Agreement and other matters related to the Realignment. In determining whether to approve the Amended Advisory Agreement, and whether to recommend approval to Fund shareholders, the Board received information and made inquiries into all matters as it deemed appropriate. The Board reviewed and analyzed various factors it deemed relevant, including the following factors, among others, none of which by itself was considered dispositive:

- the terms of the Amended Advisory Agreement are substantially the same as the Current Advisory Agreement, except for the change to the advisory fee rate based on the amount of such outperformance or underperformance (the "Full Performance Rate") and cumulative investment record of the Fund's benchmark index (the "Performance Fee Benchmark");
- the estimated impact of the change to the Full Performance Rate and Performance Fee Benchmark on the amount of advisory fees to be paid by the Fund, including consideration of comparative pro forma data showing the advisory fees payable if the Amended Advisory Agreement had been in place in prior years;
- the Fund's investment team will be able to more efficiently manage the Fund's portfolio, assuming the merger of the Janus Fund into Janus Research Fund is implemented, which may also provide benefits from opportunities to aggregate trading across funds that have similar investment strategies;
- Janus Capital's belief that the Fund shareholders may benefit from the Realignment, as a result of the research- driven investment process to be implemented, which includes lower historical transaction costs and potential performance gains from securities lending as compared to the Fund's current investment approach;
- the Realignment was being proposed as part of Janus Capital's efforts to streamline its product line;
- Janus Capital's belief that the Fund would benefit from Janus Capital's operational efficiencies resulting from the merger of the Janus Fund into the Janus Research Fund and the Realignment, including a potentially more efficient and effective investment management approach providing the potential for a growing fund and improved performance after the Realignment;
- the costs of seeking approval of the Amended Advisory Agreement will be borne by Janus Capital;

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- the costs incurred to reposition the Fund's portfolio in connection with the Realignment;
- the potential tax consequences of any repositioning of the Fund's portfolio as a result of the Merger; and any potential benefits of Janus Capital and its affiliates as a result of the Realignment.

Renewal of Advisory and Sub-Advisory Agreements with Janus Capital and Janus Capital Affiliates during the Period

The Trustees of Janus Investment Fund and Janus Aspen Series, each of whom serves as an "independent" Trustee (the "Trustees"), oversee the management of each Fund of Janus Investment Fund and each Portfolio of Janus Aspen Series (each, a "Fund" and collectively, the "Funds"), and as required by law, determine annually whether to continue the investment advisory agreement for each Fund and the subadvisory agreements for the 16 Funds that utilize subadvisers.

In connection with their most recent consideration of those agreements for each Fund, the Trustees received and reviewed information provided by Janus Capital and the respective subadvisers in response to requests of the Trustees and their independent legal counsel. They also received and reviewed information and analysis provided by, and in response to requests of, their independent fee consultant. Throughout their consideration of the agreements, the Trustees were advised by their independent legal counsel. The Trustees met with management to consider the agreements, and also met separately in executive session with their independent legal counsel and their independent fee consultant.

Additionally, in connection with their consideration of whether to continue the investment advisory agreement and subadvisory agreement for each Fund, as applicable, the Trustees also received and reviewed information in connection with the proposed transaction to combine the respective businesses of Henderson Group plc and Janus Capital Group, Inc., the parent company of Janus Capital (the "Transaction"), announced in October 2016, which Janus Capital advised the Trustees was expected to close in the second quarter of 2017. In this regard, the Trustees reviewed information regarding the impact of the Transaction on the services to be provided by Janus Capital and each subadviser, as applicable, to the Funds under such agreements both prior to the close of the Transaction, and afterwards, if the Transaction were not to close. If the Transaction closes, all such agreements would be replaced by new investment advisory agreements and subadvisory agreements, as applicable, for each Fund, assuming requisite Fund shareholder approvals have been obtained.

At a meeting held on January 26, 2017, based on the Trustees' evaluation of the information provided by Janus Capital, the subadvisers, and the independent fee consultant, as well as other information, the Trustees determined that the overall arrangements between each Fund and Janus Capital and each subadviser, as applicable, were fair and reasonable in light of the nature, extent and quality of the services provided by Janus Capital, its affiliates and the subadvisers, the fees charged for those services, and other matters that the Trustees considered relevant in the exercise of their business judgment. At that meeting, the Trustees unanimously approved the continuation of the investment advisory agreement for each Fund, and the subadvisory agreement for each subadvised Fund, for the period from February 1, 2017 through February 1, 2018, subject to earlier termination as provided for in each agreement.

In considering the continuation of those agreements, the Trustees reviewed and analyzed various factors that they determined were relevant, including the factors described below, none of which by itself was considered dispositive. However, the material factors and conclusions that formed the basis for the Trustees' determination to approve the continuation of the agreements are discussed separately below. Also included is a summary of the independent fee consultant's conclusions and opinions that arose during, and were included as part of, the Trustees' consideration of the agreements. "Management fees," as used herein, reflect actual annual advisory fees and any administration fees (excluding out of pocket costs), net of any waivers.

Nature, Extent and Quality of Services

The Trustees reviewed the nature, extent and quality of the services provided by Janus Capital and the subadvisers to the Funds, taking into account the investment objective, strategies and policies of each Fund, and the knowledge the Trustees gained from their regular meetings with management on at least a quarterly basis and their ongoing review of information related to the Funds. In addition, the Trustees reviewed the resources and key personnel of Janus Capital and each subadviser, particularly noting those employees who provide investment and risk management services to the Funds. The Trustees also considered other services provided to the Funds by Janus Capital or the subadvisers, such as

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managing the execution of portfolio transactions and the selection of broker-dealers for those transactions. The Trustees considered Janus Capital's role as administrator to the Funds, noting that Janus Capital does not receive a fee for its services but is reimbursed for its out-of-pocket costs. The Trustees considered the role of Janus Capital in monitoring adherence to the Funds' investment restrictions, providing support services for the Trustees and Trustee committees, and overseeing communications with shareholders and the activities of other service providers, including monitoring compliance with various policies and procedures of the Funds and with applicable securities laws and regulations.

In this regard, the independent fee consultant noted that Janus Capital provides a number of different services for the Funds and Fund shareholders, ranging from investment management services to various other servicing functions, and that, in its opinion, Janus Capital is a capable provider of those services. The independent fee consultant also provided its belief that Janus Capital has developed a number of institutional competitive advantages that should enable it to provide superior investment and service performance over the long term.

The Trustees concluded that the nature, extent and quality of the services provided by Janus Capital or the subadviser to each Fund were appropriate and consistent with the terms of the respective advisory and subadvisory agreements, and that, taking into account steps taken to address those Funds whose performance lagged that of their peers for certain periods, the Funds were likely to benefit from the continued provision of those services. They also concluded that Janus Capital and each subadviser had sufficient personnel, with the appropriate education and experience, to serve the Funds effectively and had demonstrated its ability to attract well-qualified personnel.

Performance of the Funds

The Trustees considered the performance results of each Fund over various time periods. They noted that they considered Fund performance data throughout the year, including periodic meetings with each Fund's portfolio manager(s), and also reviewed information comparing each Fund's performance with the performance of comparable funds and peer groups identified by Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("Broadridge"), an independent data provider, and with the Fund's benchmark index. In this regard, the independent fee consultant found that the overall Funds' performance has been strong: for the 36 months ended September 30, 2016, approximately 76% of the Funds were in the top two Broadridge quartiles of performance, and for the 12 months ended September 30, 2016, approximately 47% of the Funds were in the top two Broadridge quartiles of performance.

The Trustees considered the performance of each Fund, noting that performance may vary by share class, and noted the following:

Fixed-Income Funds and Money Market Funds

- For Janus Henderson Flexible Bond Fund (formerly, Janus Flexible Bond Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the third Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Global Bond Fund (formerly, Janus Global Bond Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the third Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Global Unconstrained Bond Fund (formerly, Janus Global Unconstrained Bond Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson High-Yield Fund (formerly, Janus High-Yield Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the second Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Multi-Sector Income Fund (formerly, Janus Multi-Sector Income Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Real Return Fund (formerly, Janus Real Return Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.

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- For Janus Henderson Short-Term Bond Fund (formerly, Janus Short-Term Bond Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the third Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Government Money Market Fund (formerly, Janus Government Money Market Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the third Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the third Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance.
- For Janus Henderson Money Market Fund (formerly, Janus Money Market Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance.

Asset Allocation Funds

- For Janus Henderson Global Allocation Fund – Conservative (formerly, Janus Global Allocation Fund – Conservative), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Global Allocation Fund – Growth (formerly, Janus Global Allocation Fund – Growth), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.
- For Janus Henderson Global Allocation Fund – Moderate (formerly, Janus Global Allocation Fund – Moderate), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the third Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.

Alternative Fund

- For Janus Henderson Diversified Alternatives Fund (formerly, Janus Diversified Alternatives Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the third Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the third Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.

Value Funds

- For Janus Henderson International Value Fund (formerly, Perkins International Value Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Global Value Fund (formerly, Perkins Global Value Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Large Cap Value Fund (formerly, Perkins Large Cap Value Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the third Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, noting that the Fund has a performance fee structure that results in lower management fees during periods of underperformance, the steps Janus Capital and Perkins had taken or were taking to improve performance, and that the performance trend was improving.
- For Janus Henderson Mid Cap Value Fund (formerly, Perkins Mid Cap Value Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, noting that the Fund has a performance fee structure that results in lower

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management fees during periods of underperformance, the steps Janus Capital and Perkins had taken or were taking to improve performance, and that the performance trend was improving.

- For Janus Henderson Select Value Fund (formerly, Perkins Select Value Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Small Cap Value Fund (formerly, Perkins Small Cap Value Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Value Plus Income Fund (formerly, Perkins Value Plus Income Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the second Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.

Mathematical Funds

- For Janus Henderson Emerging Markets Managed Volatility Fund (formerly, INTECH Emerging Markets Managed Volatility Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Global Income Managed Volatility Fund (formerly, INTECH Global Income Managed Volatility Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson International Managed Volatility Fund (formerly, INTECH International Managed Volatility Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson U.S. Managed Volatility Fund (formerly, INTECH U.S. Managed Volatility Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.

Growth and Core Funds

- For Janus Henderson Balanced Fund (formerly, Janus Balanced Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the third Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Contrarian Fund (formerly, Janus Contrarian Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, noting that the Fund has a performance fee structure that results in lower management fees during periods of underperformance, and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.
- For Janus Henderson Enterprise Fund (formerly, Janus Enterprise Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Forty Fund (formerly, Janus Forty Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Growth and Income Fund (formerly, Janus Growth and Income Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and in the second Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Research Fund (formerly, Janus Research Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the second Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.

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- For Janus Henderson Triton Fund (formerly, Janus Triton Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Venture Fund (formerly, Janus Venture Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the second Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.

Global and International Funds

- For Janus Henderson Adaptive Global Allocation Fund (formerly, Janus Adaptive Global Allocation Fund), the Trustees noted that, due to limited performance for the Fund, performance history was not a material factor.
- For Janus Henderson Asia Equity Fund (formerly, Janus Asia Equity Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the third Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, noting that the Fund has a performance fee structure that results in lower management fees during periods of underperformance, and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.
- For Janus Henderson Global Life Sciences Fund (formerly, Janus Global Life Sciences Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Global Real Estate Fund (formerly, Janus Global Real Estate Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the third Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, noting that the Fund has a performance fee structure that results in lower management fees during periods of underperformance, and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.
- For Janus Henderson Global Research Fund (formerly, Janus Global Research Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the third Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, noting that the Fund has a performance fee structure that results in lower management fees during periods of underperformance, and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.
- For Janus Henderson Global Select Fund (formerly, Janus Global Select Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.
- For Janus Henderson Global Technology Fund (formerly, Janus Global Technology Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the third Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance, and that the performance trend was improving.
- For Janus Overseas Fund (formerly, Janus Henderson Overseas Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, noting that the Fund has a performance fee structure that results in lower management fees during periods of underperformance, and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.

Janus Aspen Series

- For Janus Henderson Balanced Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Balanced Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the third Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.

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- For Janus Henderson Enterprise Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Enterprise Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Flexible Bond Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Flexible Bond Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Forty Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Forty Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Global Allocation Portfolio – Moderate (formerly, Janus Aspen Global Allocation Portfolio – Moderate), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.
- For Janus Henderson Global Research Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Global Research Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the third Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, noting that the Fund has a performance fee structure that results in lower management fees during periods of underperformance, and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.
- For Janus Henderson Global Technology Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Global Technology Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the third Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the second Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.
- For Janus Henderson Global Unconstrained Bond Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Global Unconstrained Bond Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the second Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson U.S. Low Volatility Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen INTECH U.S. Low Volatility Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Research Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Janus Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the first Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the second Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016.
- For Janus Henderson Overseas Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Overseas Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, noting that the Fund has a performance fee structure that results in lower management fees during periods of underperformance, and the steps Janus Capital had taken or was taking to improve performance.
- For Janus Henderson Mid Cap Value Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Perkins Mid Cap Value Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's performance was in the bottom Broadridge quartile for the 36 months ended May 31, 2016 and the first Broadridge quartile for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. The Trustees noted the reasons for the Fund's underperformance, noting that the Fund has a performance fee structure that results in lower management fees during periods of underperformance, the steps Janus Capital and Perkins had taken or were taking to improve performance, and that the performance trend was improving.

In consideration of each Fund's performance, the Trustees concluded that, taking into account the factors relevant to performance, as well as other considerations, including steps taken to improve performance, the Fund's performance warranted continuation of the Fund's investment advisory and subadvisory agreement(s).

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Costs of Services Provided

The Trustees examined information regarding the fees and expenses of each Fund in comparison to similar information for other comparable funds as provided by Broadridge, an independent data provider. They also reviewed an analysis of that information provided by their independent fee consultant and noted that the rate of management (investment advisory and any administration, but excluding out-of-pocket costs) fees for many of the Funds, after applicable waivers, was below the average management fee rate of the respective peer group of funds selected by an independent data provider. The Trustees also examined information regarding the subadvisory fees charged for subadvisory services, as applicable, noting that all such fees were paid by Janus Capital out of its management fees collected from such Fund.

The independent fee consultant provided its belief that the management fees charged by Janus Capital to each of the Funds under the current investment advisory and administration agreements are reasonable in relation to the services provided by Janus Capital. The independent fee consultant found: (1) the total expenses and management fees of the Funds to be reasonable relative to other mutual funds; (2) total expenses, on average, were 12% below the average total expenses of their respective Broadridge Expense Group peers and 20% below the average total expenses for their Broadridge Expense Universes; (3) management fees for the Funds, on average, were 11% below the average management fees for their Expense Groups and 13% below the average for their Expense Universes; and (4) Fund expenses at the functional level for each asset and share class category were reasonable. The Trustees also considered the total expenses for each share class of each Fund compared to the average total expenses for its Broadridge Expense Group peers and to average total expenses for its Broadridge Expense Universe.

The independent fee consultant concluded that, based on its strategic review of expenses at the complex, category and individual fund level, Fund expenses were found to be reasonable relative to both Expense Group and Expense Universe benchmarks. Further, for certain Funds, the independent fee consultant also performed a systematic "focus list" analysis of expenses in the context of the performance or service delivered to each set of investors in each share class in each selected Fund. Based on this analysis, the independent fee consultant found that the combination of service quality/performance and expenses on these individual Funds and share classes were reasonable in light of performance trends, performance histories, and existence of performance fees, breakpoints, and expense waivers on such Funds.

The Trustees considered the methodology used by Janus Capital and each subadviser in determining compensation payable to portfolio managers, the competitive environment for investment management talent, and the competitive market for mutual funds in different distribution channels.

The Trustees also reviewed management fees charged by Janus Capital and each subadviser to comparable separate account clients and to comparable non-affiliated funds subadvised by Janus Capital or by a subadviser (for which Janus Capital or the subadviser provides only or primarily portfolio management services). Although in most instances subadvisory and separate account fee rates for various investment strategies were lower than management fee rates for Funds having a similar strategy, the Trustees considered that Janus Capital noted that, under the terms of the management agreements with the Funds, Janus Capital performs significant additional services for the Funds that it does not provide to those other clients, including administration services, oversight of the Funds' other service providers, trustee support, regulatory compliance and numerous other services, and that, in serving the Funds, Janus Capital assumes many legal risks and other costs that it does not assume in servicing its other clients. Moreover, they noted that the independent fee consultant found that: (1) the management fees Janus Capital charges to the Funds are reasonable in relation to the management fees Janus Capital charges to its institutional and subadvised accounts; (2) these institutional and subadvised accounts have different service and infrastructure needs; (3) Janus mutual fund investors enjoy reasonable fees relative to the fees charged to Janus institutional and subadvised fund investors; and (4) in the majority of cases, the Funds receive proportionally better pricing than the industry in relation to Janus institutional and subadvised accounts.

The Trustees considered the fees for each Fund for its fiscal year ended in 2015, and noted the following with regard to each Fund's total expenses, net of applicable fee waivers (the Fund's "total expenses"):

Fixed-Income Funds and Money Market Funds

- For Janus Henderson Flexible Bond Fund (formerly, Janus Flexible Bond Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to

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limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.

- For Janus Henderson Global Bond Fund (formerly, Janus Global Bond Fund), the Trustees noted that although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Global Unconstrained Bond Fund (formerly, Janus Global Unconstrained Bond Fund), the Trustees noted that although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson High-Yield Fund (formerly, Janus High-Yield Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.
- For Janus Henderson Multi-Sector Income Fund (formerly, Janus Multi-Sector Income Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Real Return Fund (formerly, Janus Real Return Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses were equal to or exceeded the peer group average for all share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Short-Term Bond Fund (formerly, Janus Short-Term Bond Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Government Money Market Fund (formerly, Janus Government Money Market Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for both share classes. The Trustees considered that management fees for this Fund are higher than the peer group average due to the Fund's management fee including other costs, such as custody and transfer agent services, while many funds in the peer group pay these expenses separately from their management fee. In addition, the Trustees considered that Janus Capital voluntarily waives one-half of its advisory fee and other expenses in order to maintain a positive yield.
- For Janus Henderson Money Market Fund (formerly, Janus Money Market Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for both share classes. In addition, the Trustees considered that Janus Capital voluntarily waives one-half of its advisory fee and other expenses in order to maintain a positive yield.

Asset Allocation Funds

- For Janus Henderson Global Allocation Fund – Conservative (formerly, Janus Global Allocation Fund – Conservative), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group median for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.
- For Janus Henderson Global Allocation Fund – Growth (formerly, Janus Global Allocation Fund – Growth), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for all share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Global Allocation Fund – Moderate (formerly, Janus Global Allocation Fund – Moderate), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share

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class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.

Alternative Fund

- For Janus Henderson Diversified Alternatives Fund (formerly, Janus Diversified Alternatives Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.

Value Funds

- For Janus Henderson International Value Fund (formerly, Perkins International Value Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Global Value Fund (formerly, Perkins Global Value Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for all share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Large Cap Value Fund (formerly, Perkins Large Cap Value Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Mid Cap Value Fund (formerly, Perkins Mid Cap Value Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.
- For Janus Henderson Select Value Fund (formerly, Perkins Select Value Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Small Cap Value Fund (formerly, Perkins Small Cap Value Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for all share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Value Plus Income Fund (formerly, Perkins Value Plus Income Fund), the Trustees noted that although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.

Mathematical Funds

- For Janus Henderson Emerging Markets Managed Volatility Fund (formerly, INTECH Emerging Markets Managed Volatility Fund), the Trustees noted that although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Global Income Managed Volatility Fund (formerly, INTECH Global Income Managed Volatility Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for all share classes.
- For Janus Henderson International Managed Volatility Fund (formerly, INTECH International Managed Volatility Fund), the Trustees noted that although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson U.S. Managed Volatility Fund (formerly, INTECH U.S. Managed Volatility Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class,

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overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.

Growth and Core Funds

- For Janus Henderson Balanced Fund (formerly, Janus Balanced Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.
- For Janus Henderson Contrarian Fund (formerly, Janus Contrarian Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.
- For Janus Henderson Enterprise Fund (formerly, Janus Enterprise Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.
- For Janus Henderson Forty Fund (formerly, Janus Forty Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.
- For Janus Henderson Growth and Income Fund (formerly, Janus Growth and Income Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.
- For Janus Henderson Research Fund (formerly, Janus Research Fund), the Trustees noted that although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable.
- For Janus Henderson Triton Fund (formerly, Janus Triton Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.
- For Janus Henderson Venture Fund (formerly, Janus Venture Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.

Global and International Funds

- For Janus Henderson Adaptive Global Allocation Fund (formerly, Janus Adaptive Global Allocation Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group median for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Asia Equity Fund (formerly, Janus Asia Equity Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for one share class, overall the Fund's total

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expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.

- For Janus Henderson Global Life Sciences Fund (formerly, Janus Global Life Sciences Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for all share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Global Real Estate Fund (formerly, Janus Global Real Estate Fund), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for certain share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses, although this limit did not apply because the Fund's total expenses were already below the applicable fee limit.
- For Janus Henderson Global Research Fund (formerly, Janus Global Research Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for all share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Global Select Fund (formerly, Janus Global Select Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for all share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Global Technology Fund (formerly, Janus Global Technology Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for all share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Overseas Fund (formerly, Janus Overseas Fund), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for all share classes.

Janus Aspen Series

- For Janus Henderson Balanced Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Balanced Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for both share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Enterprise Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Enterprise Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for both share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Flexible Bond Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Flexible Bond Portfolio), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for both share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Forty Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Forty Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for both share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Global Allocation Portfolio – Moderate (formerly, Janus Aspen Global Allocation Portfolio – Moderate), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for both share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson Global Research Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Global Research Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for both share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Global Technology Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Global Technology Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for both share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Global Unconstrained Bond Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Global Unconstrained Bond Portfolio), the Trustees noted that, although the Fund's total expenses exceeded the peer group average for both share classes, overall the Fund's total expenses were reasonable. The Trustees also noted that Janus Capital has contractually agreed to limit the Fund's expenses.
- For Janus Henderson U.S. Low Volatility Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen INTECH U.S. Low Volatility Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for its sole share class.
- For Janus Henderson Research Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Janus Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group mean for both share classes.

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- For Janus Henderson Overseas Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Overseas Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for both share classes.
- For Janus Henderson Mid Cap Value Portfolio (formerly, Janus Aspen Perkins Mid Cap Value Portfolio), the Trustees noted that the Fund's total expenses were below the peer group average for both share classes.

The Trustees reviewed information on the profitability to Janus Capital and its affiliates of their relationships with each Fund, as well as an explanation of the methodology utilized by Janus Capital when allocating various expenses of Janus Capital and its affiliates with respect to contractual relationships with the Funds and other clients. The Trustees also reviewed the financial statements and corporate structure of Janus Capital's parent company. In their review, the Trustees considered whether Janus Capital and each subadviser receive adequate incentives and resources to manage the Funds effectively. The Trustees recognized that profitability comparisons among fund managers are difficult because very little comparative information is publicly available, and the profitability of any fund manager is affected by numerous factors, including the organizational structure of the particular fund manager, the types of funds and other accounts it manages, possible other lines of business, the methodology for allocating expenses, and the fund manager's capital structure and cost of capital. However, taking into account those factors and the analysis provided by the Trustees' independent fee consultant, and based on the information available, the Trustees concluded that Janus Capital's profitability with respect to each Fund in relation to the services rendered was reasonable.

The independent fee consultant found that, while assessing the reasonableness of expenses in light of Janus Capital's profits is dependent on comparisons with other publicly-traded mutual fund advisers, and that these comparisons are limited in accuracy by differences in complex size, business mix, institutional account orientation, and other factors, after accepting these limitations, the level of profit earned by Janus Capital from managing the Funds is reasonable.

The Trustees concluded that the management fees payable by each Fund to Janus Capital and its affiliates, as well as the fees paid by Janus Capital to the subadvisers of subadvised Funds, were reasonable in relation to the nature, extent, and quality of the services provided, taking into account the fees charged by other advisers for managing comparable mutual funds with similar strategies, the fees Janus Capital and the subadvisers charge to other clients, and, as applicable, the impact of fund performance on management fees payable by the Funds. The Trustees also concluded that each Fund's total expenses were reasonable, taking into account the size of the Fund, the quality of services provided by Janus Capital and any subadviser, the investment performance of the Fund, and any expense limitations agreed to or provided by Janus Capital.

Economies of Scale

The Trustees considered information about the potential for Janus Capital to realize economies of scale as the assets of the Funds increase. They noted their independent fee consultant's analysis of economies of scale in prior years. They also noted that, although many Funds pay advisory fees at a base fixed rate as a percentage of net assets, without any breakpoints, their independent fee consultant concluded that 91% of these Funds have contractual management fees (gross of waivers) below their Broadridge expense group averages and, overall, 83% of the Funds are below their respective expense group averages for contractual management fees. They also noted that for those Funds whose expenses are being reduced by the contractual expense limitations of Janus Capital, Janus Capital is subsidizing the Funds because they have not reached adequate scale. Moreover, as the assets of some of the Funds have declined in the past few years, certain Funds have benefited from having advisory fee rates that have remained constant rather than increasing as assets declined. In addition, performance fee structures have been implemented for various Funds that have caused the effective rate of advisory fees payable by such a Fund to vary depending on the investment performance of the Fund relative to its benchmark index over the measurement period; and a few Funds have fee schedules with breakpoints and reduced fee rates above certain asset levels. The Trustees also noted that the Funds share directly in economies of scale through the lower charges of third-party service providers that are based in part on the combined scale of all of the Funds. Based on all of the information they reviewed, including past research and analysis conducted by the Trustees' independent fee consultant, the Trustees concluded that the current fee structure of each Fund was reasonable and that the current rates of fees do reflect a sharing between Janus Capital and the Fund of any economies of scale that may be present at the current asset level of the Fund.

The independent fee consultant concluded that, given the limitations of various analytical approaches to economies of scale considered in prior years, and their conflicting results, its analyses could not confirm or deny the existence of economies of scale in the Janus complex. Further, the independent fee consultant provided its belief that Fund

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investors are well-served by the fee levels and performance fee structures in place on the Funds in light of any economies of scale that may be present at Janus Capital.

Other Benefits to Janus Capital

The Trustees also considered benefits that accrue to Janus Capital and its affiliates and subadvisers to the Funds from their relationships with the Funds. They recognized that two affiliates of Janus Capital separately serve the Funds as transfer agent and distributor, respectively, and the transfer agent receives compensation directly from the non-money market funds for services provided. The Trustees also considered Janus Capital's past and proposed use of commissions paid by the Funds on portfolio brokerage transactions to obtain proprietary and third-party research products and services benefiting the Fund and/or other clients of Janus Capital and/or Janus Capital, and/or a subadviser to a Fund. The Trustees concluded that Janus Capital's and the subadvisers' use of these types of client commission arrangements to obtain proprietary and third-party research products and services was consistent with regulatory requirements and guidelines and was likely to benefit each Fund. The Trustees also concluded that, other than the services provided by Janus Capital and its affiliates and subadvisers pursuant to the agreements and the fees to be paid by each Fund therefor, the Funds and Janus Capital and the subadvisers may potentially benefit from their relationship with each other in other ways. They concluded that Janus Capital and/or the subadvisers benefits from the receipt of research products and services acquired through commissions paid on portfolio transactions of the Funds and that the Funds benefit from Janus Capital's and/or the subadvisers' receipt of those products and services as well as research products and services acquired through commissions paid by other clients of Janus Capital and/or other clients of the subadvisers. They further concluded that the success of any Fund could attract other business to Janus Capital, the subadvisers or other Janus funds, and that the success of Janus Capital and the subadvisers could enhance Janus Capital's and the subadvisers' ability to serve the Funds.

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Useful Information About Your Portfolio Report (unaudited)

Management Commentary

The Management Commentary in this report includes valuable insight as well as statistical information to help you understand how your Portfolio's performance and characteristics stack up against those of comparable indices.

If the Portfolio invests in foreign securities, this report may include information about country exposure. Country exposure is based primarily on the country of risk. A company may be allocated to a country based on other factors such as location of the company's principal office, the location of the principal trading market for the company's securities, or the country where a majority of the company's revenues are derived.

Please keep in mind that the opinions expressed in the Management Commentary are just that: opinions. They are a reflection based on best judgment at the time this report was compiled, which was June 30, 2017. As the investing environment changes, so could opinions. These views are unique and are not necessarily shared by fellow employees or by Janus Henderson in general.

Performance Overviews

Performance overview graphs compare the performance of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment in the Portfolio with one or more widely used market indices. When comparing the performance of the Portfolio with an index, keep in mind that market indices are not available for investment and do not reflect deduction of expenses.

Average annual total returns are quoted for a Portfolio with more than one year of performance history. Average annual total return is calculated by taking the growth or decline in value of an investment over a period of time, including reinvestment of dividends and distributions, then calculating the annual compounded percentage rate that would have produced the same result had the rate of growth been constant throughout the period. Average annual total return does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Portfolio distributions or redemptions of Portfolio shares.

Cumulative total returns are quoted for a Portfolio with less than one year of performance history. Cumulative total return is the growth or decline in value of an investment over time, independent of the period of time involved. Cumulative total return does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Portfolio distributions or redemptions of Portfolio shares.

Pursuant to federal securities rules, expense ratios shown in the performance chart reflect subsidized (if applicable) and unsubsidized ratios. The total annual fund operating expenses ratio is gross of any fee waivers, reflecting the Portfolio's unsubsidized expense ratio. The net annual fund operating expenses ratio (if applicable) includes contractual waivers of Janus Capital and reflects the Portfolio's subsidized expense ratio. Ratios may be higher or lower than those shown in the "Financial Highlights" in this report.

Schedule of Investments

Following the performance overview section is the Portfolio's Schedule of Investments. This schedule reports the types of securities held in the Portfolio on the last day of the reporting period. Securities are usually listed by type (common stock, corporate bonds, U.S. Government obligations, etc.) and by industry classification (banking, communications, insurance, etc.). Holdings are subject to change without notice.

The value of each security is quoted as of the last day of the reporting period. The value of securities denominated in foreign currencies is converted into U.S. dollars.

If the Portfolio invests in foreign securities, it will also provide a summary of investments by country. This summary reports the Portfolio exposure to different countries by providing the percentage of securities invested in each country. The country of each security represents the country of risk. The Portfolio's Schedule of Investments relies upon the industry group and country classifications published by Barclays and/or MSCI Inc.

Tables listing details of individual forward currency contracts, futures, written options, swaptions, and swaps follow the Portfolio's Schedule of Investments (if applicable).

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

This statement is often referred to as the "balance sheet." It lists the assets and liabilities of the Portfolio on the last day of the reporting period.

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The Portfolio's assets are calculated by adding the value of the securities owned, the receivable for securities sold but not yet settled, the receivable for dividends declared but not yet received on securities owned, and the receivable for Portfolio shares sold to investors but not yet settled. The Portfolio's liabilities include payables for securities purchased but not yet settled, Portfolio shares redeemed but not yet paid, and expenses owed but not yet paid. Additionally, there may be other assets and liabilities such as unrealized gain or loss on forward currency contracts.

The section entitled "Net Assets Consist of" breaks down the components of the Portfolio's net assets. Because the Portfolio must distribute substantially all earnings, you will notice that a significant portion of net assets is shareholder capital.

The last section of this statement reports the net asset value ("NAV") per share on the last day of the reporting period. The NAV is calculated by dividing the Portfolio's net assets for each share class (assets minus liabilities) by the number of shares outstanding.

Statement of Operations

This statement details the Portfolio's income, expenses, realized gains and losses on securities and currency transactions, and changes in unrealized appreciation or depreciation of Portfolio holdings.

The first section in this statement, entitled "Investment Income," reports the dividends earned from securities and interest earned from interest-bearing securities in the Portfolio.

The next section reports the expenses incurred by the Portfolio, including the advisory fee paid to the investment adviser, transfer agent fees and expenses, and printing and postage for mailing statements, financial reports and prospectuses. Expense offsets and expense reimbursements, if any, are also shown.

The last section lists the amounts of realized gains or losses from investment and foreign currency transactions, and changes in unrealized appreciation or depreciation of investments and foreign currency-denominated assets and liabilities. The Portfolio will realize a gain (or loss) when it sells its position in a particular security. A change in unrealized gain (or loss) refers to the change in net appreciation or depreciation of the Portfolio during the reporting period. "Net Realized and Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments" is affected both by changes in the market value of Portfolio holdings and by gains (or losses) realized during the reporting period.

Statements of Changes in Net Assets

These statements report the increase or decrease in the Portfolio's net assets during the reporting period. Changes in the Portfolio's net assets are attributable to investment operations, dividends and distributions to investors, and capital share transactions. This is important to investors because it shows exactly what caused the Portfolio's net asset size to change during the period.

The first section summarizes the information from the Statement of Operations regarding changes in net assets due to the Portfolio's investment operations. The Portfolio's net assets may also change as a result of dividend and capital gains distributions to investors. If investors receive their dividends and/or distributions in cash, money is taken out of the Portfolio to pay the dividend and/or distribution. If investors reinvest their dividends and/or distributions, the Portfolio's net assets will not be affected. If you compare the Portfolio's "Net Decrease from Dividends and Distributions" to "Reinvested Dividends and Distributions," you will notice that dividends and distributions have little effect on the Portfolio's net assets. This is because the majority of the Portfolio's investors reinvest their dividends and/or distributions.

The reinvestment of dividends and distributions is included under "Capital Share Transactions." "Capital Shares" refers to the money investors contribute to the Portfolio through purchases or withdrawals via redemptions. The Portfolio's net assets will increase and decrease in value as investors purchase and redeem shares from the Portfolio.

Financial Highlights

This schedule provides a per-share breakdown of the components that affect the Portfolio's NAV for current and past reporting periods as well as total return, asset size, ratios, and portfolio turnover rate.

The first line in the table reflects the NAV per share at the beginning of the reporting period. The next line reports the net investment income/(loss) per share. Following is the per share total of net gains/(losses), realized and unrealized. Per share dividends and distributions to investors are then subtracted to arrive at the NAV per share at the end of the

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period. The next line reflects the total return for the period. Also included are ratios of expenses and net investment income to average net assets.

The Portfolio's expenses may be reduced through expense offsets and expense reimbursements. The ratios shown reflect expenses before and after any such offsets and reimbursements.

The ratio of net investment income/(loss) summarizes the income earned less expenses, divided by the average net assets of the Portfolio during the reporting period. Do not confuse this ratio with the Portfolio's yield. The net investment income ratio is not a true measure of the Portfolio's yield because it does not take into account the dividends distributed to the Portfolio's investors.

The next figure is the portfolio turnover rate, which measures the buying and selling activity in the Portfolio. Portfolio turnover is affected by market conditions, changes in the asset size of the Portfolio, fluctuating volume of shareholder purchase and redemption orders, the nature of the Portfolio's investments, and the investment style and/or outlook of the portfolio manager(s) and/or investment personnel. A 100% rate implies that an amount equal to the value of the entire portfolio was replaced once during the fiscal year; a 50% rate means that an amount equal to the value of half the portfolio is traded in a year; and a 200% rate means that an amount equal to the value of the entire portfolio is traded every six months.

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Shareholder Meeting (unaudited)

Special meetings of shareholders were held on April 6, 2017 and adjourned and reconvened on April 18, 2017 (together, the "meeting"). At the meeting, the following matters were voted on and approved by shareholders. Each vote reported represents one dollar of net asset value held on the record date for the meeting. The results of the meeting are noted below.

Proposals

1. For all Portfolios, to approve a new investment advisory agreement between the Trust, on behalf of the Portfolio, and Janus Capital Management LLC.

Record Date Votes (\$)	Number of Votes (\$)					Total				
	Affirmative	Against	Abstain	BNV						
882,303,342.586	574,770,458.510	16,071,053.233	40,646,606.644	(0.028)		631,488,118.360				
Percentage of Total Outstanding Votes (%)						Percentage Voted (%)				
Affirmative	Against	Abstain	BNV	Total	Affirmative	Against	Abstain	BNV	Total	
65.144	1.821	4.607	0.000	71.573	91.018	2.545	6.437	0.000	100.000	

4. To elect an additional Trustee to the Board of Trustees of the Trust. - Diane L. Wallace.

Record Date Votes (\$)	Number of Votes (\$)					Total				
	Affirmative	Against	Abstain	BNV						
7,198,647,378.476	6,547,141,899.530	651,505,478.947	0.000	0.000		7,198,647,378.476				
Percentage of Total Outstanding Votes (%)						Percentage Voted (%)				
Affirmative	Against	Abstain	BNV	Total	Affirmative	Against	Abstain	BNV	Total	
80.347	7.995	0.000	0.000	88.343	90.950	9.050	0.000	0.000	100.000	

Alan A. Brown, William D. Cvengros, Raudline Etienne, William F. McCalpin, Gary A. Poliner, James T. Rothe, William D. Stewart and Linda S. Wolf continue to serve as Trustees following the meeting.

5. For all Portfolios, except Global Unconstrained Bond Portfolio, to approve a proposal that would authorize the Adviser to enter into and materially amend sub-advisory agreements in the future with wholly-owned subadvisers and unaffiliated sub-advisers, with the approval of the Board of Trustees of the Trust, but without obtaining additional shareholder approval.

Record Date Votes (\$)	Number of Votes (\$)					Total				
	Affirmative	Against	Abstain	BNV						
882,303,342.586	518,490,273.337	62,328,462.044	50,669,382.985	(0.006)		631,488,118.360				
Percentage of Total Outstanding Votes (%)						Percentage Voted (%)				
Affirmative	Against	Abstain	BNV	Total	Affirmative	Against	Abstain	BNV	Total	
58.766	7.064	5.743	0.000	71.573	82.106	9.870	8.024	0.000	100.000	

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