Financial Statements of

# LEITH WHEELER PREFERRED SHARE FUND

And Independent Auditor's Report thereon

Years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023



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#### MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The accompanying financial statements of Leith Wheeler Preferred Share Fund (the "Fund") have been prepared by the Manager, Leith Wheeler Investment Counsel Ltd. The Manager is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Fund's financial statements and the development of internal controls over the financial reporting process.

The Board of Directors of the Manager is responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements and for overseeing the Manager's performance of its financial reporting responsibilities. The Board of Directors has approved the accompanying financial statements of the Fund.

KPMG LLP, the external auditors of the Fund, were appointed by the Manager. As explained in their auditor's report, KPMG LLP have audited the financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards to enable them to express to the unitholders their opinion on the financial statements.

Leith Wheeler Investment Counsel Ltd.	
"James F. Gilliland"	"Cecilia Wong"
President and Chief Executive Officer	Chief Financial Officer

March 28, 2025



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Unitholders of the Leith Wheeler Preferred Share Fund

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of the Leith Wheeler Preferred Share Fund (the "Fund"), which comprise:

- the statements of financial position as at December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023
- the statements of comprehensive income for the years then ended
- the statements of changes in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units for the years then ended
- the statements of cash flows for the years then ended
- and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of material accounting policy information

(hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as at December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, its financial performance and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards.

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our auditor's report.

We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Other Information

The Manager is responsible for the other information. Other information comprises:

 the information, other than the financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, included in the Annual Management Report of Fund Performance filed with the relevant Canadian Securities Commissions.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not and will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.



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In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit and remain alert for indications that the other information appears to be materially misstated.

We obtained the information, other than the financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, included in the Annual Management Report of Fund Performance filed with the relevant Canadian Securities Commissions as at the date of this auditor's report. If, based on the work we have performed on this other information, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact in the auditor's report.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

# Responsibilities of the Manager and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

The Manager is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as the Manager determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Manager is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Manager either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process.

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

#### We also:

• Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



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- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Manager's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Manager.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Manager's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the
  disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and
  events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

**Chartered Professional Accountants** 

Vancouver, Canada March 28, 2025

LPMG LLP

Statements of Financial Position

(Expressed in thousands of dollars except for per unit amounts)

December 31, 2024 and 2023

	Note	2024	2023
Assets			
Cash		\$ 160	\$ 200
Amounts due from brokers		64	-
Interest and dividends receivable		52	50
Investments at fair value		58,300	45,955
		58,576	46,205
Liabilities			
Amounts due to brokers		-	-
Management fees payable		1	1
Administration fees payable		1	1
Redemptions payable		-	-
		2	2
Net assets, attributable to holders of redeemable units		\$ 58,574	\$ 46,203
Represented by:			
Series A Series B		\$ 57,102 -	\$ 44,745
Series F		1,472	1,458
		\$ 58,574	\$ 46,203
Net assets, attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit	:		
Series A Series B		\$ 9.98	\$ 8.08
Series F		9.95	8.06

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors of Leith Wheeler Investment Counsel Ltd., in its capacity as Manager.

<u>"James F. Gilliland"</u> Director	<u>"Jonathon D. Palfre</u>	<u>y"</u> Director
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Statements of Comprehensive Income

(Expressed in thousands of dollars except for per unit amounts)

Years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	Note		2024		2023
Revenue:					
Dividend income		\$	2,327	\$	2,422
Interest income for distribution purposes		·	103	·	49
Changes in fair value of investments:					
Net realized gain (loss)			1,239		(1,292)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)			9,660		2,850
Total revenue (loss)			13,329		4,029
Expenses:					
Management fees	1		10		42
Administration fees	1		12		2
Commissions and transaction costs			9		29
Filing fees			-		9
Audit fees			-		10
GST/HST Custodial fees			2		6
			-		8 2
Independent review committee fees			-		
Total operating expenses			33		108
Expenses waived or absorbed by Manager			-		(30)
Net operating expenses			33		78
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units from operations excluding distributions			13,296		3,951
Distributions to holders of redeemable units:					,
From net investment income			(2,387)		(2,346)
From net realized gains on investments			(2,387)		(2,346)
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of					
redeemable units from operations		\$	10,909	\$	1,605
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units from operations:					
Series A		\$	10,593	\$	1,403
Series B		Ψ	-	*	4
Series F			316		198
		\$	10,909	\$	1,605
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of					
redeemable units per unit from operations (excluding distribu	tions):				
Series A		\$	2.35	\$	0.71
Series B		Ψ		*	0.70
Series F			2.30		0.42

Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units (Expressed in thousands of dollars)

Years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

Series A	2024		2023
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 44,745	\$	37,248
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to			
holders of redeemable units from operations	10,593		1,403
Redeemable unit transactions:			
Issue of redeemable units	7,369		10,433
Reinvestment of distributions	2,257		2,187
Redemption of redeemable units	(7,862)		(6,526)
Net increase (decrease) from redeemable unit transactions	1,764		6,094
Balance, end of year	\$ 57,102	\$	44,745
Series B	2024		2023
Balance, beginning of year	\$ -	\$	83
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to			4
holders of redeemable units from operations	-		4
Redeemable unit transactions:			
Issue of redeemable units	-		-
Reinvestment of distributions	-		-
Redemption of redeemable units	-		(87)
Net increase (decrease) from redeemable unit transactions	-		(87)
Balance, end of year	\$ -	\$	-
Series F	2024		2023
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,458	\$	11,965
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to			
holders of redeemable units from operations	316		198
Redeemable unit transactions:			
Issue of redeemable units	138		193
Reinvestment of distributions	11		103
Redemption of redeemable units	(451)		(11,001)
Net increase (decrease) from redeemable unit transactions	(302)		(10,705)
Balance, end of year	\$ 1,472	\$	1,458
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Statements of Cash Flows

(Expressed in thousands of dollars)

Years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Cash provided by (used in):		
Operating activities:		
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to		
holders of redeemable units from operations	\$ 10,909	\$ 1,605
Adjustments for:		
Interest income for distribution purposes	(103)	(49)
Dividend income	(2,327)	(2,422)
Net realized (gain) loss from investments	(1,239)	1,292
Net change in unrealized (appreciation)		
depreciation from investments	(9,660)	(2,850)
Non-cash distributions	2,268	2,290
Amounts due from brokers	(64)	109
Amounts due to brokers	-	(279)
Management fees payable	-	(24)
Administration fees payable	-	1
Proceeds from sale of investments	17,425	22,700
Purchases of investments	(18,871)	(18,443)
Interest received	135	147
Dividends received	2,293	2,384
	766	6,461
Financing activities:		
Proceeds from issue of redeemable units	7,507	10,626
Payments on redemption of redeemable units	(8,313)	(17,615)
	(806)	(6,989)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(40)	(528)
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Cash, beginning of year	200	728
Cash, end of year	\$ 160	\$ 200

Schedule of Investment Portfolio (Expressed in thousands of dollars)

December 31, 2024

Security	Coupon rate %	Maturity	P	ar value		Cost		Fair value	% of Net assets
BONDS	Tate 70	Maturity	- 1	ai value		COST		value	assets
Corporate: Bank of Montreal, Variable, Callable, Perpetua	1 7.37	31-Dec-2049	\$	400	\$	403	\$	423	
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Series '56', Variable, Callable, Perpetual	7.37	31-Dec-2049		500		503		527	
Royal Bank of Canada, Series 'BT', Variable,									
Callable, Perpetual	4.20	31-Dec-2049		600		509 <b>1,415</b>		541 <b>1,491</b>	2.5
TOTAL BONDS AND SHADANTEES					_		_		
TOTAL BONDS AND GUARANTEES					\$	1,415	\$	1,491	2.5
			Ni	ımber of				Foir	% of Net
Security				holdings		Cost		Fair value	% of Net
PREFERRED SHARES									
Communication Services:							_		
BCE Inc., Series 'Z' BCE Inc., Series 'AA', Perpetual				3,600 17,100	\$	69 343	\$	64 284	
BCE Inc., Series 'Al', Perpetual				5,000		98		78	
BCE Inc., Series 'AK', Perpetual BCE Inc., Series 'AM', Perpetual				2,800 223,200		44 3,703		42 3,535	
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Consumer Staple:									
George Weston Limited, Series 'I'				7,000		168		170	
						168		170	0.3
Energy:									
Cenovus Energy Inc., Series '5'				29,400		624		732	
Cenovus Energy Inc., Series '7' Enbridge Inc., Series '11'				2,000 2,000		39 36		50 39	
Enbridge Inc., Series '13', Perpetual				117,800		1,948		2,264	
Enbridge Inc., Series '15', Perpetual				182,272		2,891		3,509	
Pembina Pipeline Corporation, Series '19', Cal	lable, Pe	rpetual		10,500		250		261	
Pembina Pipeline Corporation, Series '21'	•	•		13,300		263		321	
Pembina Pipeline Corporation, Series '25', Per				37,200		763		932	
Pembina Pipeline Corporation, Series '7', Perp				18,100		361		404	
Pembina Pipeline Corporation, Series '9', Perp	etual			25,900		526		641	
TC Energy Corporation, Series '1', Perpetual				15,400		240		278	
TC Energy Corporation, Series '11' TC Energy Corporation, Series '3', Perpetual				99,400 60,000		1,985		2,205	
TC Energy Corporation, Series 5, Perpetual TC Energy Corporation, Series '5'				21,100		834 257		875 313	
TC Energy Corporation, Series '9', Perpetual				74,000		1,204		1,425	
						12,221		14,249	24.3
Financials:									
Bank of Montreal, Series '33'				10,254		182		255	
Brookfield Corporation, Series '24'				35,400		573		644	
Brookfield Corporation, Series '38'				6,000		119		124	
Brookfield Corporation, Series '42'				47,400		816		1,014	
Brookfield Corporation, Series '46' Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Series	'/\2'			24,400 32,700		550 761		601 814	
Great-West Lifeco Inc.	40			7,600		202		162	
Great-West Lifeco Inc., Series 'G'				25,800		585		560	
Great-West Lifeco Inc., Series 'H'				21,600		527		440	
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Schedule of Investment Portfolio (continued) (Expressed in thousands of dollars)

December 31, 2024

	Number of		Fair	% of Net
Security	holdings	Cost	value	assets
PREFERRED SHARES (continued):				
Financials (continued):				
Great-West Lifeco Inc., Series 'L'	21,400	\$ 472	\$ 512	
Great-West Lifeco Inc., Series 'M', Perpetual	4,400	98	107	
Great-West Lifeco Inc., Series 'N'	92,600	1,172	1,468	
Great-West Lifeco Inc., Series 'P', Perpetual	41,800	936	945	
Great-West Lifeco Inc., Series 'Q'	8,700	199	187	
Great-West Lifeco Inc., Series 'R'	22,000	554	442	
Great-West Lifeco Inc., Series 'S', Perpetual	43,800	1,055	960	
Intact Financial Corporation	38,400	979	864	
Intact Financial Corporation, Series '11', Callable, Perpetual	1,900	42	42	
Intact Financial Corporation, Series '3'	140,300	2,777	3,122	
Intact Financial Corporation, Series '9', Perpetual	1,100	30	25	
Manulife Financial Corporation, Series '17'	23,300	405	531	
Manulife Financial Corporation, Series '19'	55,100	964	1,190	
Manulife Financial Corporation, Series '9'	7,900	176	195	
Power Financial Corporation, Series 'P', Perpetual	11,100	142	178	
Royal Bank of Canada, Series 'BD', Perpetual	132,400	2,775	3,295	
Royal Bank of Canada, Series 'BF', Perpetual	32,900	551	811	
Sun Life Financial Inc., Series '10R', Variable, Callable, Perpetual	29,200	549	573	
Sun Life Financial Inc., Series '8R', Perpetual	44,100	612	752	
The Toronto-Dominion Bank, Series '5', Perpetual	10,000	173	252	
The Toronto-Dominion Bank, Series '7'	57,623	1,166	1,434	
The Toronto-Dominion Bank, Series '9'	133,800	2,808	3,310	
		22,950	25,809	44.
Itilities:				
AltaGas Limited, Series 'A'	41,800	666	838	
AltaGas Limited, Series 'G'	1,300	21	31	
Brookfield Renewable Power Preferred Equity Inc., Callable, Perpetual	38,500	732	893	
Brookfield Renewable Power Preferred Equity Inc., Series '1'	125,900	2,304	2,707	
Brookfield Renewable Power Preferred Equity Inc., Series '6'	24,900	474	482	
Canadian Utilities Limited, Series 'AA', Perpetual	10,300	194	221	
Canadian Utilities Limited, Series 'BB', Perpetual	25,400	527	538	
Canadian Utilities Limited, Series 'EE', Perpetual	27,000	609	604	
Canadian Utilities Limited, Series 'FF', Perpetual	9,100	222	225	
Canadian Utilities Limited, Series 'W', Perpetual	20,000	452	402	
CU Inc., Series '1', Perpetual	47,100	1,014	898	
CU Inc., Series '4', Perpetual	52,900	797	806	
Emera Inc., Series 'A', Perpetual	22,400	384	377	
Emera Inc., Series 'F', Perpetual	10,900	198	233	
Emera Inc., Series 'J'	36,800	633	837	
Emera Inc., Series 'L', Perpetual	3,000	75	57	
Fortis Inc., Series 'M'	92,500	1,716	1,981	
		11,018	12,130	20.7
OTAL PREFERRED SHARES		\$ 50,614	\$ 56,361	96.2
ONEY MARKET SECURITIES		\$ <u>448</u>	448	0.8
RANSACTION COSTS		(9)		
OTAL INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO		\$ 52,468	\$ 58,300	99.
OTHER ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES			274	0.5

Notes to Financial Statements – Fund Specific Information (Tabular amounts expressed in thousands of dollars)

Years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

The Fund Specific Information for the Leith Wheeler Preferred Share Fund (the "Fund") contained herein should be read in conjunction with the "Notes to Financial Statements - General Information related to all Leith Wheeler Investment Funds" beginning after the "Notes to Financial Statements - Fund Specific Information".

#### 1. Management fees and administration fees:

Management fee distributions year ended December 31, 2024 were nil (2023 - nil).

Management fees and administration fees of each series of the Fund are payable to the Manager and calculated at the following annual percentages, before GST/HST, of the daily NAV of each series of the Fund. Administration fees became effective November 1, 2023. Prior to this date there were no administration fees. During 2023 and 2024 there were no changes to management fees.

Fee	Series A	Series F
Management Fees	*	0.70%
Administration Fees	0.02%	0.10%

<sup>\*</sup> Series A unitholders pay a negotiated management fee

#### 2. Withholding tax and other income taxes:

Certain dividends and interest income received by the Fund are subject to withholding tax imposed in the country of origin. During the year, withholding tax rates were between 0% and 35% (2023 - between 0% and 35%).

The Fund has capital losses of approximately \$466,000 (2023 - \$648,000) available for utilization against capital gains in future years. The Fund has non-capital losses of nil (2023 - nil) available for utilization against net realized capital gains or non-capital gains in future years.

#### 3. Redeemable units:

The redeemable unit transactions for the Fund during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

	Outstanding units at beginning of year	Issued during the year	Issued on reinvestment of distributions	Redeemed during the year	Outstanding units at end of year
Series A: 2024 2023	5,541 4,747	805 1,329	240 282	(867) (817)	5,719 5,541
Series B: 2024 2023	- 11	<u>-</u>	- -	- (11)	- -
Series F: 2024 2023	181 1,578	15 43	1 14	(49) (1,454)	148 181

Notes to Financial Statements – Fund Specific Information (Tabular amounts expressed in thousands of dollars)

Years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### 4. Financial risk management:

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide investors with income and the opportunity for long term capital appreciation by investing primarily in a portfolio of Canadian preferred share securities. The Fund is exposed to various types of financial risks that are associated with its investment strategies, financial instruments and market in which it invests. These include liquidity risk and market risk which consists of other price risk. The Fund is not exposed to significant credit, currency or interest rate risks.

For a comprehensive discussion of the risks applicable to the Fund refer to note 6 under the "General Information related to all Leith Wheeler Investment Funds". Financial risks applicable to the Fund are discussed in more detail below.

#### (a) Liquidity risk:

The Fund's redeemable units are due on demand. The Fund's remaining liabilities are due within twelve months of the year-end of the Fund.

#### (b) Market risk:

#### (i) Other price risk:

For this Fund, the most significant exposure to other price risk arises from its investment in equity instruments. As at December 31, 2024 and 2023, had the relevant benchmark/broad-based indices increased or decreased by 5%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units would have increased or decreased by approximately \$2,818,000 and \$2,215,000, respectively. In practice, actual results may differ from this sensitivity analysis and these differences could be material.

#### 5. Fair value of financial instruments:

For a general discussion of the Fund's fair value measurements, refer to note 7 under the "General Information related to all Leith Wheeler Investment Funds".

#### (a) Fair value hierarchy - financial instruments measured at fair value:

The table below analyses financial instruments measured at fair value at the reporting date by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorized. The amounts are based on the values recognized in the statement of financial position.

All fair value measurements below are recurring.

December 31, 2024	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Money Market Securities Bonds Preferred Shares	\$ - - 56,361	\$ 448 1,491 -	\$ - - -	\$ 448 1,491 56,361
	\$ 56,361	\$ 1,939	\$ -	\$ 58,300

Notes to Financial Statements – Fund Specific Information (Tabular amounts expressed in thousands of dollars)

Years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### 5. Fair value of financial instruments (continued):

(a) Fair value hierarchy - financial instruments measured at fair value (continued):

December 31, 2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Money Market Securities Bonds Preferred Shares	\$ - - 42,610	\$ 247 1,410 1,688	\$ - - -	\$ 247 1,410 44,298
	\$ 42,610	\$ 3,345	\$ -	\$ 45,955

During 2024 and 2023, there were no transfers of financial instruments between the three levels.

The carrying amount of the Fund's net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units approximates fair value as they are measured at redemption amount and are classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

#### 6. Related party transactions:

At December 31, 2024, the Leith Wheeler Income Advantage Fund, Leith Wheeler Corporate Advantage Fund and Leith Wheeler Balanced Fund owned 541,222 Series A units (2023 - 681,112), 3,300,238 Series A units (2023 - 3,119,603) and 50,179 Series A units (2023 - nil) of the Fund respectively, which are both under common management. Combined, the holdings represent 66.4% (2023 - 66.4%) of the Fund.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fund paid approximately \$231,000 (2023 - \$288,000) in distributions to Leith Wheeler Income Advantage Fund, \$1,329,000 (2023 - \$1,183,000) in distributions to Leith Wheeler Corporate Advantage Fund and \$10,000 (2023 - nil) in distributions to Leith Wheeler Balanced Fund.

Notes to Financial Statements - General Information related to all Leith Wheeler Investment Funds (Tabular amounts expressed in thousands of dollars)

Years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### 1. Reporting entities:

The Leith Wheeler Investment Funds (individually, a "Fund" and collectively, the "Funds") are Canadian Reporting Issuer Funds and consist of:

Fund	Date of Inception
Fund  Leith Wheeler Balanced Fund Leith Wheeler Canadian Dividend Fund Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund Leith Wheeler Carbon Constrained Canadian Equity Fund Leith Wheeler Corporate Advantage Fund Leith Wheeler High Yield Bond Fund Leith Wheeler Income Advantage Fund Leith Wheeler International Equity Plus Fund	Date of Inception  September 22, 1987 December 21, 2010 April 27, 1994 September 27, 2017 May 29, 2015 May 27, 2015 December 21, 2010 October 31, 2007
Leith Wheeler Money Market Fund Leith Wheeler Multi Credit Fund Leith Wheeler Preferred Share Fund Leith Wheeler U.S. Small/Mid-Cap Equity Fund	April 27, 1994 May 30, 2017 May 22, 2018 October 27, 2016

The Funds were established under the laws of British Columbia pursuant to various trust indentures between Leith Wheeler Investment Counsel Ltd., as manager (the "Manager"), and Canada Trust Company, as trustee. The Funds' current trustee is CIBC Mellon Trust Company and the Funds' custodian is CIBC Mellon.

The trust indentures for all the above Funds allow for an unlimited number of series and an unlimited number of units of each series. Currently, authorized and issued series of units are as follows: Series A, Series A (CAD Hedged) Series F, Series F (CAD Hedged) and Series I.

Series A units have no management fees. Unitholders of Series units pay a negotiated fee directly to the Manager and are available to investors that satisfy certain criteria related to the nature of the investors and certain other matters as established by the Manager. Series F and Series F (CAD Hedged) units carry management fees and are available to all investors. Series I units carry reduced management fees and are available to investors who have accounts with dealers who have signed a fee-based agreement with the Manager.

During 2023, Series B units of the Funds were either re-classified or redesignated as Series F units.

After the reclassification or re-designation to series F, Series B units are no longer outstanding.

The information provided in these financial statements and notes thereto is for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2024. In the year a Fund or series is established, "period" represents the period from inception to December 31 of that fiscal year.

The general information related to all Funds presented here should be read in conjunction with each respective Fund's "Notes to Financial Statements - Fund Specific Information".

The Funds are unit trusts domiciled in Canada. The address of the Funds' registered office is at 1500 - 400 Burrard Street, Vancouver B.C., V6C 3A6.

Notes to Financial Statements - General Information related to all Leith Wheeler Investment Funds (Tabular amounts expressed in thousands of dollars)

Years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### 2. Basis of preparation:

#### (a) Statement of compliance:

The financial statements of the Funds have been prepared in compliance with IFRS Accounting Standards. The financial statements were authorized for issue by the Manager on March 28, 2025.

#### (b) Basis of measurement:

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except for investments and derivatives, which are measured at fair value.

#### (c) Functional and presentation currency:

The Funds have their subscriptions, redemptions, price and performance denominated in Canadian dollars, which is their functional and presentation currency. Financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except for investments and derivatives, which are measured at fair value.

#### (d) Use of estimates and judgment:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards requires the Manager to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future period affected.

#### 3. Material accounting policy information:

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

#### (a) Financial instruments:

#### (i) Recognition and measurement:

Financial instruments are required to be classified into one of the following categories: amortized cost, fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI") or fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"). All financial instruments are measured at fair value on initial recognition. Measurement in subsequent periods depends on the classification of the financial instrument. Transaction costs are included in the initial carrying amount of financial instruments except for financial instruments classified as FVTPL in which case transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized initially on the trade date, which is the date on which the Funds become a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The Funds derecognize a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled or expire.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position only when the Funds have a legal right to offset the amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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#### 3. Material accounting policy information (continued):

- (a) Financial instruments (continued):
  - (i) Recognition and measurement (continued):

A financial asset that is a debt instrument is measured at amortized cost if it meets both of the following conditions:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal interest on the principal amount outstanding.

A financial asset that is a debt instrument is measured at FVOCI if it meets both of the following conditions:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows and sell financial assets; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal interest on the principal amount outstanding.

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortized cost or FVOCI as described above are measured at FVTPL. All equity securities are measured at FVTPL. On initial recognition the Fund may irrevocably elect to measure financial assets that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortized cost or at FVOCI as at FVTPL when doing so results in more relevant information.

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition, unless the Fund changes its business model for managing financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model.

The Funds have not classified any of its financial assets as FVOCI.

A financial liability is generally measured at amortized cost, with exceptions that may allow for classification as FVTPL. These exceptions include financial liabilities that are mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss, such as derivatives liabilities. The Funds may also, at initial recognition, irrevocably designate a financial liability as measured at FVTPL when doing so results in more relevant information.

#### (ii) Fair value through profit or loss:

Financial instruments classified as FVTPL are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting period with changes in fair value recognized in the statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they occur. The Funds' derivative financial assets and derivative financial liabilities and investments in securities are classified as FVTPL.

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#### 3. Material accounting policy information (continued):

- (a) Financial instruments (continued):
  - (ii) Fair value through profit or loss (continued):

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives and marketable securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the reporting date. The Funds use the last traded market price for both financial assets and financial liabilities where the last traded price falls within that day's bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager determines the point within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of fair value based on the specific facts and circumstances. The Funds' policy is to recognize transfers into and out of the fair value hierarchy levels as of the date of the event or change in circumstances giving rise to the transfer.

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market, including non-publicly traded derivative instruments, is determined using valuation techniques. Valuation techniques also include the use of comparable recent arm's length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, and others commonly used by market participants and which make the maximum use of observable inputs. Should the value of the financial asset or liability, in the opinion of the Manager, be inaccurate, unreliable or not readily available, the fair value is estimated on the basis of the most recently reported information of a similar financial asset or liability.

#### (iii) Amortized cost:

Financial assets and liabilities classified as amortized cost are recognized initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent measurement is at amortized cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses. The Funds classify cash, dividends receivable, interest receivable, subscriptions receivable, amounts due from brokers, bank overdraft, management fees payable, administration fees payable, redemptions payable, amounts due to brokers and distributions payable as amortized cost.

#### (b) Redeemable units:

The Funds classify financial instruments issued as financial liabilities or equity instruments in accordance with the substance of the contractual terms of the instruments. The Funds redeemable securities contain multiple dissimilar contractual obligations and entitle securityholders to the right to redeem their interest in the Funds for cash equal to their proportionate share of the net asset value of the Fund and therefore meet the criteria for classification as financial liabilities under IAS 32 *Financial Instruments: Presentation*. The Fund's obligation for net assets attributable to securityholders is presented at the redemption amount. The redeemable units are designated as financial liabilities at FVTPL because they are managed and their performance evaluated on a fair value basis.

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#### 3. Material accounting policy information (continued):

#### (b) Financial instruments (continued):

The redeemable units provide investors with the right to require redemption, subject to available liquidity, for cash at a unit price based on the Funds' valuation policies at each redemption date. Distributions to holders of redeemable units are recognized in comprehensive income when they are authorized and no longer at the discretion of the Manager.

(c) Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit (excluding distributions):

The increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit (excluding distributions) is calculated by dividing the increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units, prior to the deduction of distributions recognized in comprehensive income, by the weighted average number of units outstanding during the period.

#### (d) Foreign exchange:

Foreign denominated investments and other foreign denominated assets and liabilities are translated into functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing on each valuation date. Purchases and sales of investments, as well as income and expense transactions denominated in foreign currencies, are translated using exchange rates prevailing on the date of the transaction. Foreign currency gains and losses are recognized in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### (e) Income recognition:

Interest income, for distribution purposes is recognized on an accrual basis. Dividend income is recognized on the date that the right to receive payment is established, which for quoted equity securities is usually the ex-dividend date. "Income from investment funds" includes distributed income from underlying investment funds and is recorded at the distribution date. Portfolio transactions are recorded on the trade date. Realized gains and losses arising from the sale of investments and unrealized appreciation/depreciation in investments are determined on the average cost basis of the respective investments. Distributions received from an underlying fund are included in interest income, dividend income, realized gains (losses) on sale of investments, as appropriate, on the ex-dividend or distribution date.

#### (f) Income taxes:

The Funds qualify as mutual fund trusts under the Income Tax Act (Canada). All of the Funds' net income for tax purposes and net capital gains realized in any year are required to be distributed to unitholders such that no income tax is payable by the Funds. As a result, the Funds do not record income taxes.

Net capital losses are available to be carried forward indefinitely and applied against future net realized capital gains. Non-capital losses may be carried forward up to 20 years to reduce future taxable income.

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#### 4. Related party transactions:

#### (a) Management fees:

The Manager is paid a management fee by the Funds, calculated daily and paid monthly, as compensation for its services. No management fees are paid by the Funds with respect to Series A. Series A unitholders pay a negotiated fee directly to the Manager outside of the Fund for investment management services.

#### (b) Operating expenses:

The Manager is also entitled to reimbursement of reasonable operating expenses incurred on behalf of the Funds in connection with charges made for registry and transfer agency services, dividend and distribution crediting services, services required in connection with the provision of information and reports to unitholders and holding unitholders' meetings, independent review committee, interest expense, accounting, audit, recordkeeping and legal fees, and custodian and safekeeping charges. The Funds pay brokerage commissions, transaction costs and applicable taxes.

The Manager has at times absorbed certain expenses incurred on behalf of the Funds, in which case such amounts are shown as a deduction from expenses in the respective Fund's statement of comprehensive income. The Manager is under no legal obligation to continue these arrangements, and may terminate them at any time.

Effective November 1, 2023, the Funds pay a fixed administration fee to the Manager. The fixed administration fee is calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of the NAV of each series of units of the Funds. The Manager in turn pays certain operating expenses of the Funds. These expenses include, but are not limited to: annual fees, normal course meeting fees and reimbursement of normal course expenses for members of the IRC; accounting and fund valuation costs; custody fees; audit and legal fees; and the costs of preparing and distributing annual and interim financial reports, prospectuses, fund facts documents and investor communications.

#### (c) Investments in Underlying Funds:

Certain Funds may invest in units of other Funds managed by the Manager ("underlying funds"). A Fund will not invest in units of an underlying fund if the Fund would be required to pay any management or incentive fees in respect of that investment that a reasonable person would believe duplicates a fee payable by the underlying fund for the same service. To the extent a Fund invests in underlying funds managed by the Manager, the fees and expenses payable by the underlying funds are in addition to the fees and expenses payable by the Fund. However, a Fund may only invest in one or more underlying funds provided that no management fees or incentive fees are payable that would duplicate a fee payable by the underlying fund for the same service. Refer to the disclosure on ownership interest in underlying funds in the Fund Specific Information following each Fund's financial statements for information specific to the respective Fund.

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#### 5. Capital management:

The redeemable units issued by the Funds represent the capital of the Funds. The Funds are not subject to any internally or externally imposed restrictions on its capital. The Funds' objectives in managing the redeemable units are to ensure a stable base to maximize returns to all investors and to manage liquidity risk arising from redemptions.

#### 6. Financial risk management:

The following is a general discussion of the financial risks to which the Funds are exposed. Refer to the discussion on financial risk management (note 4) in the Fund Specific Information following each Fund's financial statements for information specific to the respective Fund.

#### Risk management framework:

The Funds use financial instruments in order to achieve their respective investment objectives. The Funds' investments are presented in each Fund's respective schedule of investment portfolio, which groups securities by asset type, geographic region and/or market segment. The use of financial instruments subjects the Funds to a variety of financial instrument risks. The Funds' risk management practices include setting investment policies to limit exposures to financial instrument risks and employing experienced and professional investment advisors to invest the Funds' capital in securities within the constraints of investment policies. The Manager regularly monitors the Funds' performance and compliance with the investment policies.

The significant financial instrument risks, to which the Funds are exposed, along with the specific risk management practices related to those risks, are discussed below.

#### (a) Credit risk:

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Funds, resulting in a financial loss to the Funds. It arises principally from debt securities held, derivative financial assets, cash, and other receivables due to the Funds. The carrying value of these financial instruments as recorded in the statements of financial position reflects the Fund's maximum exposure to credit risk.

The risk management strategy for the Funds is to invest primarily in debt obligations of high credit quality issuers and to limit the amount of credit exposure with respect to any one corporate issuer.

Credit risk is mitigated by investing primarily in rated instruments. The Funds receive daily rating updates, which are reviewed accordingly. Credit risk is monitored on a daily basis by the Manager in accordance with the Funds' investment policies. If the credit risk is not in accordance with the investment policy or guidelines of the Fund, then the Manager is obliged to rebalance the portfolio as soon as practicable.

The Funds' activities may give rise to settlement risk. Settlement risk is the risk of loss due to the failure of an entity to honor its obligations to deliver cash, securities, or other assets as contractually agreed. For the majority of transactions, the Funds mitigate this risk by conducting settlements through a broker to ensure that a trade is settled only when both parties have fulfilled their contractual settlement obligations.

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#### 6. Financial risk management (continued):

#### (b) Liquidity risk:

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Funds will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with their financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset.

The Funds' policy and the Manager's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, including estimated redemptions of units, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Funds' reputation.

The Funds' prospectus provides for the daily cash redemptions of redeemable units and the Funds are therefore exposed to the liquidity risk of meeting unitholder redemptions at any time.

Liquidity risk is managed by investing the majority of a Funds' assets in investments that are traded in an active market and can be readily disposed. In addition, the Funds retain sufficient cash positions to maintain liquidity. The Funds are also subject to the requirements of National Instrument ("NI") 81-102, where each respective Fund shall not purchase an illiquid asset if, immediately after the purchase, more than 10 percent of the net assets of that particular Fund, taken at market value at the time of purchase, would consist of illiquid assets.

#### (c) Market risk:

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices will affect the Funds' income or the fair value of their holdings of financial instruments.

The Funds' market risk is managed on a daily basis by the Manager in accordance with the policies and procedures in place.

#### (i) Interest rate risk:

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of interest-bearing financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates. In general, as interest rates rise, the fair value of interest bearing financial instruments will fall. Financial instruments with a longer term to maturity will generally have a higher interest rate risk.

Interest rate risk management practices include setting target durations based on the appropriate benchmark indices and monitoring the Funds' durations relative to the benchmarks. If interest rates are anticipated to rise, the Funds' durations can be shortened to limit potential losses. Conversely, if interest rates are anticipated to fall, the durations can be lengthened to increase potential gains.

#### (ii) Currency risk:

Currency risk is the risk that the value of investments denominated in currencies, other than the functional currency of the Funds, will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. Equities in foreign markets are exposed to currency risk as the prices denominated in foreign currencies are converted to the Funds' functional currency in determining fair value.

Currency risk may be moderated by the Manager through the use of foreign currency contacts to hedge foreign currency exposures.

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#### 6. Financial risk management (continued):

#### (iii) Other price risk:

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value of financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment or its issuer, or factors affecting all instruments traded in the market.

Other price risk is moderated by the Manager through a careful selection of securities within specified limits and the Funds' price risk is managed through diversification of the respective Fund. The Manager monitors the Funds' overall market positions on a daily basis and positions are maintained within established ranges.

#### 7. Fair value of financial instruments:

#### (a) Valuation models:

The Funds measure fair values using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements.

- Level 1: inputs that are quoted market prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical instruments.
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices).
- Level 3: inputs that are unobservable.

The fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities that are traded in active markets are based on quoted market prices or dealer price quotations. Observable prices and model inputs are usually available in the market for listed debt and equity securities, and exchange-traded derivatives, such as futures. The availability of observable market prices and model inputs reduces the need for management judgment and estimation and reduces the uncertainty associated with the determination of fair values. Where observable market prices and model inputs are not available, the Funds determine fair values using other valuation techniques. The objective of valuation techniques is to arrive at a fair value measurement that reflects the price that would be received to sell the asset or paid to transfer the liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Refer to the fair value of financial instruments (note 5) in the Fund Specific Information following each Fund's respective financial statements for further discussion of the respective Fund's fair value measurements.

#### (b) Financial instruments not measured at fair value:

The carrying value of cash, dividends receivable, interest receivable, subscriptions receivable, amounts due from brokers, bank overdraft, management fees payable, administration fees payable, redemptions payable, amounts due to brokers and distributions payable, approximates their fair value given their short-term nature. These financial instruments are classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy because while prices are available, there is no active market for these instruments.

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#### 8. Audit Fees:

The fees paid or payable by Leith Wheeler Investment Counsel Ltd. to KPMG LLP and its network firms for the audits of the Canadian Reporting Issuer funds within the Leith Wheeler Family of funds are as follows:

Fee Type	December 31, 2024	,
Audit Fees	\$ 120,780	\$ 136,425
Fees for other services	\$ 26,590	\$ 10,539