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FORM N-CSR

CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER REPORT OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES

Investment Company Act file number 811-22715

Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

227 West Monroe Street, Chicago, IL 60606

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Amy J. Lee

227 West Monroe Street, Chicago, IL 60606

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (312) 827-0100

Date of fiscal year end: May 31

Date of reporting period: June 1, 2016 - November 30, 2016

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Item 1. Reports to Stockholders.

The registrant's semi-annual report transmitted to shareholders pursuant to Rule 30e-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act"), is as follows:

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Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC and Guggenheim Funds Investment Advisors, LLC are constantly updating and expanding shareholder information services on the Fund's website in an ongoing effort to provide you with the most current information about how your Fund's assets are managed and the results of our efforts. It is just one more small way we are working to keep you better informed about your investment in the Fund.

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(Unaudited) November 30, 2016

DEAR SHAREHOLDER

We thank you for your investment in the Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund (the “Fund”). This report covers the Fund’s performance for the six-month period ended November 30, 2016.

The Fund’s investment objective is to seek total return through a combination of current income and capital appreciation.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes, in fixed income securities, debt securities, loans and investments with economic characteristics similar to fixed-income securities, debt securities and loans (collectively, “credit securities”). The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing in a portfolio of credit securities selected from a variety of sectors and credit qualities. The Fund may invest in credit securities of any duration or maturity. Credit securities in which the Fund may invest may pay fixed or variable rates of interest. The Fund may invest without limitation in securities of non-U.S. issuers, including issuers in emerging markets.

All Fund returns cited—whether based on net asset value (“NAV”) or market price—assume the reinvestment of all distributions. For the six-month period ended November 30, 2016, the Fund provided a total return based on market price of 11.57% and a total return based on NAV of 12.33%. NAV return includes the deduction of management fees, operating expenses, and all other Fund expenses.

As of November 30, 2016, the Fund’s market price of \$21.06 represented a discount of 3.97% to its NAV of \$21.93. The market value of the Fund’s shares fluctuates from time to time and may be higher or lower than the Fund’s NAV. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

From June 2016 through November 2016, the Fund paid a monthly distribution of \$0.1813. The November distribution represents an annualized distribution rate of 10.33% based on the Fund’s closing market price of \$21.06 on November 30, 2016. The Fund’s distribution rate is not constant, and the amount of distributions, when declared by the Fund’s Board of Trustees, is subject to change based on the performance of the Fund. Please see Note 2(e) on page 38 for more information on distributions for the period.

Guggenheim Funds Investment Advisors, LLC (the “Adviser”) serves as the investment adviser to the Fund.

Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC (“GPIM” or the “Sub-Adviser”) serves as the Fund’s investment sub-adviser and is responsible for the management of the Fund’s portfolio of investments. Each of the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser is an affiliate of Guggenheim Partners, LLC (“Guggenheim”), a global diversified financial services firm. We encourage shareholders to consider the opportunity to reinvest their distributions from the Fund through the Dividend Reinvestment Plan (“DRIP”), which is described in detail on page 55 of this report. When shares trade at a discount to NAV, the DRIP takes advantage of the discount by reinvesting the monthly distribution in common shares of the Fund purchased in the market at a price less than NAV. Conversely, when the market price of the Fund’s common shares is at a premium above

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NAV, the DRIP reinvests participants' distributions in newly-issued common shares at the greater of NAV per share or 95% of the market price per share. The DRIP provides a cost-effective means to accumulate additional shares and enjoy the benefits of compounding returns over time. Since the Fund endeavors to maintain a stable monthly distribution, the DRIP effectively provides an income averaging technique, which causes shareholders to accumulate a larger number of Fund shares when the market price is depressed than when the price is higher.

To learn more about the Fund's performance and investment strategy, we encourage you to read the Questions & Answers section of this report, which begins on page 5. You'll find information on GPIM's investment philosophy, views on the economy and market environment, and detailed information about the factors that impacted the Fund's performance.

We appreciate your investment and look forward to serving your investment needs in the future. For the most up-to-date information on your investment, please visit the Fund's website at [guggenheiminvestments.com/ggm](http://guggenheiminvestments.com/ggm).

Sincerely,

Donald C. Cacciapaglia

President and Chief Executive Officer

Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund

December 31, 2016

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Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund (the “Fund”) is managed by a team of seasoned professionals at Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC (“GPIM”). This team includes B. Scott Miner, Chairman of Guggenheim Investments and Global Chief Investment Officer; Anne B. Walsh, CFA, JD, Senior Managing Director and Assistant Chief Investment Officer; Jeffrey B. Abrams, Senior Managing Director and Portfolio Manager; Kevin H. Gundersen, Senior Managing Director and Portfolio Manager; James W. Michal, Senior Managing Director and Portfolio Manager; Thomas J. Hauser, Managing Director and Portfolio Manager; and Richard de Wet, Vice President and Portfolio Manager. In the following interview, the investment team discusses the market environment and the Fund’s performance for the six months ended November 30, 2016.

What is the Fund’s investment objective and how is it pursued?

The Fund’s investment objective is to seek total return through a combination of current income and capital appreciation.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes, in fixed income securities, debt securities, loans and investments with economic characteristics similar to fixed-income securities (collectively, “credit securities”). Credit securities in which the Fund may invest consist of corporate bonds, loans and loan participations, asset-backed securities (all or a portion of which may consist of collateralized loan obligations), mortgage-backed securities (both residential mortgage-backed securities and commercial mortgage-backed securities), U.S. Government and agency securities, mezzanine and preferred securities, convertible securities, commercial paper, municipal securities and sovereign government and supranational debt securities. The Fund will seek to achieve its investment objective by investing in a portfolio of credit securities selected from a variety of sectors and credit qualities. The Fund may invest in credit securities that are rated below investment grade, or, if unrated, determined to be of comparable quality (also known as “high yield securities” or “junk bonds”). The Fund may invest in credit securities of any duration or maturity. Credit securities in which the Fund may invest may pay fixed or variable rates of interest. The Fund may invest without limitation in securities of non-U.S. issuers, including issuers in emerging markets.

The Fund may, but is not required to, use various derivatives transactions for hedging and risk management purposes, to facilitate portfolio management and to earn income or enhance total return. The Fund may use such transactions as a means to synthetically implement the Fund’s investment strategies. In addition, as an alternative to holding investments directly, the Fund may also obtain investment exposure by investing in other investment companies. To the extent that the Fund invests in synthetic investments with economic characteristics similar to credit securities, the value of such investments will be counted as credit securities for purposes of the Fund’s policy of investing at least 80% of its net assets, plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes, in credit securities (the “80% Policy”).

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The Fund may invest in open-end funds, closed-end funds and exchange traded funds. For purposes of the Fund's 80% Policy, the Fund will include its investments in other investment companies that have a policy of investing at least 80% of their net assets, plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes, in one or more types of credit securities.

The Fund uses financial leverage (borrowing and reverse repos) to finance the purchase of additional securities. Although financial leverage may create an opportunity for increased return for shareholders, it also results in additional risks and can magnify the effect of any losses. There is no assurance that the strategy will be successful. If income and gains on securities purchased with the financial leverage proceeds are greater than the cost of the financial leverage, common shareholders' return will be greater than if financial leverage had not been used. Conversely, if the income or gains from the securities purchased with the proceeds of financial leverage are less than the cost of financial leverage, common shareholders' return will be less than if financial leverage had not been used.

What were the significant events affecting the economy and market environment over the past six months?

Behind the performance numbers for the past six months are a multitude of events that unfolded throughout 2016, including an increase in U.S. corporate default volume, several quarters of negative earnings growth, the British vote to exit the European Union, and stubbornly low inflation across the globe. That was on top of one of the worst selloffs for U.S. corporate bonds since the financial crisis in the first six weeks of the year, or that the S&P 500 was down almost 11%.

The surprise end to the fractious U.S. election season leaves many questions unanswered about the new administration, but as it relates to the economy we are particularly alert to the possible market impact of resurgent fiscal policy. We will learn more as we move through the transition of power, but in the meantime several market positives should support asset performance in 2017. The domestic economy just turned in the highest growth rate in two years, early indications point to a strong Christmas selling season, corporate earnings have rebounded, and the energy sector is stabilizing with the oil market recovery.

U.S. real gross domestic product (GDP) grew by 3.2% in the third quarter, according to the second reading, up from 1.4% in the second quarter. We expect output to rise by around 2% on average in coming quarters, a bit faster than the trend rate over the past year, as drags from past dollar strength and an inventory adjustment cycle fade. The fiscal policy outlook has become more uncertain with the election, though early indications that fiscal easing will be prioritized in the new administration suggest that the risks to real GDP growth in 2017 and 2018 are now skewed to the upside.

The labor market continues to strengthen and the unemployment rate declined by 0.4 percentage point to 4.6%, but labor force participation has not grown as much as hoped, and started to trend downwards in November. In the year through November, the labor force participation rate increased by just 0.1 percentage point. Job openings data, another measure of labor market health, has been looking better. In November of 2015 it was about 5.2 million job openings for the month. By November 2016, it had

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risen to a little more than 5.5 million job openings for the month. A higher level of job openings tends to indicate a more robust labor market.

Guggenheim expects The U.S. Federal Reserve (“The Fed”) policymakers to follow their recent rate increases with three, and possibly four, more hikes in 2017. While this would be faster than markets are now pricing in, it would still leave rates below levels prescribed by standard policy rules. Fed Chair Janet Yellen commented recently about temporarily running a “high-pressure economy” in the hope that enabling robust business activity and a tight labor market may result in an increase in the productive capacity of the economy. If this scenario materializes, it could entail unemployment dropping further, and inflation overshooting the Fed’s 2% goal. This perspective, as well as the president-elect’s proposed changes to fiscal policy and the likely impact to future real rates, accounts for much of the backup in long-term interest rates, although ongoing asset purchase programs by the European Central Bank (ECB) and Bank of Japan (BoJ) will likely continue to support bond prices. The monetary policy divergence will continue to support the U.S. dollar.

How did the Fund perform for the six months ended November 30, 2016?

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As of November 30, 2016, the Fund’s market price of \$21.06 represented a discount of 3.97% to its NAV of \$21.93.

As of May 31, 2016, the Fund’s market price of \$19.86 represented a discount of 3.26% to its NAV of \$20.53. The market value of the Fund’s shares fluctuates from time to time and may be higher or lower than the Fund’s NAV. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

What were the distributions over the period?

From June 2016 through November 2016, the Fund paid a monthly distribution of \$0.1813. The November distribution represents an annualized distribution rate of 10.33% based on the Fund’s closing market price of \$21.06 on November 30, 2016. The Fund’s distribution rate is not constant, and the amount of distributions, when declared by the Fund’s Board of Trustees, is subject to change based on the performance of the Fund. Please see Note 2(e) on page 38 for more information on distributions for the period.

Why did the Fund accrue excise tax during the period?

As a registered investment company, the Fund is subject to a 4% excise tax that is imposed if the Fund does not distribute by the end of any calendar year at least the sum of (i) 98% of its ordinary income (not taking into account any capital gain or loss) for the calendar year and (ii) 98.2% of its capital gain in excess of its capital loss (adjusted for certain ordinary losses) for a one-year period generally ending on October 31 of the calendar year (unless an election is made to use the fund’s fiscal year). The Fund generally intends to distribute income and capital gains in the manner necessary to minimize (but not necessarily eliminate) the imposition of such excise tax. While the Fund’s income and capital gains can



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vary significantly from year to year, the Fund seeks to maintain more stable monthly distributions over time. The Fund may retain income or capital gains and pay excise tax when it is determined that doing so is in the best interest of shareholders. Management, in consultation with the Board of Trustees, evaluates the costs of the excise tax relative to the benefits of retaining income and capital gains, including that such undistributed amounts (net of the excise tax paid) remain available for investment by the Fund and are available to supplement future distributions, which may facilitate the payment of more stable monthly distributions year over year.

What influenced the Fund's performance?

Beginning in the late first quarter of 2016, investors once again sought out yield after the Fed appeared hesitant to raise interest rates, and U.S. Treasury rates declined in sympathy with an international sovereign market that had several trillion dollars' worth of debt outstanding at interest rates below zero. By summer, the situation began to reverse, and rates began to rise in anticipation of fiscal stimulus in a new presidential administration, higher inflation, and a December increase in the Fed funds rate.

The Fund is composed primarily of high yield corporate bonds and senior floating rate interests, or bank loans. The mix varies according to the relative attractiveness of the two asset classes and availability of attractively priced assets. As proxies for the two markets, the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield Index returned 6.43% for the six-month period, and the Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index returned 4.26%. Lower-quality bonds and loans strongly outperformed higher-quality over the period.

An important driver of positive performance was the rebound in commodity markets. The high yield market rallied vigorously since mid-February, marked by the bottoming of oil prices and the beginning of a slew of downgrades by the credit ratings agencies, primarily of commodity-related issuers. The market was pricing in a high level of defaults at the time; but with the easing of concern over global growth, especially in China, and the beginning of a recovery in oil and metals pricing, the market rapidly snapped back. The Fund took advantage of market weakness to find attractive entry points in high yield energy bonds as well as other assets that had sold off in tandem with commodities for no fundamental reason.

Standard & Poor's 12-month trailing high-yield bond default rate, at about 5% at the end of the period, was the highest since July 2010. Energy and metals companies continue to represent the largest share of defaults, but there were some in financials, retail, and media. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' (OPEC) production agreement boosted oil prices in beginning in September, and caused energy spreads to tighten. Further easing of borrowing conditions in the energy sector should avert some defaults over the next six to 12 months, potentially lowering the headline default rate back down to the below-average trend. That expectation has already begun to play out since the summer months and should continue.

Excluding commodity names, the trailing 12-month default rate is well below the historical average of 4.3%. The twelve-month trailing issuer-weighted default rate for loans moved little during the period, ending at 1.9%, well below the historical average.

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Almost every aspect of the loan market in the last months of the period has reversed trends we observed during the first quarter of the year, including primary loan market originations, declining defaults and tighter discount margins. Prices continue to be buoyed by strong CLO demand and loan mutual fund inflows. As secondary loan prices rise above par and yields fall, borrowers take the opportunity to refinance outstanding loans and reduce their all-in borrowing cost. Therefore, while the rebound in loan prices has been positive for loan investors that rode out the volatility, these conditions must be monitored against limited call protection to avoid paying above a call price. How is the Fund positioned for the coming months?

The Fund is positioned well across its three primary asset class exposures, with the heaviest weighting to high yield bonds, then to bank loans, and has incrementally added to asset-backed securities (ABS) that have shown strong yield and potential for price appreciation.

The Fund continues to avoid highly levered industries and companies with heavy capital expenditure needs that can impair cash flow generation. Companies with strong cash flows, recurring revenue streams, and high-quality margins should remain the focus in the later stages of the credit cycle. The Fund is overweight in technology issuers and has favored B-rated bonds, which offer attractive risk-adjusted returns relative to other rating tranches, since new issuance and secondary trading has been heavily concentrated in BB-rated securities. The Fund continues to find value in energy bonds. A stabilizing oil market in the second half of 2016 has paved the road for energy bonds to perform well over the course of the next 12 months.

Our medium-term credit outlook remains constructive, with steady though not stellar performance of U.S. corporates. We believe the broader market outperformance since the February rally began may be somewhat overdone, particularly in higher-rated BB issues whose spreads to lower-rated, higher-yielding assets have made the latter more attractive in the second half of the year. We believe credit selection will become increasingly important through the end of the year and expect the Fund to perform well in this type of environment.

Fiscal stimulus packages proposed by the incoming political administration should encourage further economic growth. That, aided by low levels of unemployment, should help improve corporate growth, particularly in sectors tied to the strength of the consumer. Sectors with best relative value appear to be services, media and technology sectors, along with select consumer cyclical names.

With a large component of the Fund exposed to floating rate assets in the form of bank loans and ABS, the prospect of higher interest rates makes that basket of assets more attractive as we move through the fourth quarter.

What is the Fund's duration?

The Fund has consistently been positioned conservatively in terms of duration, with higher exposure to short-dated bonds and overweight to floating rate securities (bank loans), we are positioned for volatility with diversified sources of return from different assets classes in various parts of the capital structure.

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The effective duration for the Fund as of November 30, 2016, was below three years. Our view is that we are unlikely to see rates move in a sudden and aggressive upward trajectory, as the Fed is providing ample guidance about the future path of interest rates. The Fund may invest in credit securities of any duration or maturity and is not required to maintain any particular maturity or duration for its portfolio as a whole. It typically maintains a leverage-adjusted average portfolio duration of one to four years. However, average portfolio duration is adjusted based on market conditions.

Discuss the impact of leverage for the period.

The Fund utilizes leverage as part of its investment strategy, to finance the purchase of additional securities that provide increased income and potentially greater appreciation potential to common shareholders than could be achieved from a portfolio that is not leveraged.

With the low cost of borrowing and stability in the fundamentals of American companies, the amount of leverage used by the Fund is highly accretive to income generation.

The Fund currently employs leverage through reverse repurchase agreements, under which the Fund temporarily transfers possession of portfolio securities and receives cash that can be used for additional investments.

As of November 30, 2016, the amount of leverage was approximately 32% of total managed assets. While leverage increases the income of the Fund in yield terms, it also amplifies the effects of changing market prices in the portfolio and can cause the Fund's NAV to change to a greater degree than the market as a whole. This can create volatility in Fund pricing but should not affect the Fund's ability to pay dividends under normal circumstances.

Index Definitions

Indices are unmanaged and reflect no expenses. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

The Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index is a broad-based flagship benchmark that measures the investment grade, U.S. dollar-denominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market, including U.S. Treasuries, government-related and corporate securities, mortgage-backed securities or "MBS" (agency fixed-rate and hybrid adjustable-rate mortgage, or "ARM", pass-throughs), asset-backed securities ("ABS"), and commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBS") (agency and non-agency).

The Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield Index measures the U.S. dollar-denominated, high yield, fixed-rate corporate bond market. Securities are classified as high yield if the middle rating of Moody's, Fitch, and S&P is Ba1/BB +/BB + or below.

The Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index is an index designed to mirror the investable universe of the \$US-denominated leveraged loan market.

The Standard & Poor's 500 Index is a capitalization-weighted index of 500 stocks. The index is designed to measure performance of the broad domestic economy through changes in the aggregate market value of 500 stocks representing all major industries.

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#### Risks and Other Considerations

Investing involves risk, including the possible loss of principal and fluctuation of value.

The views expressed in this report reflect those of the portfolio managers only through the report period as stated on the cover. These views are expressed for informational purposes only and are subject to change at any time, based on market and other conditions, and may not come to pass. These views may differ from views of other investment professionals at Guggenheim and should not be construed as research, investment advice or a recommendation of any kind regarding the fund or any issuer or security, do not constitute a solicitation to buy or sell any security and should not be considered specific legal, investment or tax advice. The information provided does not take into account the specific objectives, financial situation or particular needs of any specific investor.

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There can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objectives or that any investment strategies or techniques discussed herein will be effective. The value of the Fund will fluctuate with the value of the underlying securities. Historically, closed-end funds often trade at a discount to their net asset value.

Performance data quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results and current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown.

Please see [guggenheiminvestments.com/gof](http://guggenheiminvestments.com/gof) for a detailed discussion of the Fund's risks and considerations.

## FUND SUMMARY (Unaudited) November 30, 2016

## Fund Statistics

|                    |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Share Price        | \$21.06   |
| Net Asset Value    | \$21.93   |
| Discount to NAV    | -3.97%    |
| Net Assets (\$000) | \$146,823 |

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS  
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2016

|                                   | Six<br>Month<br>(non-annualized) | One<br>Year | Three<br>Year | Since<br>Inception<br>(06/26/13) |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund |                                  |             |               |                                  |
| NAV                               | 12.33%                           | 17.95%      | 6.31%         | 6.72%                            |
| Market                            | 11.57%                           | 23.47%      | 8.13%         | 4.27%                            |

Performance data quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results and current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown. All NAV returns include the deduction of management fees, operating expenses and all other Fund expenses. The deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares is not reflected in the total returns. For the most recent month-end performance figures, please visit [guggenheiminvestments.com/ggm](http://guggenheiminvestments.com/ggm). The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate with changes in market conditions and other factors so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

| Portfolio Breakdown             | % of Net<br>Assets |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Corporate Bonds                 | 76.3 %             |
| Senior Floating Rate Interests  | 44.9 %             |
| Asset Backed Securities         | 14.7 %             |
| Preferred Stocks                | 3.7 %              |
| Common Stocks                   | 1.7 %              |
| Exchange-Traded Funds           | 1.6 %              |
| Mortgage Backed Securities      | 0.8 %              |
| Short Term Investments          | 0.2 %              |
| Warrants                        | 0.0 %*             |
| Total Investments               | 143.9%             |
| Other Assets & Liabilities, net | -43.9 %            |
| Net Assets                      | 100.0%             |

\* Less than 0.1%

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## Ten Largest Holdings

(% of Total Net Assets)

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Terraform Global Operating LLC, 9.75%, 08/15/22   | 2.4%  |
| Reddy Ice Holdings, Inc., 10.75%, 10/01/19        | 2.3%  |
| HRG Group, Inc., 7.88%, 07/15/19                  | 2.1%  |
| CTI Foods Holding Co. LLC, 8.25%, 06/28/21        | 2.1%  |
| Epicor Software, 9.25%, 06/21/23                  | 2.0%  |
| Infor US, Inc., 6.50%, 05/15/22                   | 1.8%  |
| Panda Temple II Power, 7.25%, 04/03/19            | 1.8%  |
| Midas Intermediate Holdco II LLC, 7.88%, 10/01/22 | 1.8%  |
| TIBCO Software, Inc., 6.50%, 12/04/20             | 1.8%  |
| LMI Aerospace, Inc., 7.38%, 07/15/19              | 1.8%  |
| Top Ten Total                                     | 19.9% |

“Ten Largest Holdings” excludes any temporary cash or derivative investments.

Portfolio breakdown and holdings are subject to change daily. For more information, please visit [guggenheiminvestments.com/ggm](http://guggenheiminvestments.com/ggm). The above summaries are provided for informational purposes only and should not be viewed as recommendations. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

## Portfolio Composition by Quality Rating\*

| Rating                   | % of Total<br>Investments |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Fixed Income Instruments |                           |
| A                        | 1.5%                      |
| BBB                      | 5.2%                      |
| BB                       | 22.4%                     |
| B                        | 40.3%                     |
| CCC                      | 16.6%                     |
| CC                       | 0.1%                      |
| NR**                     | 10.3%                     |
| Other Instruments        |                           |
| Short Term Investments   | 3.3%                      |
| Common Stocks            | 0.3%                      |
| Total Investments        | 100.0%                    |

\* Source: BlackRock Solutions. Credit quality ratings are measured on a scale that generally ranges from AAA (highest) to D (lowest). All securities except for “NR”, or not rated, have been rated by Moody’s, Standard & Poor’s (“S&P”), or Fitch, which are all a Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization (“NRSRO”). For purposes of this presentation, when ratings are available from more than one agency, the highest rating is used. Guggenheim Investments has converted Moody’s and Fitch ratings to the equivalent S&P rating. Security ratings are determined at the time of purchase and may change thereafter.

\*\* NR securities do not necessarily indicate low credit quality.

## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) November 30, 2016

|   | Shares    | Value     |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| <b>COMMON STOCKS<sup>†</sup>– 1.7%</b>                    |           |           |
| Energy – 0.8%   |           |           |
| Titan Energy LLC <sup>*,1</sup>                           | 27,133    | \$624,060 |
| SandRidge Energy, Inc. <sup>*,1</sup>                     | 26,112    | 597,965   |
| Total Energy  |           | 1,222,025 |
| Technology – 0.6%   |           |           |
| Aspect Software Parent, Inc. <sup>*,†††,2</sup>           | 51,036    | 772,687   |
| Qlik Technologies, Inc. A <sup>*,†††,2</sup>              | 56        | 55,840    |
| Qlik Technologies, Inc. B <sup>*,†††,2</sup>              | 13,812    | 564       |
| Qlik Technologies, Inc. <sup>*,†††,2</sup>                | 3,600     | –         |
| Total Technology  |           | 829,091   |
| Industrial – 0.3%   |           |           |
| Sparta Holding Corp., Class A <sup>*,†††,2</sup>          | 228       | 277,406   |
| Sparta Holding Corp., Class B <sup>*,†††,1,2</sup>        | 94,522    | 105,298   |
| Ursa Insulation B.V. <sup>*,†††,2</sup>                   | 5,282     | –         |
| Total Industrial  |           | 382,704   |
| Consumer, Non-cyclical – 0.0%**                           |           |           |
| Targus Group International Equity, Inc <sup>*,†††,2</sup> | 33,098    | 48,323    |
| Basic Materials – 0.0%**                                  |           |           |
| Mirabela Nickel Ltd. <sup>*,†††,2</sup>                   | 4,839,202 | 357       |
| Total Common Stocks<br>(Cost \$5,500,442)                 |           | 2,482,500 |
| <b>PREFERRED STOCKS<sup>†</sup>– 3.7%</b>                 |           |           |
| Financial – 2.4%  |           |           |
| Bank of America Corp., Series X 6.25% <sup>*,3,4</sup>    | 1,150,000 | 1,144,262 |
| Citigroup, Inc., Series M 6.30% <sup>*,3,4</sup>          | 1,100,000 | 1,090,375 |
| PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. 5.00% <sup>*,3,4</sup> | 550,000   | 533,500   |
| M&T Bank Corp. 5.13% <sup>*,3,4</sup>                     | 450,000   | 433,125   |
| People's United Financial, Inc. 5.63% <sup>*,3,4</sup>    | 12,000    | 300,000   |
| Total Financial   |           | 3,501,262 |
| Industrial – 1.3%   |           |           |
| Seaspan Corp. 6.38% <sup>1</sup>                          | 76,500    | 1,883,430 |
| Total Preferred Stocks<br>(Cost \$5,444,717)              |           | 5,384,692 |
| <b>EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS<sup>†</sup>– 1.6%</b>            |           |           |
| SPDR Bloomberg Barclays High Yield Bond ETF               | 65,000    | 2,347,800 |
| Total Exchange-Traded Funds                               |           |           |



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(Cost \$2,359,169)

2,347,800

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|  | Shares          | Value       |
|--|-----------------|-------------|
| <b>SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS<sup>†</sup>– 0.2%</b>                                      |                 |             |
| Dreyfus Treasury Prime Cash Management Institutional Shares, 0.24% <sup>5</sup>      | 318,233         | \$318,233   |
| Total Short Term Investments<br>(Cost \$318,233)                                     |                 | 318,233     |
| <b>WARRANTS<sup>‡</sup> 0.0%**</b>   |                 |             |
| Comstock Resources, Inc., 09/06/18   | 6,119           | 57,825      |
| Total Warrants<br>(Cost \$49,782)  |                 | 57,825      |
|  | Face<br>Amount~ | Value       |
| <b>CORPORATE BONDS<sup>‡</sup> 76.3%</b>   |                 |             |
| Communications – 14.5%   |                 |             |
| DISH DBS Corp.   |                 |             |
| 5.88% due 11/15/24   | 2,300,000       | \$2,331,624 |
| 7.75% due 07/01/26   | 850,000         | 938,188     |
| SFR Group S.A.   |                 |             |
| 7.38% due 05/01/26 <sup>1,6</sup>  | 2,600,000       | 2,593,499   |
| Sprint Communications, Inc.  |                 |             |
| 9.00% due 11/15/18 <sup>6</sup>  | 2,200,000       | 2,417,250   |
| 6.00% due 11/15/22   | 150,000         | 144,683     |
| MDC Partners, Inc.   |                 |             |
| 6.50% due 05/01/24 <sup>6</sup>  | 2,900,000       | 2,490,375   |
| Ziggo Secured Finance BV   |                 |             |
|  | 1,000,000       |             |
| 4.25% due 01/15/27   | EUR             | 1,047,570   |
| 5.50% due 01/15/27 <sup>6</sup>  | 700,000         | 672,000     |
| CSC Holdings LLC   |                 |             |
| 5.25% due 06/01/24   | 1,350,000       | 1,265,490   |
| 6.75% due 11/15/21   | 400,000         | 420,500     |
| Interoute Finco plc  |                 |             |
|  | 1,300,000       |             |
| 4.63% due 10/12/22 <sup>1</sup>  | EUR             | 1,479,239   |
| Sprint Spectrum Company LLC / Sprint Spectrum Co II LLC / Sprint Spectrum Co III LLC |                 |             |
| 3.36% due 09/20/21 <sup>6</sup>  | 1,100,000       | 1,102,750   |
| EIG Investors Corp.  |                 |             |
| 10.88% due 02/01/24 <sup>7</sup>   | 1,100,000       | 1,023,000   |
| McGraw-Hill Global Education Holdings LLC / McGraw-Hill Global Education Finance     |                 |             |
| 7.88% due 05/15/24 <sup>6</sup>  | 950,000         | 935,750     |
| Sprint Corp.   |                 |             |
| 7.25% due 09/15/21 <sup>1</sup>  | 400,000         | 410,000     |
| 7.88% due 09/15/23 <sup>1</sup>  | 300,000         | 309,750     |

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| 7.63% due 02/15/25<br>Comcast Corp.        | 100,000 | 101,625 |
| 3.20% due 07/15/36<br>TIBCO Software, Inc. | 700,000 | 628,184 |
| 11.38% due 12/01/21 <sup>6</sup>           | 610,000 | 584,075 |

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|  | Face<br>Amount~ | Value      |
|--|-----------------|------------|
| CORPORATE BONDS <sup>±</sup> 76.3% (continued)   |                 |            |
| Communications – 14.5% (continued)   |                 |            |
| Midcontinent Communications / Midcontinent Finance Corp.<br>6.88% due 08/15/23 <sup>6</sup>                  | 400,000         | \$420,500  |
| Total Communications   |                 | 21,316,052 |
| Energy – 13.3%   |                 |            |
| CONSOL Energy, Inc.<br>8.00% due 04/01/23  | 2,500,000       | 2,550,000  |
| Comstock Resources, Inc.<br>10.00% due 03/15/20 <sup>1,8</sup>   | 2,225,000       | 2,191,624  |
| BreitBurn Energy Partners Limited Partnership / BreitBurn Finance Corp.<br>7.88% due 04/15/22 <sup>1,9</sup> | 2,200,000       | 1,485,000  |
| Crestwood Midstream Partners Limited Partnership / Crestwood Midstream Finance Corp.<br>6.00% due 12/15/20   | 1,200,000       | 1,221,000  |
| 6.13% due 03/01/22 <sup>1</sup>  | 150,000         | 151,500    |
| 6.25% due 04/01/23 <sup>1</sup>  | 50,000          | 50,750     |
| Keane Group Holdings LLC<br>12.00% due 08/08/19 <sup>†††,2</sup>   | 1,520,000       | 1,394,600  |
| Unit Corp.<br>6.63% due 05/15/21 <sup>1</sup>  | 1,500,000       | 1,365,000  |
| Whiting Petroleum Corp.<br>5.00% due 03/15/19  | 675,000         | 666,563    |
| 5.75% due 03/15/21   | 550,000         | 541,750    |
| Halcon Resources Corp.<br>8.63% due 02/01/20 <sup>6</sup>  | 1,175,000       | 1,204,962  |
| FTS International, Inc.<br>8.35% due 06/15/20 <sup>1,3,6</sup>   | 1,100,000       | 1,045,000  |
| TerraForm Power Operating LLC<br>6.38% due 02/01/23 <sup>6,10</sup>  | 750,000         | 767,100    |
| 6.63% due 06/15/25 <sup>6,10</sup>   | 250,000         | 259,375    |
| EP Energy LLC / Everest Acquisition Finance, Inc.<br>9.38% due 05/01/20                                      | 650,000         | 544,570    |
| 6.38% due 06/15/23 <sup>1</sup>  | 400,000         | 280,000    |
| Approach Resources, Inc.<br>7.00% due 06/15/21   | 880,000         | 770,000    |
| SandRidge Energy, Inc.<br>0.00% due 10/04/20 <sup>1,11</sup>   | 615,587         | 749,092    |
| QEP Resources, Inc.<br>6.88% due 03/01/21  | 700,000         | 721,000    |
| Gibson Energy, Inc.<br>6.75% due 07/15/21 <sup>6</sup>   | 650,000         | 674,375    |
| Legacy Reserves Limited Partnership / Legacy Reserves Finance Corp.  |                 |            |

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| 6.63% due 12/01/21   | 750,000 | 431,250 |
| Summit Midstream Holdings LLC / Summit Midstream Finance Corp. |         |         |
| 7.50% due 07/01/21   | 300,000 | 314,250 |
| Schahin II Finance Company SPV Ltd.                            |         |         |
| 5.88% due 09/25/22 <sup>1,7,9</sup>                            | 825,233 | 99,028  |

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|  | Face<br>Amount~ | Value      |
|--|-----------------|------------|
| CORPORATE BONDS <sup>±±</sup> 76.3% (continued)                        |                 |            |
| Energy – 13.3% (continued)   |                 |            |
| SandRidge Energy, Inc. Escrow Notes<br>8.75% due 06/01/20 <sup>9</sup> | 2,725,000       | \$273      |
| Total Energy   |                 | 19,478,062 |
| Financial – 11.7%  |                 |            |
| Jefferies Finance LLC / JFIN Company-Issuer Corp.                      |                 |            |
| 7.38% due 04/01/20 <sup>6</sup>  | 2,100,000       | 2,052,750  |
| 7.50% due 04/15/21 <sup>6</sup>  | 1,100,000       | 1,069,750  |
| NFP Corp.  |                 |            |
| 9.00% due 07/15/21 <sup>6</sup>  | 2,000,000       | 2,070,000  |
| Lincoln Finance Ltd.   |                 |            |
|  | 1,750,000       |            |
| 7.38% due 04/15/21   | EUR             | 1,993,694  |
| Majid AL Futtaim Holding   |                 |            |
| 7.13% <sup>4</sup>   | 1,500,000       | 1,564,170  |
| Garfunkelux Holding Co. 3 S.A.   |                 |            |
|  | 1,200,000       |            |
| 8.50% due 11/01/22   | GBP             | 1,550,268  |
| FBM Finance, Inc.  |                 |            |
| 8.25% due 08/15/21 <sup>6</sup>  | 1,400,000       | 1,449,000  |
| GEO Group, Inc.  |                 |            |
| 6.00% due 04/15/26 <sup>1</sup>  | 775,000         | 744,000    |
| 5.88% due 10/15/24   | 350,000         | 337,750    |
| 5.88% due 01/15/22   | 250,000         | 249,375    |
| NewStar Financial, Inc.  |                 |            |
| 7.25% due 05/01/20   | 1,125,000       | 1,116,563  |
| Capital One Financial Corp.  |                 |            |
| 3.75% due 07/28/26   | 750,000         | 722,531    |
| Prosight Global Inc.   |                 |            |
| 7.50% due 11/26/20 <sup>†††.1</sup>                                    | 650,000         | 660,181    |
| HUB International Ltd.   |                 |            |
| 9.25% due 02/15/21 <sup>6</sup>  | 600,000         | 618,000    |
| Greystar Real Estate Partners LLC                                      |                 |            |
| 8.25% due 12/01/22 <sup>1.6</sup>                                      | 450,000         | 487,125    |
| Cabot Financial Luxembourg S.A.  |                 |            |
|  | 350,000         |            |
| 7.00% due 10/01/23   | GBP             | 431,308    |
| Lock AS  |                 |            |
|  | 50,000          |            |
| 7.00% due 08/15/21   | EUR             | 56,141     |
| Total Financial  |                 | 17,172,606 |

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| Consumer, Non-cyclical – 8.8%   |           |           |
| Midas Intermediate Holdco II LLC / Midas Intermediate Holdco II Finance, Inc. |           |           |
| 7.88% due 10/01/22 <sup>6</sup>   | 2,651,000 | 2,664,254 |
| Vector Group Ltd.   |           |           |
| 7.75% due 02/15/21  | 2,431,000 | 2,534,318 |
| Bumble Bee Holdings, Inc.   |           |           |
| 9.00% due 12/15/17 <sup>6</sup>   | 1,950,000 | 1,925,625 |

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|  | Face<br>Amount~ | Value       |
|--|-----------------|-------------|
| CORPORATE BONDS <sup>±±</sup> 76.3% (continued)  |                 |             |
| Consumer, Non-cyclical – 8.8% (continued)  |                 |             |
| KeHE Distributors LLC / KeHE Finance Corp.<br>7.63% due 08/15/21 <sup>1,6</sup>                                      | 1,400,000       | \$1,393,000 |
| Bumble Bee Holdco SCA<br>9.63% due 03/15/18 <sup>6,8</sup>   | 1,105,000       | 1,082,900   |
| Kinetic Concepts Incorporated / KCI USA Inc<br>7.88% due 02/15/21 <sup>6</sup>                                       | 1,000,000       | 1,055,000   |
| Halyard Health, Inc.<br>6.25% due 10/15/22   | 925,000         | 945,813     |
| Tenet Healthcare Corp.<br>7.50% due 01/01/22 <sup>6</sup>  | 600,000         | 616,875     |
| Post Holdings, Inc.<br>5.00% due 08/15/26 <sup>1,6</sup>   | 450,000         | 425,813     |
| Opal Acquisition, Inc.<br>8.88% due 12/15/21 <sup>6</sup>  | 420,000         | 328,650     |
| Total Consumer, Non-cyclical   |                 | 12,972,248  |
| Technology – 6.8%  |                 |             |
| Epicor Software<br>9.25% due 06/21/23 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>   | 3,000,000       | 2,931,000   |
| Infor US, Inc.<br>6.50% due 05/15/22   | 2,650,000       | 2,722,874   |
| Micron Technology, Inc.<br>7.50% due 09/15/23 <sup>6</sup>   | 1,375,000       | 1,519,375   |
| 5.25% due 08/01/23 <sup>6</sup>  | 925,000         | 913,438     |
| Cengage Learning, Inc.<br>9.50% due 06/15/24 <sup>1,6</sup>  | 2,225,000       | 1,941,313   |
| Total Technology   |                 | 10,028,000  |
| Consumer, Cyclical – 6.6%  |                 |             |
| Ferrellgas Limited Partnership / Ferrellgas Finance Corp.<br>6.50% due 05/01/21                                      | 1,750,000       | 1,653,749   |
| 6.75% due 01/15/22   | 1,215,000       | 1,145,138   |
| 6.75% due 06/15/23 <sup>1</sup>  | 650,000         | 604,500     |
| WMG Acquisition Corp.<br>6.75% due 04/15/22 <sup>6</sup>   | 1,550,000       | 1,623,625   |
| Nathan's Famous, Inc.<br>10.00% due 03/15/20 <sup>6</sup>  | 1,300,000       | 1,417,000   |
| NPC International Incorporated / NPC Operating Company A Inc /<br>NPC Operating Company B Inc<br>10.50% due 01/15/20 | 1,120,000       | 1,158,640   |
| L Brands, Inc.   |                 |             |



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| 6.75% due 07/01/36 <sup>1</sup> | 650,000 | 641,875 |
| 6.88% due 11/01/35              | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| TVL Finance plc                 |         |         |
|                                 | 500,000 |         |
| 8.50% due 05/15/23              | GBP     | 656,547 |

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|  | Face<br>Amount~ | Value     |
|--|-----------------|-----------|
| CORPORATE BONDS <sup>±±</sup> 76.3% (continued)  |                 |           |
| Consumer, Cyclical – 6.6% (continued)  |                 |           |
| Carrols Restaurant Group, Inc.<br>8.00% due 05/01/22 <sup>1</sup>                                      | 400,000         | \$433,000 |
| Men's Wearhouse, Inc.<br>7.00% due 07/01/22  | 75,000          | 68,250    |
| Total Consumer, Cyclical   |                 | 9,652,324 |
| Industrial – 5.2%  |                 |           |
| LMI Aerospace, Inc.<br>7.38% due 07/15/19 <sup>1</sup>   | 2,628,000       | 2,621,431 |
| StandardAero Aviation Holdings, Inc.<br>10.00% due 07/15/23 <sup>6</sup>                               | 2,000,000       | 2,112,500 |
| Summit Materials LLC / Summit Materials Finance Corp.<br>8.50% due 04/15/22 <sup>1</sup>               | 1,000,000       | 1,101,250 |
| Ardagh Packaging Finance plc<br>6.75% due 05/15/24   | 600,000<br>EUR  | 666,349   |
| Ardagh Packaging Finance plc / Ardagh Holdings USA, Inc.<br>7.25% due 05/15/24 <sup>1,6</sup>          | 450,000         | 470,250   |
| Princess Juliana International Airport Operating Company N.V.<br>5.50% due 12/20/27 <sup>†††,1,6</sup> | 410,434         | 414,538   |
| Coveris Holdings S.A.<br>7.88% due 11/01/19 <sup>6</sup>   | 250,000         | 245,625   |
| Total Industrial   |                 | 7,631,943 |
| Basic Materials – 4.0%   |                 |           |
| Eldorado Gold Corp.<br>6.13% due 12/15/20 <sup>6</sup>   | 1,900,000       | 1,914,250 |
| Alcoa Nederland Holding BV<br>7.00% due 09/30/26 <sup>6</sup>  | 1,000,000       | 1,059,999 |
| GCP Applied Technologies, Inc.<br>9.50% due 02/01/23 <sup>1,6</sup>                                    | 875,000         | 990,938   |
| Novelis, Inc.<br>8.38% due 12/15/17  | 850,000         | 853,188   |
| Constellium N.V.<br>7.88% due 04/01/21 <sup>1,6</sup>  | 750,000         | 806,250   |
| Mirabela Nickel Ltd.<br>9.50% due 06/24/19 <sup>†††,1,2,7</sup>  | 1,279,819       | 236,037   |
| 1.00% due 09/10/44 <sup>†††,2</sup>  | 25,570          | –         |
| Total Basic Materials  |                 | 5,860,662 |
| Utilities – 3.3%   |                 |           |

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| Terraform Global Operating LLC            |           |           |
| 9.75% due 08/15/22 <sup>6</sup>           | 3,250,000 | 3,469,375 |
| LBC Tank Terminals Holding Netherlands BV |           |           |
| 6.88% due 05/15/23 <sup>6</sup>           | 1,300,000 | 1,300,000 |
| Total Utilities                           |           | 4,769,375 |

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|  | Face<br>Amount~ | Value       |
|--|-----------------|-------------|
| CORPORATE BONDS <sup>±</sup> 76.3% (continued)   |                 |             |
| Diversified – 2.1%   |                 |             |
| HRG Group, Inc.<br>7.88% due 07/15/19  | 3,000,000       | \$3,127,500 |
| Total Corporate Bonds<br>(Cost \$112,301,263)  |                 | 112,008,772 |
| SENIOR FLOATING RATE INTERESTS <sup>±</sup> 44.9%  |                 |             |
| Technology – 10.7%   |                 |             |
| Greenway Medical Technologies<br>9.25% due 11/04/21 <sup>1</sup>                                 | 2,450,000       | 2,327,500   |
| 6.00% due 11/04/20 <sup>1</sup>  | 1,945,000       | 1,896,375   |
| Advanced Computer Software<br>10.50% due 01/31/23 <sup>1</sup>                                   | 2,250,000       | 2,019,375   |
| 6.50% due 03/18/22 <sup>1</sup>  | 886,500         | 842,175     |
| TIBCO Software, Inc.<br>6.50% due 12/04/20 <sup>1</sup>  | 2,652,750       | 2,644,793   |
| Qlik Technologies, Inc.<br>9.25% due 08/22/22 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                                 | 2,500,000       | 2,453,790   |
| Aspect Software, Inc.<br>11.28% due 05/25/20 <sup>1</sup>  | 1,304,362       | 1,286,975   |
| 10.85% due 05/25/18 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>   | 531,667         | 519,846     |
| Sparta Holding Corp.<br>6.50% due 07/28/20 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                                    | 1,719,102       | 1,708,624   |
| Total Technology   |                 | 15,699,453  |
| Consumer, Non-cyclical – 8.8%  |                 |             |
| Reddy Ice Holdings, Inc.<br>10.75% due 10/01/19 <sup>1</sup>                                     | 4,000,000       | 3,306,680   |
| 6.75% due 05/01/19 <sup>1</sup>  | 300,000         | 282,939     |
| CTI Foods Holding Co. LLC<br>8.25% due 06/28/21 <sup>1</sup>                                     | 3,430,000       | 3,052,700   |
| Bauer Performance Sports<br>7.50% due 04/15/21 <sup>1</sup>                                      | 1,300,000       | 1,287,325   |
| IHC Holding Corp.<br>7.00% due 04/30/21 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                                       | 1,234,375       | 1,220,752   |
| Arctic Glacier Holdings, Inc.<br>6.00% due 05/10/19 <sup>1</sup>                                 | 1,105,589       | 1,094,533   |
| American Seafoods Group LLC / American Seafoods Finance, Inc.<br>6.02% due 08/19/21 <sup>1</sup> | 963,426         | 953,792     |
| Hanger, Inc.<br>11.50% due 08/01/19 <sup>1</sup>   | 925,000         | 920,375     |
| Pelican Products, Inc.   |                 |             |

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9.25% due 04/08/21<sup>1</sup>

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|  | Face<br>Amount~ | Value      |
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| SENIOR FLOATING RATE INTERESTS <sup>††,‡</sup> 44.9% (continued) |                 |            |
| Consumer, Non-cyclical – 8.8% (continued)                        |                 |            |
| Targus Group International, Inc.                                 |                 |            |
| 15.00% due 12/31/19 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                           | 139,256         | \$ 194,722 |
| 13.75% due 12/31/19 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                           | 7,928           | 11,086     |
| Total Consumer, Non-cyclical                                     |                 | 12,852,904 |
| Consumer, Cyclical – 7.4%  |                 |            |
| ABRA Auto Body   |                 |            |
| 8.25% due 09/19/22 <sup>1</sup>                                  | 1,600,000       | 1,536,000  |
| 8.25% due 09/02/22 <sup>1</sup>                                  | 750,000         | 720,000    |
| The Bay Club Company   |                 |            |
| 7.50% due 08/31/22 <sup>1</sup>                                  | 1,645,875       | 1,654,104  |
| 7.50% due 08/31/17 <sup>1</sup>                                  | 350,000         | 346,500    |
| Accuride Corp.   |                 |            |
| 8.00% due 11/10/23   | 2,000,000       | 1,940,000  |
| Sears Holdings Corp.   |                 |            |
| 5.50% due 06/30/18 <sup>1</sup>                                  | 1,959,596       | 1,910,606  |
| Sky Bet Cyan Blue HoldCo   |                 |            |
|  | 1,500,000       |            |
| 6.25% due 02/25/22 <sup>1</sup>                                  | GBP             | 1,886,347  |
| Fitness International LLC  |                 |            |
| 6.00% due 07/01/20 <sup>1</sup>                                  | 600,000         | 600,000    |
| Advantage Sales & Marketing LLC                                  |                 |            |
| 2.59% due 07/21/19 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                            | 360,000         | 335,405    |
| Total Consumer, Cyclical   |                 | 10,928,962 |
| Industrial – 7.2%  |                 |            |
| Ursa Insulation B.V.   |                 |            |
|  | 1,621,819       |            |
| 25.00% due 04/26/21 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                           | EUR             | 1,796,526  |
|  | 1,511,071       |            |
| 7.75% due 04/26/20 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                            | EUR             | 1,601,390  |
| Doncasters Group Ltd.  |                 |            |
| 9.50% due 10/09/20 <sup>1</sup>                                  | 1,351,724       | 1,243,585  |
| Bioplan USA, Inc.  |                 |            |
| 5.75% due 09/23/21 <sup>1</sup>                                  | 962,670         | 920,553    |
| HBC Hardware Holdings  |                 |            |
| 6.75% due 03/30/20 <sup>†††,1</sup>                              | 910,000         | 891,800    |
| Ranpak   |                 |            |
| 8.25% due 10/03/22 <sup>1</sup>                                  | 900,000         | 846,000    |
| National Technical   |                 |            |
| 7.25% due 06/12/21 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                            | 861,604         | 840,064    |

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|  |         |         |
|--|---------|---------|
| NaNa Development Corp.<br>8.00% due 03/15/18 <sup>1</sup>    | 694,118 | 666,353 |
| Advanced Integration Tech<br>6.50% due 07/22/21 <sup>1</sup> | 650,000 | 650,000 |
| SRS Distribution, Inc.<br>9.75% due 02/24/23 <sup>1</sup>    | 600,000 | 618,000 |

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## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) continued November 30, 2016

|  | Face<br>Amount~ | Value      |
|--|-----------------|------------|
| SENIOR FLOATING RATE INTERESTS <sup>††</sup> 44.9% (continued)         |                 |            |
| Industrial – 7.2% (continued)  |                 |            |
| ProAmpac<br>9.50% due 11/18/24 <sup>1</sup>                            | 250,000         | \$250,000  |
| Omnitracs, Inc.<br>8.75% due 05/25/21 <sup>1</sup>                     | 150,000         | 142,500    |
| Wencor Group<br>0.89% due 06/19/19 <sup>†††.1,2</sup>                  | 53,846          | 50,414     |
| Total Industrial   |                 | 10,517,185 |
| Communications – 3.9%  |                 |            |
| Cengage Learning Acquisitions, Inc.<br>5.25% due 06/07/23 <sup>1</sup> | 2,299,605       | 2,205,987  |
| Anaren, Inc.<br>9.25% due 08/18/21 <sup>1</sup>                        | 2,200,000       | 1,991,000  |
| Proquest LLC<br>10.00% due 12/15/22 <sup>1</sup>                       | 850,000         | 823,438    |
| SFR GROUP SA<br>4.04% due 01/14/25                                     | 700,000         | 698,033    |
| Total Communications   |                 | 5,718,458  |
| Energy – 3.7%  |                 |            |
| Invenergy Thermal<br>6.50% due 10/19/22 <sup>1</sup>                   | 2,422,437       | 2,319,482  |
| Cactus Wellhead<br>7.00% due 07/31/20 <sup>1</sup>                     | 1,369,930       | 1,215,813  |
| Exgen Texas Power LLC<br>5.75% due 09/18/21 <sup>1</sup>               | 1,039,566       | 788,771    |
| MRP Generation Holding<br>8.00% due 10/18/22 <sup>1</sup>              | 750,000         | 738,750    |
| Lone Star Energy<br>5.47% due 02/22/21 <sup>1</sup>                    | 500,000         | 442,500    |
| Total Energy   |                 | 5,505,316  |
| Utilities – 2.1%   |                 |            |
| Panda Temple II Power<br>7.25% due 04/03/19 <sup>1</sup>               | 2,977,500       | 2,716,969  |
| Stonewall (Green Energy)<br>6.50% due 11/13/21 <sup>1</sup>            | 450,000         | 441,000    |
| Total Utilities  |                 | 3,157,969  |
| Financial – 0.8%   |                 |            |
| Acrisure LLC   |                 |            |



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|---------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| 5.75% due 11/03/23 <sup>1</sup> | 633,929 | 633,003   |
| Integro Parent, Inc.            |         |           |
| 6.75% due 10/31/22 <sup>1</sup> | 546,032 | 532,381   |
| Total Financial                 |         | 1,165,384 |

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## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) continued November 30, 2016

|  | Face<br>Amount~ | Value      |
|--|-----------------|------------|
| SENIOR FLOATING RATE INTERESTS <sup>††</sup> 44.9% (continued)                                   |                 |            |
| Basic Materials – 0.2%   |                 |            |
| PQ Corp.<br>5.25% due 11/04/22 <sup>1</sup>  | 249,375         | \$251,245  |
| Transportation – 0.1%  |                 |            |
| Ceva Group plc (United Kingdom)<br>1.50% due 03/19/19 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                         | 110,000         | 99,694     |
| Total Senior Floating Rate Interests<br>(Cost \$68,709,211)                                      |                 | 65,896,570 |
| ASSET BACKED SECURITIES <sup>†±</sup> 14.7%  |                 |            |
| Collateralized Loan Obligations – 10.2%  |                 |            |
| Newstar Commercial Loan Funding LLC<br>2013-1A, 6.16% due 09/20/23 <sup>1,3,6</sup>              | 1,500,000       | 1,360,795  |
| THL Credit Wind River 2014-1 CLO Ltd.<br>2014-1A, 5.83% due 04/18/26 <sup>1,3,6</sup>            | 1,500,000       | 1,270,248  |
| CIFC Funding Ltd.<br>2014-1A, 5.38% due 04/18/25 <sup>3,6</sup>                                  | 1,340,000       | 1,112,012  |
| Monroe Capital CLO 2014-1 Ltd.<br>2014-1A, 5.61% due 10/22/26 <sup>1,3,6</sup>                   | 1,000,000       | 940,020    |
| Betony CLO Ltd.<br>2015-1A, 6.23% due 04/15/27 <sup>3,6</sup>                                    | 1,000,000       | 836,435    |
| Eaton Vance CLO Ltd.<br>2014-1A, 5.91% due 07/15/26 <sup>3,6</sup>                               | 1,000,000       | 811,516    |
| Denali Capital CLO X Ltd.<br>2013-1A, 6.63% due 04/28/25 <sup>1,3,6</sup>                        | 1,000,000       | 807,147    |
| OZLM XI Ltd.<br>2015-11A, 7.04% due 01/30/27 <sup>3,6</sup>                                      | 1,000,000       | 767,127    |
| Ares Enhanced Loan Investment Strategy IR Ltd.<br>2013-IRAR, 5.88% due 07/23/25 <sup>1,3,6</sup> | 830,000         | 736,163    |
| NewStar Arlington Senior Loan Program LLC<br>2014-1A, 5.13% due 07/25/25 <sup>1,3,6</sup>        | 750,000         | 693,359    |
| Saranac CLO III Ltd.<br>2014-3A, 6.02% due 06/22/25 <sup>3,6</sup>                               | 750,000         | 592,203    |
| Babson CLO Ltd.<br>2012-2A, 0.00% due 05/15/23 <sup>1,6,11</sup>                                 | 1,000,000       | 583,238    |
| Cerberus Onshore II CLO-2 LLC<br>2014-1A, 5.03% due 10/15/23 <sup>1,3,6</sup>                    | 500,000         | 494,515    |
| Fortress Credit Opportunities V CLO Ltd.<br>2014-5A, 5.78% due 10/15/26 <sup>1,3,6</sup>         | 500,000         | 480,836    |
| NXT Capital CLO 2013-1 LLC<br>2013-1A, 5.03% due 04/25/24 <sup>1,3,6</sup>                       | 500,000         | 476,203    |

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|---|---------|---------|
| Fortress Credit Opportunities VI CLO Ltd.<br>2015-6A, 5.85% due 10/10/26 <sup>1,3,6</sup> | 500,000 | 467,295 |
| Dryden 41 Senior Loan Fund<br>2015-41A, 0.00% due 01/15/28 <sup>1,6,11</sup>              | 600,000 | 465,468 |

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## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) continued November 30, 2016

|   | Face<br>Amount~ | Value      |
|---|-----------------|------------|
| ASSET BACKED SECURITIES <sup>±±</sup> 14.7% (continued) |                 |            |
| Collateralized Loan Obligations – 10.2% (continued)     |                 |            |
| Treman Park CLO Ltd.                                    |                 |            |
| 2015-1A, 0.00% due 04/20/27 <sup>1,6,11</sup>           | 500,000         | \$438,464  |
| Saranac CLO II Ltd.                                     |                 |            |
| 2014-2A, 6.06% due 02/20/25 <sup>3,6</sup>              | 500,000         | 406,310    |
| Adams Mill CLO Ltd.                                     |                 |            |
| 2014-1A, 5.88% due 07/15/26 <sup>3,6</sup>              | 500,000         | 404,695    |
| Jamestown CLO VI Ltd.                                   |                 |            |
| 2015-6A, 5.66% due 02/20/27 <sup>3,6</sup>              | 500,000         | 394,571    |
| KVK CLO Ltd.  |                 |            |
| 2014-2A, 5.63% due 07/15/26 <sup>3,6</sup>              | 500,000         | 381,918    |
| Total Collateralized Loan Obligations                   |                 | 14,920,538 |
| Transportation – 2.9%                                   |                 |            |
| Emerald Aviation Finance Ltd.                           |                 |            |
| 2013-1, 6.35% due 10/15/38 <sup>1,6,10</sup>            | 1,135,681       | 1,151,297  |
| Apollo Aviation Securitization Equity Trust             |                 |            |
| 2014-1, 7.50% due 12/15/29 <sup>3</sup>                 | 852,564         | 846,170    |
| Apollo Aviation Securitization Equity Trust 2016-2      |                 |            |
| 2016-2, 7.87% due 11/15/41 <sup>6</sup>                 | 500,000         | 500,237    |
| Apollo Aviation Securitization Equity Trust 2016-1      |                 |            |
| 2016-1A, 9.20% due 03/17/36 <sup>1,6,10</sup>           | 433,350         | 439,850    |
| Rise Ltd.   |                 |            |
| 2014-1AB, 6.50% due 02/12/39 <sup>†††,1</sup>           | 416,667         | 407,098    |
| AASET   |                 |            |
| 2014-1 C, 10.00% due 12/15/29                           | 378,955         | 378,955    |
| Turbine Engines Securitization Ltd.                     |                 |            |
| 2013-1A, 6.38% due 12/15/48 <sup>1,7</sup>              | 311,602         | 290,102    |
| Castlelake Aircraft Securitization Trust                |                 |            |
| 2014-1, 7.50% due 02/15/29                              | 271,123         | 270,581    |
| Total Transportation                                    |                 | 4,284,290  |
| Collateralized Debt Obligations – 1.0%                  |                 |            |
| Anchorage Credit Funding 1 Ltd.                         |                 |            |
| 2015-1A, 6.30% due 07/28/30 <sup>6</sup>                | 1,000,000       | 1,002,866  |
| FDF I Ltd.  |                 |            |
| 2015-1A, 6.88% due 11/12/30 <sup>1,6</sup>              | 500,000         | 500,196    |
| Total Collateralized Debt Obligations                   |                 | 1,503,062  |
| Financial – 0.3%  |                 |            |
| NCBJ 2015-1 A   |                 |            |
| 5.88% due 07/08/22 <sup>†††,1,2</sup>                   | 500,000         | 500,000    |

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) continued November 30, 2016

|   | Face<br>Amount~ | Value         |
|---|-----------------|---------------|
| ASSET BACKED SECURITIES <sup>†‡</sup> 14.7% (continued) |                 |               |
| Collateralized Loan Obligation – 0.3%                   |                 |               |
| ACAS CLO 2014-1 Ltd.                                    |                 |               |
| 2014-1A, 6.78% due 07/18/26 <sup>3,6</sup>              | 500,000         | \$390,549     |
| Total Asset Backed Securities<br>(Cost \$21,661,323)    |                 | 21,598,439    |
| MORTGAGE BACKED SECURITIES <sup>†‡</sup> 0.8%           |                 |               |
| Collateralized Mortgage Backed Securities – 0.8%        |                 |               |
| GS Mortgage Securities Corporation Trust                |                 |               |
| 2016-ICE2, 9.04% due 02/15/33 <sup>3,6</sup>            | 1,200,000       | 1,234,218     |
| Total Mortgage Backed Securities<br>(Cost \$1,200,000)  |                 | 1,234,218     |
| Total Investments – 143.9%<br>(Cost \$217,544,140)      |                 | \$211,329,049 |
| Other Assets & Liabilities, net – (43.9)%               |                 | (64,505,761 ) |
| Total Net Assets – 100.0%                               |                 | \$146,823,288 |

~ The face amount is denominated in U.S. Dollars, unless otherwise noted.

\* Non-income producing security.

\*\* Less than 0.1%

† Value determined based on Level 1 inputs, unless otherwise noted — See Note 4.

†† Value determined based on Level 2 inputs, unless otherwise noted — See Note 4.

††† Value determined based on Level 3 inputs — See Note 4.

All or a portion of these securities have been physically segregated or earmarked in connection with borrowings, 1 reverse repurchase agreements and unfunded loan commitments. As of November 30, 2016, the total market value of segregated or earmarked securities was \$98,758,271.

2 Security was fair valued by the Valuation Committee at November 30, 2016. The total market value of fair valued securities amounts to \$17,212,249, (cost \$21,491,213) or 11.7% of total net assets.

3 Variable rate security. Rate indicated is rate effective at November 30, 2016.

4 Perpetual maturity.

5 Rate indicated is the 7-day yield as of November 30, 2016.

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Security is a 144A or Section 4(a)(2) security. These securities have been determined to be liquid under guidelines established by the Board of Trustees. The total market value of 144A or Section 4(a)(2) liquid securities is \$72,743,981 (cost \$71,804,983), or 49.6% of total net assets.

7 Security is a 144A or Section 4(a)(2) security. These securities are considered illiquid and restricted under guidelines established by the Board of Trustees. The total market value of 144A or Section 4(a)(2) illiquid and restricted securities is \$1,648,167 (cost \$3,222,270), or 1.1% of total net assets — See Note 12.

8 Payment-in-kind security.

9 Security is in default of interest and/or principal obligations.

10 Security is a step up/step down bond. The coupon increases or decreases at regular intervals until the bond reaches full maturity. Rate indicated is rate effective as of November 30, 2016.

11 Security has no stated coupon. However, it is expected to receive residual cash flow payments on defined deal dates.

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## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) continued November 30, 2016

B.V. Limited Liability Company

CLO Collateralized Loan Obligation

EUR Euro

GBP Great Britain Pound

LLC Limited Liability Company

N.V. Publicly Traded Company

plc Public Limited Company

S.A. Corporation

See Sector Classification in Supplemental Information section.

The following table summarizes the inputs used to value the Fund's investments at November 30, 2016 (see Note 4 in the Notes to Financial Statements):

| Description                                 | Level 1<br>Quoted<br>Prices | Level 2<br>Significant<br>Observable<br>Inputs | Level 3<br>Significant<br>Unobservable<br>Inputs | Total                |
|---|-----------------------------|--|--|----------------------|
| <b>Assets:</b>                              |                             |  |  |                      |
| Common Stocks                               | \$1,222,025                 | \$—  | \$1,260,475                                      | \$2,482,500          |
| Preferred Stocks                            | 5,384,692                   | —  | —  | 5,384,692            |
| Exchange-Traded Funds                       | 2,347,800                   | —  | —  | 2,347,800            |
| Short Term Investments                      | 318,233                     | —  | —  | 318,233              |
| Warrants                                    | —                           | 57,825   | —  | 57,825               |
| Corporate Bonds                             | —                           | 106,372,416                                    | 5,636,356  | 112,008,772          |
| Senior Floating Rate Interests              | —                           | 54,172,457                                     | 11,724,113                                       | 65,896,570           |
| Asset Backed Securities                     | —                           | 20,691,341                                     | 907,098  | 21,598,439           |
| Mortgage Backed Securities                  | —                           | 1,234,218                                      | —  | 1,234,218            |
| Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts | —                           | 394,582  | *  | 394,582              |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                         | <b>\$9,272,750</b>          | <b>\$182,922,839</b>                           | <b>\$19,528,042</b>                              | <b>\$211,723,631</b> |
| <b>Liabilities:</b>                         |                             |  |  |                      |
| Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts | \$—                         | \$54,558                                       | * \$—  | \$54,558             |
| Unfunded Commitments                        | —                           | 826,658  | —  | 826,658              |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                    | <b>\$—</b>                  | <b>\$881,216</b>                               | <b>\$—</b>                                       | <b>\$881,216</b>     |

\* Represents the unrealized gain/loss at period end.

If not referenced in the table, please refer to the Portfolio of Investments for a breakdown of investment type by industry category.

See notes to financial statements.





## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) continued November 30, 2016

The following is a summary of the significant unobservable input used in the fair valuation of assets and liabilities categorized within the Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy:

| Category                       | Ending Balance at<br>11/30/2016 | Valuation Technique  | Unobservable Inputs                      | Input Range  |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--------------|
| Asset Backed Securities        | \$407,098                       | Option adjusted spread off the month end broker quote over the 3 month LIBOR | Indicative Quote                         | –            |
| Asset Backed Securities        | 500,000                         | Option adjusted spread   | Indicative Quote for Comparable Security | –            |
| Corporate Bonds                | 1,074,719                       | Option adjusted spread off the month end broker quote over the 3 month LIBOR | Indicative Quote                         | –            |
| Corporate Bonds                | 4,325,600                       | Model Price  | Market Comparable Yields                 | 8.8% - 14.1% |
| Corporate Bonds                | 236,037                         | Model Price  | Liquidation Value                        | –            |
| Common Stocks                  | 1,203,714                       | Enterprise Value   | Valuation Multiple*                      | 5.5x - 13.0x |
| Common Stocks                  | 56,404                          | Model Price  | Purchase Price                           | –            |
| Common Stocks                  | 357                             | Model Price  | Liquidation Value                        | –            |
| Senior Floating Rate Interests | 891,800                         | Option adjusted spread off the month end broker quote over the 3 month LIBOR | Indicative Quote                         | –            |
| Senior Floating Rate Interests | 3,603,724                       | Enterprise Value   | Valuation Multiple*                      | 5.5x - 8.0x  |
| Senior Floating Rate Interests | 5,167,773                       | Model Price  | Purchase Price                           | –            |
| Senior Floating Rate Interests | 2,060,816                       | Model Price  | Market Comparable Yields                 | 5.7% - 5.9%  |

Significant changes in an indicative quote or valuation multiple would generally result in significant changes in the fair value of the security.

Transfers between investment levels may occur as the markets fluctuate and/or the availability of data used in an investment's valuation changes. Transfers between valuation levels, if any, are in comparison to the valuation levels at the end of the previous fiscal year, and are effective using the fair value as of the end of the current period.

As of November 30, 2016, the Fund had a security with a total value of \$378,955 transferred from Level 3 to Level 2 due to availability of market price information at the period end.

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## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) continued November 30, 2016

## Summary of Fair Value of Level 3 Activity

Following is a reconciliation of Level 3 assets for which significant unobservable inputs were used to determine fair value for the period ended November 30, 2016:

|   | Senior<br>Floating<br>Rate<br>Interests | Asset-Backed<br>Securities | Corporate<br>Bonds | Common<br>Stocks | Total        |
|---|---|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Assets:   |   |                            |                    |                  |              |
| Beginning Balance   | \$11,180,172                            | \$1,351,858                | \$5,956,415        | \$1,484,363      | \$19,972,808 |
| Purchases   | 4,034,429                               | –                          | –                  | 60,004           | 4,094,433    |
| Corporate Actions   | –                                       | –                          | (380,626 )         | –                | (380,626 )   |
| Paydowns Received   | (1,786,813 )                            | (37,587 )                  | (33,029 )          | –                | (1,857,429 ) |
| Payment-in-kind Distributions<br>Received   | 218,824                                 | –                          | 16,140             | –                | 234,964      |
| Realized Gain/ (Loss)   | (25,457 )                               | –                          | –                  | –                | (25,457 )    |
| Total change in unrealized gains<br>or (losses) included in earnings  | 208,700                                 | (28,094 )                  | 48,804             | (283,892 )       | (54,482 )    |
| Accrued discounts/(premiums)  | 36,985                                  | (124 )                     | 28,652             | –                | 65,513       |
| Sales   | (2,142,727 )                            | –                          | –                  | –                | (2,142,727 ) |
| Transfers out of Level 3  | –                                       | (378,955 )                 | –                  | –                | (378,955 )   |
| Ending Balance  | \$11,724,113                            | \$907,098                  | \$5,636,356        | \$1,260,475      | \$19,528,042 |
| Net change in unrealized<br>appreciation (depreciation)<br>for investments in securities<br>still held at November 30, 2016 | \$214,409                               | \$(30,464 )                | \$52,595           | \$(283,892 )     | \$(47,352 )  |

## STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (Unaudited) November 30, 2016

## ASSETS:

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| Investments, at value (cost \$217,544,140)                             | \$211,329,049 |
| Foreign currency, at value (cost \$107)                                | 107           |
| Cash   | 1,814,814     |
| Unrealized appreciation on forward foreign currency exchange contracts | 394,582       |
| Receivables:   |               |
| Interest   | 3,024,771     |
| Investments sold   | 3,405,207     |
| Tax reclaims   | 22,568        |
| Other assets   | 6,263         |
| Total assets   | 219,997,361   |

## LIABILITIES:

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| Reverse repurchase agreements  | 61,902,161    |
| Borrowings   | 6,000,000     |
| Unfunded loan commitments, at value (Note 10) (commitment fees received \$1,561,468) | 826,658       |
| Segregated Cash from broker  | 255,000       |
| Interest payable on borrowings   | 37,365        |
| Unrealized depreciation on forward foreign currency exchange contracts               | 54,558        |
| Payable for:   |               |
| Investments purchased  | 3,700,863     |
| Investment advisory fees   | 178,412       |
| Excise tax payable   | 121,000       |
| Offering costs   | 3,987         |
| Trustee's fees and expenses*   | 3,073         |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities   | 90,996        |
| Total liabilities  | 73,174,073    |
| NET ASSETS   | \$146,823,288 |

## NET ASSETS CONSIST OF:

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| Common stock, \$.01 par value per share; unlimited number of shares authorized, 6,695,877 shares issued and outstanding | \$66,959      |
| Additional paid-in capital  | 159,037,940   |
| Undistributed net investment income   | 1,480,130     |
| Accumulated net realized loss on investments  | (8,620,666 )  |
| Net unrealized depreciation on investments  | (5,141,075 )  |
| NET ASSETS  | \$146,823,288 |
| Net Asset Value   | \$21.93       |

\* Relates to Trustees not deemed "interested persons" within the meaning of Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act. See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited) November 30, 2016  
For the Six Months Ended November 30, 2016

INVESTMENT INCOME:

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Interest                | \$7,927,837 |
| Dividends               | 145,108     |
| Total investment income | 8,072,945   |

EXPENSES

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Investment advisory fees     | 1,030,006 |
| Interest expense             | 404,923   |
| Excise tax expense           | 121,000   |
| Professional fees            | 63,026    |
| Trustees' fees and expenses* | 37,698    |
| Fund accounting fees         | 32,676    |
| Administration fees          | 28,079    |
| Printing fees                | 19,830    |
| Registration and filings     | 11,895    |
| Custodian fees               | 11,008    |
| Transfer agent fees          | 9,889     |
| Insurance                    | 4,272     |
| Total expenses               | 1,774,302 |
| Net investment income        | 6,298,643 |

NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS):

Net realized gain (loss) on:

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Investments                   | (4,802,193 ) |
| Foreign currency transactions | 1,179,648    |
| Net realized (loss)           | (3,622,545 ) |

Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Investments  | 13,689,248 |
| Foreign currency translations                        | 110,758    |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) | 13,800,006 |

Net realized and unrealized gain 10,177,461

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations \$16,476,104

\* Relates to Trustees not deemed "interested persons" within the meaning of Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act.

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## STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

November 30,  
2016

| November 30, 2016   | Period Ended  |                            |
|---|---------------|----------------------------|
|   | (Unaudited)   | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2016 |
| <b>INCREASE IN NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS:</b>                      |               |                            |
| Net investment income   | \$6,298,643   | \$13,366,634               |
| Net realized (loss) on investments                                  | (3,622,545 )  | (3,042,312 )               |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments | 13,800,006    | (14,515,990 )              |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations     | 16,476,104    | (4,191,668 )               |
| <b>DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS:</b>                               |               |                            |
| From net investment income  | (7,234,278 )  | (14,423,713 )              |
| <b>SHAREHOLDER TRANSACTIONS:</b>                                    |               |                            |
| Net proceeds from shares issued through at-the-market offering      | 1,393,383     | —                          |
| Reinvestments   | 54,466        | 4,542                      |
| Common share offering costs charged to paid-in capital              | (8,488 )      | —                          |
| Net increase from capital share transactions                        | 1,439,361     | 4,542                      |
| Total increase (decrease) in net assets                             | 10,681,187    | (18,610,839 )              |
| <b>NET ASSETS:</b>  |               |                            |
| Beginning of period   | 136,142,101   | 154,752,940                |
| End of period   | \$146,823,288 | \$136,142,101              |
| Undistributed net investment<br>income at end of period             | \$1,480,130   | \$2,415,765                |

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) November 30, 2016  
For the Period November 30, 2016

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities:   |               |
| Net Increase in net assets resulting from operations  | \$ 16,476,104 |
| Adjustments to Reconcile Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations to                                  |               |
| Net Cash Used In Operating and Investing Activities:  |               |
| Net change in unrealized (appreciation) on investments  | (13,689,248 ) |
| Net change in unrealized (appreciation) on forward foreign<br>currency exchange contracts                         | (110,758 )    |
| Net realized loss on investments  | 4,802,193     |
| Net accretion of bond discount and amortization of bond premium   | (130,468 )    |
| Purchase of long-term investments   | (74,025,515 ) |
| Paydowns received on mortgage and asset backed securities   | 14,560,283    |
| Proceeds from sales of long-term investments  | 54,009,486    |
| Net purchases of short-term investments   | (70,912 )     |
| Other payments  | 123,988       |
| Commitment fees paid on unfunded commitments  | (117,560 )    |
| Increase in segregated cash from broker   | 5,000         |
| Increase in interest receivable   | (103,998 )    |
| Increase in investments sold receivable   | (1,349,587 )  |
| Increase in tax reclaims receivables  | (627 )        |
| Decrease in other assets  | 8,006         |
| Increase in payable for investments purchased   | (651,060 )    |
| Increase in investment advisory fees payable  | 15,479        |
| Increase in excise tax payable  | 121,000       |
| Decrease in interest payable on borrowings  | (22,347 )     |
| Decrease in trustees fees and expenses payable  | (364 )        |
| Increase in offering costs  | 3,987         |
| Decrease in accrued expenses and other liabilities  | (51,554 )     |
| Net Cash Used in Operating and Investing Activities   | (198,472 )    |
| Cash Flows From Financing Activities:   |               |
| Distributions to common shareholders  | (7,179,812 )  |
| Proceeds from reverse repurchase agreements   | 147,452,271   |
| Payments made on reverse repurchase agreements  | (145,217,244) |
| Proceeds from borrowings  | 6,000,000     |
| Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities   | 1,055,215     |
| Net increase in cash  | 856,743       |
| Cash at Beginning of Period (including foreign currency)  | 958,178       |
| Cash at End of Period (including foreign currency)  | \$ 1,814,921  |
| Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information: Cash paid during the period                                     |               |
| for interest  | \$ 988,648    |
| Supplemental Disclosure of Non Cash Financing Activity: Dividend reinvestment                                     | \$ 54,466     |
| Supplemental Disclosure of Non Cash Financing Activity: Additional principal<br>received on payment-in-kind bonds | \$ (235,075 ) |

See notes to financial statements.





## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS November 30, 2016

|   | For the<br>six months<br>ended<br>November<br>30, 2016<br><br>(Unaudited) | For the<br>year<br>ended<br>May 31,<br>2016 | For the<br>year<br>ended<br>May 31,<br>2015 | Period<br>Ended<br>May 31,<br>2014 <sup>(a)</sup> |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| <b>Per Share Data:</b>                                    |   |   |   |   |
| Net asset value, beginning of period                      | \$ 20.53  | \$23.34                                     | \$24.71                                     | \$23.82   |
| Income from investment operations:                        |   |   |   |   |
| Net investment income <sup>(b)</sup>                      | 1.04  | 2.02  | 1.95  | 1.64  |
| Net gain (loss) on investments (realized and unrealized)  | 1.45  | (2.65 )                                     | (1.16 )                                     | 0.71  |
| Total from investment operations                          | 2.49  | (0.63 )                                     | 0.79  | 2.35  |
| Less distributions from:                                  |   |   |   |   |
| Net investment income                                     | (1.09 )   | (2.18 )                                     | (1.57 )                                     | (1.46 )   |
| Capital gains   | —   | —   | (0.59 )                                     | —   |
| Total distributions to shareholders                       | (1.09 )   | (2.18 )                                     | (2.16 )                                     | (1.46 )   |
| Net asset value, end of period                            | \$ 21.93  | \$20.53                                     | \$23.34                                     | \$24.71   |
| Market value, end of period                               | \$ 21.06  | \$19.86                                     | \$23.07                                     | \$24.68   |
| <b>Total Return<sup>(c)</sup></b>                         |   |   |   |   |
| Net asset value   | 12.33   | % -2.31                                     | % 3.45                                      | % 10.12   |
| Market value  | 11.57   | % -4.00                                     | % 2.54                                      | % 5.08  |
| <b>Ratios/Supplemental Data:</b>                          |   |   |   |   |
| Net assets, end of period (in thousands)                  | \$ 146,823  | \$136,142                                   | \$154,753                                   | \$163,815   |
| Ratio to average net assets of:                           |   |   |   |   |
| Total expenses, including interest expense <sup>(d)</sup> | 2.40  | % 2.27                                      | % 2.04                                      | % 1.73  |
| Net investment income, including interest expense         | 8.83  | % 9.68                                      | % 8.23                                      | % 7.28  |
| Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(e)</sup>                    | 26  | % 63  | % 55  | % 54  |

See notes to financial statements.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS continued November 30, 2016

|   | For the<br>six months<br>ended<br>November<br>30, 2016<br><br>(Unaudited) | For the<br>year<br>ended<br>May 31,<br>2016 | For the<br>year<br>ended<br>May 31,<br>2015 | Period<br>Ended<br>May 31,<br>2014 <sup>(a)</sup> |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Per Share Data:                               |   |   |   |   |
| Senior Indebtedness:                          |   |   |   |   |
| Total Borrowings outstanding (in thousands)   | \$ 67,902   | \$59,667                                    | \$65,943                                    | \$53,344  |
| Asset Coverage per \$1,000 of indebtedness(f) | \$ 3,162  | \$3,282                                     | \$3,347                                     | \$4,071   |

(a) Since commencement of operations: June 26, 2013. Percentage amounts for the period, except total return and portfolio turnover rate, have been annualized.

(b) Based on average shares outstanding.

Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of a common share at the beginning of the period and a sale on the last day of the period reported either at net asset value ("NAV") or market price per share. Dividends and distribution (c) are assumed to be reinvested at NAV for NAV returns or the prices obtained under the Fund's Dividend Reinvestment Plan for market value returns. Total investment return does not reflect brokerage commissions. A return calculated for a period of less than one year is not annualized.

(d) Excluding interest expense, the annualized operation expense ratio would be 1.84%, 1.82%, 1.76% and 1.55% for the periods ended November 30, 2016, May 31, 2016, May 31, 2015 and May 31, 2014, respectively.

(e) Portfolio turnover is not annualized for periods of less than one year.

(f) Calculated by subtracting the Fund's total liabilities (not including borrowings) from the Fund's total assets and dividing by the total borrowings.

See notes to financial statements.

Note 1 – Organization:

Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund (the “Fund”) was organized as a Delaware statutory trust on June 7, 2012, and commenced investment operations on June 26, 2013. The Fund is registered as a diversified, closed-end management investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”).

The Fund’s investment objective is to seek total return through a combination of current income and capital appreciation.

Note 2 – Accounting Policies:

The Fund operates as an investment company and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification Topic 946 Financial Services – Investment Companies.

The following significant accounting policies are in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) and are consistently followed by the Fund. This requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates. All time references are based on Eastern Time.

(a) Valuation of Investments

The Board of Trustees of the Fund (the “Board”) has adopted policies and procedures for the valuation of the Fund’s investments (the “Valuation Procedures”). Pursuant to the Valuation Procedures, the Board has delegated to a valuation committee, consisting of representatives from Guggenheim’s investment management, fund administration, legal and compliance departments (the “Valuation Committee”), the day-to-day responsibility for implementing the Valuation Procedures, including, under most circumstances, the responsibility for determining the fair value of the Fund’s securities or other assets.

Valuations of the Fund’s securities are supplied primarily by pricing services appointed pursuant to the processes set forth in the Valuation Procedures. The Valuation Committee convenes monthly, or more frequently as needed and will review the valuation of all assets which have been fair valued for reasonableness. The Fund’s officers, through the Valuation Committee and consistent with the monitoring and review responsibilities set forth in the Valuation Procedures, regularly review procedures used by, and valuations provided by, the pricing services.

If the pricing service cannot or does not provide a valuation for a particular investment or such valuation is deemed unreliable, such investment is fair valued by the Valuation Committee.

Equity securities listed on an exchange (New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) or American Stock Exchange) are valued at the last quoted sale price as of the close of business on the NYSE, usually 4:00 p.m. on the valuation date. Equity securities listed on the NASDAQ market system are valued at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price on the valuation date, which may not necessarily represent the last sale price. If there has been no sale on such exchange or NASDAQ on such day, the security is valued at the mean of the most recent bid and asked prices on such day.

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Open-end investment companies (“Mutual Funds”) are valued at their NAV as of the close of business on the valuation date. Exchange Traded Funds (“ETFs”) and closed-end investment companies are valued at the last quoted sale price. Debt securities with a maturity of greater than 60 days at acquisition are valued at prices that reflect broker/dealer supplied valuations or are obtained from independent pricing services, which may consider the trade activity, treasury spreads, yields or price of bonds of comparable quality, coupon, maturity, and type, as well as prices quoted by dealers who make markets in such securities. Short-term debt securities with a maturity of 60 days or less at acquisition and repurchase agreements are valued at amortized cost, provided such amount approximates market value.

Typically loans are valued using information provided by an independent third party pricing service which uses broker quotes in a non-active market.

Generally, trading in foreign securities markets is substantially completed each day at various times prior to the close of the NYSE. The values of foreign securities are determined as of the close of such foreign markets or the close of the NYSE, if earlier. All investments quoted in foreign currency are valued in U.S. dollars on the basis of the foreign currency exchange rates prevailing at the close of U.S. business at 4:00 p.m. Investments in foreign securities may involve risks not present in domestic investments. The Valuation Committee will determine the current value of such foreign securities by taking into consideration certain factors which may include those discussed above, as well as the following factors, among others: the value of the securities traded on other foreign markets, ADR trading, closed-end fund trading, foreign currency exchange activity, and the trading prices of financial products that are tied to foreign securities such as World Equity Benchmark Securities. In addition, under the Valuation Procedures, the Valuation Committee and the Guggenheim Funds Investment Advisors, LLC (“GFIA or the “Adviser”) are authorized to use prices and other information supplied by a third party pricing vendor in valuing foreign securities.

Investments for which market quotations are not readily available are fair valued as determined in good faith by the Adviser, subject to review by the Valuation Committee, pursuant to methods established or ratified by the Board. Valuations in accordance with these methods are intended to reflect each security’s (or asset’s) “fair value.” Each such determination is based on a consideration of all relevant factors, which are likely to vary from one pricing context to another. Examples of such factors may include, but are not limited to: market prices; sale prices; broker quotes; and models which derive prices based on inputs such as prices of securities with comparable maturities and characteristics, or based on inputs such as anticipated cash flows or collateral, spread over Treasuries, and other information analysis.

(b) Investment Transactions and Investment Income

Investment transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on investments are determined on the identified cost basis. Paydown gains and losses on mortgage and asset-backed securities are treated as an adjustment to interest income. Dividend income is recorded net of applicable withholding taxes on the ex-dividend date and interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Discounts or premiums on debt securities purchased are accreted or amortized to interest income over the lives of the respective securities using the effective interest method.

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(c) Currency Translation

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at the mean of the bid and asked price of respective exchange rates on the last day of the period. Purchases and sales of investments denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate on the bid and asked price of respective exchange rates on the date of the transaction.

The Fund does not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in market prices of securities held. Such fluctuations are included with the net realized and unrealized gain or loss from investments.

Foreign exchange realized gain or loss resulting from holding of a foreign currency, expiration of a currency exchange contract, difference in exchange rates between the trade date and settlement date of an investment purchased or sold, and the difference between dividends or interest actually received compared to the amount shown in the Fund's accounting records on the date of receipt is shown as net realized gains or losses on foreign currency transactions on the Fund's Statement of Operations.

Foreign exchange unrealized gain or loss on assets and liabilities, other than investments, is shown as unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on foreign currency translation on the Fund's Statement of Operations.

(d) Forward Exchange Currency Contracts

Forward foreign currency exchange contracts are agreements between two parties to buy and sell currencies at a set price on a future date. Fluctuations in the value of open forward foreign currency exchange contracts are recorded for financial reporting purposes as unrealized appreciation and depreciation by the Fund until the contracts are closed.

When the contracts are closed, realized gains and losses are recorded, and included on the Statement of Operations in foreign currency transactions.

(e) Distributions to Shareholders

The Fund declares and pays monthly distributions to common shareholders. These distributions consist of investment company taxable income, which generally includes qualified dividend income, ordinary income and short-term capital gains. Any net realized long-term capital gains are distributed annually to common shareholders. To the extent distributions exceed taxable income, the excess will be deemed a return of capital.

Distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount and timing of distributions are determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations, which may differ from GAAP.

(f) Indemnifications

Under the Fund's organizational documents, its Trustees and Officers are indemnified against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Fund. In addition, throughout the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of representations and warranties which provide general indemnifications. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be

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made against the Fund and/or its affiliates that have not yet occurred. However, based on experience, the Fund expects the risk of loss to be remote.

Note 3 – Investment Advisory Agreement, Sub-Advisory Agreement and Other Agreements:

Pursuant to an Investment Advisory Agreement (the “Agreement”) between the Fund and Guggenheim Funds Investment Advisors, LLC, the Adviser furnishes offices, necessary facilities and equipment, provides administrative services, oversees the activities of Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC (“GPIM” or the “Sub-Adviser”), provides personnel including certain officers required for the Fund’s administrative management and compensates the officers or trustees of the Fund who are affiliates of the Adviser. As compensation for these services, the Fund pays the Adviser a fee, payable monthly, in an amount equal to 1.00% of the Fund’s average daily managed assets.

Pursuant to a Sub-Advisory Agreement (the “Sub-Advisory Agreement”) among the Fund, the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser, GPIM, under the supervision of the Fund’s Board of Trustees and the Adviser, provides a continuous investment program for the Fund’s portfolio; provides investment research, makes and executes recommendations for the purchase and sale of securities; and provides certain facilities and personnel, including certain officers required for its administrative management and pays the compensation of all officers and trustees of the Fund who are GPIM’s affiliates. As compensation for its services, the Adviser pays GPIM a fee, payable monthly, in an annual amount equal to 0.50% of the Fund’s average daily managed assets.

For purposes of calculating the fees payable under the foregoing agreements, average daily managed assets means the average daily value of the Fund’s total assets minus the sum of its accrued liabilities. Total assets means all of the Fund’s assets and is not limited to its investment securities. Accrued liabilities means all of the Fund’s liabilities other than borrowings for investment purposes.

Certain officers and trustees of the Fund may also be officers, directors and/or employees of the Adviser or GPIM. The Fund does not compensate its officers or trustees who are officers, directors and/or employees of the aforementioned firms.

On October 4, 2016, Rydex Fund Services, LLC (“RFS”) was purchased by MUFG Investor Services and as of that date RFS ceased to be an affiliate of the Adviser. In connection with its acquisition, RFS changed its name to MUFG Investor Services (US), LLC (“MUIS”). This change has no impact on the financial statements of the Fund.

MUIS acts as the Fund’s administrator and accounting agent. As administrator and accounting agent, MUIS is responsible for maintaining the books and records of the Fund’s securities and cash. The Bank of New York (“BNY”) acts as the Fund’s custodian. As custodian, BNY is responsible for the custody of the Fund’s assets. For providing the aforementioned services, MUIS and BNY are entitled to receive a monthly fee equal to an annual percentage of the Fund’s average daily managed assets subject to certain minimum monthly fees and out of pocket expenses.

Note 4 – Fair Value Measurement:

In accordance with GAAP, fair value is defined as the price that the Fund would receive to sell an investment or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction with an independent buyer in the principal market, or in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market for the

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investment or liability. GAAP establishes a three-tier fair value hierarchy based on the types of inputs used to value assets and liabilities and requires corresponding disclosure. The hierarchy and the corresponding inputs are summarized below:

Level 1 — quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 — significant other observable inputs (for example quoted prices for securities that are similar based on characteristics such as interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

Level 3 — significant unobservable inputs based on the best information available under the circumstances, to the extent observable inputs are not available, which may include assumptions.

The types of inputs available depend on a variety of factors, such as the type of security and the characteristics of the markets in which it trades, if any. Fair valuation determinations that rely on fewer or no observable inputs require greater judgment. Accordingly, fair value determinations for Level 3 securities require the greatest amount of judgment.

Independent pricing services are used to value a majority of the Fund's investments. When values are not available from a pricing service, they will be determined under the valuation policies that have been reviewed and approved by the Board. In any event, values are determined using a variety of sources and techniques, including: market prices; broker quotes; and models which derive prices based on inputs such as prices of securities with comparable maturities and characteristics or based on inputs such as anticipated cash flows or collateral, spread over Treasuries, and other information and analysis. A significant portion of the Funds' assets and liabilities are categorized as Level 2 or Level 3, as indicated in this report.

Indicative quotes from broker-dealers, adjusted for fluctuations in criteria such as credit spreads and interest rates, may be also used to value the Fund's assets and liabilities, i.e. prices provided by a broker-dealer or other market participant who has not committed to trade at that price. Although indicative quotes are typically received from established market participants, the Fund may not have the transparency to view the underlying inputs which support the market quotations.

Certain fixed income securities are valued by obtaining a monthly indicative quote from a broker dealer, adjusted for fluctuations in criteria such as credit spreads and interest rates.

The inputs or methodologies used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. The suitability of the techniques and sources employed to determine fair valuation are regularly monitored and subject to change.

Note 5 – Federal Income Taxes:

The Fund intends to continue to comply with the requirements of Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Internal Revenue Code"), applicable to regulated investment companies.

The Fund may be subject to an excise tax of 4% of the amount by which 98% of the Fund's annual taxable income and 98.2% of net realized gains exceed the distributions from such taxable income and realized gains for the calendar year.

The Fund accrued excise tax of \$121,000 or \$0.020 per share, attributable to calendar year 2016.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited) continued November 30, 2016

As of November 30, 2016, the cost of investments and accumulated unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments for federal income tax purposes were as follows:

| Cost of<br>Investments<br>for Tax<br>Purposes | Gross Tax<br>Unrealized<br>Appreciation | Gross Tax<br>Unrealized<br>Depreciation | Net Tax<br>Unrealized<br>Depreciation on<br>Investments |
|---|---|---|---|
| \$ 217,772,817                                | \$ 5,857,726                            | \$ (12,301,494)                         | \$ (6,443,768)  |

The net tax unrealized appreciation on unfunded commitments is \$734,810.

The differences between book basis and tax basis unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is primarily attributable to the tax deferral of losses on wash sales, the mark to market of PFIC investments, and equity to debt accruals of income. As of May 31, 2016 (the most recent fiscal year end for federal income tax purposes), the components of accumulated earnings/(losses) (excluding paid-in capital) on a tax basis were as follows:

| Undistributed<br>Ordinary Income | Accumulated<br>Long-Term Gains/<br>(Accumulated<br>Capital Losses) | Net Unrealized<br>Appreciation/<br>(Depreciation) |
|----------------------------------|--|---|
| \$ 2,855,017                     | \$ (4,971,448)   | \$ (19,407,006)                                   |

For the year ended May 31, 2016 (the most recent fiscal year end for federal income tax purposes), the tax character of distributions paid to shareholders as reflected in the Statements of Changes in Net Assets was as follows:

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Distributions paid from 2016<br>Ordinary Income | \$14,423,713 |
|---|--------------|

Note: For federal income tax purposes, short-term capital gain distributions are treated as ordinary income distributions.

For all open tax years and all major jurisdictions, management of the Fund has concluded that there are no significant uncertain tax positions that would require recognition in the financial statements. Uncertain tax positions are tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing the Fund's tax returns that would not meet a more-likely-than not threshold of being sustained by the applicable tax authority and would be recorded as a tax expense in the current year. Open tax years are those that are open for examination by taxing authorities (i.e. generally the last four tax year ends and the interim tax period since then).

Note 6 – Investments in Securities:

During the six months ended November 30, 2016, the cost of purchases and proceeds from sales of investments, excluding short-term investments were \$74,025,515 and \$54,009,486, respectively.

The Fund is permitted to purchase or sell securities from or to certain affiliated funds under specified conditions outlined in procedures adopted by the Board. The procedures have been designed to ensure that any purchase or sale of securities by a Fund from or to another fund or portfolio that is or could be considered an affiliate by virtue of having a common investment adviser





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(or affiliated investment advisers), common Trustees and/or common officers complies with Rule 17a-7 of the 1940 Act. Further, as defined under these procedures, each transaction is effected at the current market price to save costs, where permissible. For the six months ended November 30, 2016, the Fund engaged in purchases and sales of securities, pursuant to Rule 17a-7 of the 1940 Act, as follows:

| Purchases | Sales        | Realized<br>Gain (Loss) |
|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|
| \$406,341 | \$10,047,633 | \$214,782               |

## Note 7 – Derivatives:

Derivatives are instruments whose values depend on, or are derived from, in whole or in part, the value of one or more other assets, such as securities, currencies, commodities or indices. Derivative instruments may be used to increase investment flexibility (including to maintain cash reserves while maintaining exposure to certain other assets), for risk management (hedging) purposes, to facilitate trading, to reduce transaction costs and to pursue higher investment returns. Derivative instruments may also be used to mitigate certain investment risks, such as foreign currency exchange rate risk, interest rate risk and credit risk. GAAP requires disclosures to enable investors to better understand how and why a Fund uses derivative instruments, how these derivative instruments are accounted for and their effects on the Fund's financial position and results of operations.

The Fund may utilize derivatives for the following purposes:

Hedge – an investment made in order to reduce the risk of adverse price movements in a security, by taking an offsetting position to protect against broad market moves.

## (a) Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts

The Fund enters into forward foreign currency exchange contracts in order to hedge its exposure to changes in foreign currency exchange rates on its foreign portfolio holdings, to hedge certain firm purchases and sales commitments denominated in foreign currencies and for investment purposes.

A forward foreign currency exchange contract is a commitment to purchase or sell a foreign currency on a future date at a negotiated forward rate. Risk may arise from the potential inability of a counterparty to meet the terms of a contract and from unanticipated movements in the value of a foreign currency relative to the U.S. dollar. The face or contract amount, in U.S. dollars, reflects the total exposure the Fund has in that particular currency contract.

As of November 30, 2016, the following forward foreign currency exchange contracts were outstanding:

| Contracts to Buy | Counterparty                | Settlement<br>Date | Settlement<br>Value | Value as<br>of<br>11/30/16 | Net<br>Unrealized<br>Appreciation<br>(Depreciation) |
|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|---|
| EUR 376,000      |                             |                    |                     |                            |   |
| for USD 398,750  | The Bank of New York Mellon | 12/12/2016         | 398,750             | 409,880                    | \$ (11,130 )  |
| EUR 670,000      |                             |                    |                     |                            |   |
| for USD 710,538  | The Bank of New York Mellon | 12/12/2016         | 710,538             | 710,227                    | \$ 311<br>\$ (10,819 )                              |

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| Contracts to Sell   | Counterparty                | Settlement Date | Settlement Value | Value as of 11/30/16 | Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------------|--|
| EUR 9,199,000<br>for USD 10,149,855   | The Bank of New York Mellon | 12/12/2016      | 10,149,855       | 9,755,584            | \$ 394,271                                 |
| GBP 3,586,000<br>for USD 4,444,051  | The Bank of New York Mellon | 12/12/2016      | 4,444,051        | 4,487,479            | \$ (43,428 )<br>\$ 350,843                 |
| Total unrealized appreciation for forward foreign currency exchange contracts |                             |                 |                  |                      | \$ 340,024                                 |

(b) Summary of Derivatives Information

The following table presents the types of derivatives in the Fund by location as presented on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of November 30, 2016.

Statement of Asset and Liabilities

Presentation of Fair Values of Derivative Instruments (\$000s):

| Primary Risk Exposure | Asset Derivatives<br>Statement of Assets<br>and Liabilities Location   | Fair Value | Liability Derivatives<br>Statement of Assets<br>and Liabilities Location | Fair Value |
|-----------------------|--|------------|--|------------|
| Foreign exchange risk | Unrealized appreciation on forward foreign currency exchange contracts | \$395      | Unrealized depreciation on forward foreign currency exchange contracts   | \$55       |

The following table presents the effect of derivatives instruments on the Statement of Operations for the six months ended November 30, 2016.

Effect of Derivative Instruments on the Statement of Operations:

Amount of Realized Gain (Loss) on Derivatives (value in \$000s)

Primary Risk Exposure Foreign Currency Transactions

Foreign exchange risk \$1,180

Change in Unrealized Depreciation on Derivatives (value in \$000s)

Primary Risk Exposure Foreign Currency Translations

Foreign exchange risk \$103\*

\* The Statement of Operations includes change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on foreign currency and payables or receivables in foreign currency.

Derivative Volume

Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts:

The Fund had the following activity in forward foreign currency exchange contracts during the six months ended November 30, 2016:

Quarterly Average Settlement Value Purchased \$ 1,140,018

Quarterly Average Settlement Value Sold      21,788,457

Note 8 – Offsetting:

In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into transactions subject to enforceable master netting arrangements or other similar arrangements. Generally, the right to offset in those

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agreements allows the Fund to counteract the exposure to a specific counterparty with collateral received or delivered to that counterparty based on the terms of the arrangements. These arrangements provide for the right to liquidate upon the occurrence of an event of default, credit event upon merger or additional termination event.

In order to better define their contractual rights and to secure rights that will help the Fund mitigate their counterparty risk, the Fund may enter into an International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. Master Agreement (“ISDA Master Agreement”) or similar agreement with their derivative contract counterparties. An ISDA Master Agreement is a bilateral agreement between a Fund and a counterparty that governs OTC derivatives, including foreign exchange contracts, and typically contains, among other things, collateral posting terms and netting provisions in the event of a default and/or termination event. The provisions of the ISDA Master Agreement typically permit a single net payment in the event of a default (close-out netting) or similar event, including the bankruptcy or insolvency of the counterparty.

For derivatives traded under an ISDA Master Agreement, the collateral requirements are typically calculated by netting the mark to market amount for each transaction under such agreement and comparing that amount to the value of any collateral currently pledged by the Fund and the counterparty. For financial reporting purposes, cash collateral that has been pledged to cover obligations of the Fund and cash collateral received from the counterparty, if any, is reported separately on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as segregated cash with broker/ receivable for variation margin, or payable for swap settlement/variation margin. Generally, the amount of collateral due from or to a counterparty must exceed a minimum transfer amount threshold (e.g., \$300,000) before a transfer is required to be made. To the extent amounts due to the Fund from their counterparties are not fully collateralized, contractually or otherwise, the Fund bears the risk of loss from counterparty nonperformance. The Fund attempts to mitigate counterparty risk by only entering into agreements with counterparties that it believes to be of good standing and by monitoring the financial stability of those counterparties.

For financial reporting purposes, the Fund does not offset derivative assets and derivative liabilities that are subject to netting arrangements in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The following tables present derivative financial instruments and secured financing transactions that are subject to enforceable netting arrangements and offset in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities in conformity with GAAP.

| Description                                       | Gross<br>Amounts<br>of Recognized<br>Assets | Gross<br>Amounts<br>Offset in the<br>Statement of<br>Assets and<br>Liabilities | Net Amounts  |   | Net<br>Amount |
|---|---|--|--|---|---------------|
|   |   |  | of Assets<br>Presented in the<br>Statement of<br>Assets and<br>Liabilities | Gross Amounts Not<br>Offset in the Statement<br>of Assets & Liabilities<br>Financial<br>Instruments |               |
| Forward Foreign<br>Currency Exchange<br>Contracts | \$394,582                                   | \$ –   | \$394,582  | \$ (54,558)   | \$ 340,024    |

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| Description                                 | Gross Amounts of Recognized Liabilities | Gross Amounts Offset in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities | Net Amounts of Liabilities Presented in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities | Gross Amounts Not Offset in the Statement of Assets & Liabilities Financial Instruments | Net Amount |
|---|---|---|---|---|------------|
| Reverse Repurchase Agreements               | \$61,902,161                            | \$ –  | \$ 61,902,161   | \$ (61,902,161)   | \$ –       |
| Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts | 54,558                                  | –   | 54,558  | (54,558)  | –          |

## Note 9 – Leverage:

## Reverse Repurchase Agreements

The Fund may enter into reverse repurchase agreements as part of its financial leverage strategy. Under a reverse repurchase agreement, the Fund temporarily transfers possession of a portfolio instrument to another party, such as a bank or broker-dealer, in return for cash. At the same time, the Fund agrees to repurchase the instrument at an agreed upon time and price, which reflects an interest payment. Such agreements have the economic effect of borrowings. The Fund may enter into such agreements when it is able to invest the cash acquired at a rate higher than the cost of the agreement, which would increase earned income. When the Fund enters into a reverse repurchase agreement, any fluctuations in the market value of either the instruments transferred to another party or the instruments in which the proceeds may be invested would affect the market value of the Fund's assets. As a result, such transactions may increase fluctuations in the market value of the Fund's assets. For the six months ended November 30, 2016, the average daily balance for which reverse repurchase agreements were outstanding amounted to \$61,468,332. The weighted average interest rate was 1.30%. As of November 30, 2016, there was \$61,902,161 in reverse repurchase agreements outstanding.

The following is a summary of the remaining contractual maturities of the reverse repurchase agreements outstanding as of November 30, 2016, aggregated by asset class of the related collateral pledged by the Fund:

|  | Overnight and Continuous | Up to 30 days | 31 – 90 days | Greater than 90 days | Total        |
|--|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Preferred Stocks   | \$–                      | \$2,570,000   | \$–          | \$ –                 | \$2,570,000  |
| Corporate Bonds  | 2,798,272                | 28,231,267    | 28,302,621   | –                    | 59,332,160   |
| Gross amount of recognized liabilities for reverse repurchase agreements | \$2,798,272              | \$30,801,267  | \$28,302,621 | \$ –                 | \$61,902,160 |

As of November 30, 2016, the Fund had outstanding reverse repurchase agreements with various counterparties. Details of the reverse repurchase agreements by counterparty are as follows:



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| Counterparty               | Interest Rates | Maturity Dates          | Face Value   |
|----------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Barclays Capital, Inc.     | 0.00% – 1.72%  | 12/01/2016 – 01/06/2017 | \$ 7,189,320 |
| Barclays Capital, Inc.     | 0.00% – 1.60%  | Open Maturity           | 1,031,063    |
| Bank of America            | 1.16% - 1.66%  | 12/06/2016 – 01/06/2017 | 11,315,019   |
| Citigroup, Inc.            | 0.00%          | Open Maturity           | 988,500      |
| Credit Suisse First Boston | 1.55% – 1.80%  | 12/01/2016 – 01/06/2017 | 10,088,826   |
| Credit Suisse First Boston | 1.15%          | Open Maturity           | 370,500      |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank        | 1.61% – 1.93%  | 01/06/2017 – 02/21/2017 | 14,007,000   |
| BNP Paribas Bank           | 1.27% – 1.62%  | 12/02/2016 – 01/24/2017 | 13,082,000   |
| BNP Paribas Bank           | 0.00%          | Open Maturity           | 408,210      |
| Royal Bank of Canada       | 1.34% - 1.61%  | 12/05/2016 – 01/24/2017 | 13,421,722   |
|                            |                |                         | \$61,902,160 |

**Borrowings**

On September 16, 2016, the Fund entered into a \$10,000,000 credit facility agreement with an approved lender whereby the lender has agreed to provide secured financing to the Fund and the Fund will provide pledged collateral to the lender. Interest on the amount borrowed is based on the 1 month LIBOR plus 1%. An unused fee of 10 basis points was charged on the difference between 60% of the amount available to borrow under the credit agreement and the actual amount borrowed. As of November 30, 2016, there was \$6,000,000 outstanding in connection with the Fund's credit facility. The average daily amount of borrowings on the credit facility during the period ended November 30, 2016, was \$4,065,789 with a related average interest rate of 1.54%. The maximum amount outstanding during the period ended November 30, 2016 was \$6,000,000. As of November 30, 2016, the total value of securities segregated and pledged as collateral in connection with borrowings was \$11,883,451.

The credit facility agreement governing the loan facility includes usual and customary covenants. These covenants impose on the Fund asset coverage requirements, collateral requirements, investment strategy requirements, and certain financial obligations. These covenants place limits or restrictions on the Fund's ability to (i) enter into additional indebtedness with a party other than the counterparty, (ii) change its fundamental investment policy, or (iii) pledge to any other party, other than to the counterparty, securities owned or held by the Fund over which the counterparty has a lien. In addition, the Fund is required to deliver financial information to the counterparty within established deadlines, maintain an asset coverage ratio (as defined in Section 18(g) of the 1940 Act) greater than 300%, comply with the rules of the stock exchange on which its shares are listed, and maintain its classification as a "closed-end management investment company" as defined in the 1940 Act.

There is no guarantee that the Fund's leverage strategy will be successful. The Fund's use of leverage may cause the Fund's NAV and market price of common shares to be more volatile and can magnify the effect of any losses.



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## Note 10 – Loan Commitments:

Pursuant to the terms of certain Term Loan agreements, the Fund held unfunded loan commitments as of November 30, 2016. The Fund is obligated to fund these loan commitments at the borrower's discretion. The Fund reserves against such contingent obligations by designating cash, liquid securities, and liquid term loans as a reserve. As of November 30, 2016, the total amount segregated in connection with reverse repurchase agreements and unfunded commitments was \$86,874,820.

As of November 30, 2016, the Fund had the following unfunded loan commitments which could be extended at the option of the borrower:

| Borrower                      | Maturity Date | Face Amount  | Value     |
|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|
| Acosta, Inc.                  | 09/26/2019    | \$ 2,000,000 | \$150,112 |
| Acisure LLC                   | 05/19/2022    | 130,986      | 379       |
| Advantage Sales and Marketing | 07/21/2019    | 540,000      | 36,821    |
| American Seafood              | 08/04/2021    | 450,000      | 48,097    |
| American Stock Transfer       | 06/11/2018    | 400,000      | 16,580    |
| Aspect Software               | 05/25/2018    | 18,333       | –         |
| BBB Industries, LLC           | 10/17/2019    | 1,100,000    | 89,176    |
| Ceva Group PLC                | 03/19/2019    | 390,000      | 36,539    |
| Eyemart Express               | 12/16/2019    | 1,000,000    | 73,925    |
| Grinding Media                | 03/03/2017    | 800,000      | –         |
| Hillman Group, Inc.           | 06/13/2019    | 900,000      | 50,622    |
| IntraWest Holdings, S.A.R     | 12/10/2018    | 1,100,000    | 17,783    |
| Learning Care Group           | 05/05/2021    | 500,000      | 38,638    |
| National Financial Partners   | 07/01/2018    | 1,500,000    | 66,768    |
| National Technical            | 06/11/2021    | 160,588      | 1,292     |
| PowerSchool, Inc.             | 07/29/2021    | 450,000      | 43,716    |
| ProMach Group, Inc.           | 10/22/2019    | 650,000      | 45,282    |
| Signode Industrial Group      | 05/01/2019    | 1,400,000    | 84,287    |
| Targus Group International    | 05/24/2016    | 383,723      | –         |
| Wencor Group                  | 06/19/2019    | 446,154      | 26,641    |
|                               |               | \$14,319,784 | \$826,658 |

## Note 11 – Capital:

## Common Shares

The Fund has an unlimited amount of common shares, \$0.01 par value, authorized and 6,695,877 issued and outstanding.

Transactions in common shares were as follows:

|   | Six Months<br>Ended<br>November 30, 2016 | Year Ended<br>May 31, 2016 |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| Beginning Shares                                    | 6,629,959                                | 6,629,724                  |
| Common shares issued through dividend reinvestment  | 2,514                                    | 235                        |
| Common shares issued through at-the-market offering | 63,404                                   | –                          |
| Ending Shares                                       | 6,695,877                                | 6,629,959                  |



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On September 7, 2016, the Fund's shelf registration allowing for delayed or continuous offering of additional shares became effective. The shelf registration statement allowed for the issuance of up to \$100,000,000 of common shares. The Fund entered into an agreement with Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. for the sale of up to an additional 2,632,734 shares. The Adviser has paid the costs associated with the at-the-market offering of shares and will be reimbursed by the Fund up to 0.60% of the offering price of common shares sold pursuant to the shelf registration statement, not to exceed the amount of actual offering costs incurred. For the six months ended November 30, 2016, the Fund incurred \$8,488 of expenses associated with the at-market offerings.

## Note 12 – Restricted Securities:

The securities below are considered illiquid and restricted under guidelines established by the Board of Trustees:

| Restricted Securities                                      | Acquisition Date | Cost         | Value        |
|--|------------------|--------------|--------------|
| EIG Investors Corp., 10.88%<br>due 02/01/24                | 08/01/16         | \$ 976,978   | \$ 1,023,000 |
| Mirabela Nickel Ltd., 9.50%<br>due 06/24/19                | 08/01/16         | 1,155,115    | 236,037      |
| Schahin II Finance Company SPV Ltd.,<br>5.88% due 09/25/22 | 01/18/14         | 783,911      | 99,028       |
| Turbine Engines Securitization Ltd.,<br>6.38% due 12/15/48 | 01/18/14         | 306,266      | 290,102      |
|  |                  | \$ 3,222,270 | \$ 1,648,167 |

## Note 13 – Subsequent Event:

The Fund evaluated subsequent events through the date the financial statements were available for issue and determined there were no additional material events that would require adjustment to or disclosure in the Fund's financial statements.

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**Federal Income Tax Information**

In January 2017, you will be advised on IRS Form 1099 DIV or substitute 1099 DIV as to the federal tax status of the distributions received by you in the calendar year 2016.

**Sector Classification**

Information in the “Schedule of Investments” is categorized by sectors using sector-level classifications used by Bloomberg Industry Classification System, a widely recognized industry classification system provider. In the Fund’s registration statement, the Fund has investment policies relating to concentration in specific industries. For purposes of these investment policies, the Fund usually classifies industries based on industry-level classifications used by widely recognized industry classification system providers such as Bloomberg Industry Classification System, Global Industry Classification Standards and Barclays Global Classification Scheme.

**Trustees**

The Trustees of the Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund and their principal occupations during the past five years:

| Name,<br>Address*<br>and Year of<br>Birth               | Position(s)<br>Held<br>with<br>Trust                        | Term of<br>Office<br>and Length<br>of Time<br>Served** | Principal Occupation(s)<br>During Past Five Years  | Number of<br>Portfolios<br>in<br>Fund<br>Complex<br>Overseen | Other Directorships<br>Held by Trustees   |
|---|---|--|--|--|---|
| Independent Trustees:<br>Randall C.<br>Barnes<br>(1951) | Trustee   | Since 2013   | Current: Private Investor<br>(2001-present).<br><br>Former: Senior Vice President and<br>Treasurer, PepsiCo, Inc. (1993-1997);<br>President, Pizza Hut International<br>(1991-1993); Senior Vice President,<br>Strategic Planning and New Business<br>Development, PepsiCo, Inc.<br>(1987-1990). | 98   | Current: Trustee, Purpose<br>Investments<br>Funds (2014-present).                               |
| Donald A. Chubb, Jr.<br>Trustee<br>(1946)               |   | Since 2014   | Current: Business broker and manager<br>of commercial real estate,<br>Griffith & Blair, Inc. (1997-present).   | 95   | Current: Midland Care,<br>Inc.<br>(2011-present).   |
| Jerry B.<br>Farley<br>(1946)                            | Trustee   | Since 2014   | Current: President, Washburn<br>University (1997-present).   | 95   | Current: Westar Energy,<br>Inc.<br>(2004-present); CoreFirst<br>Bank & Trust<br>(2000-present). |
| Roman<br>Friedrich III<br>(1946)                        | Trustee and<br>Chairman<br>of<br>the<br>Contracts<br>Review | Since 2013   | Current: Founder and Managing<br>Partner, Roman Friedrich & Company<br>(1998-present).   | 95   | Current: Zincore Metals,<br>Inc.<br>(2009-present).   |

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| Committee | Former: Senior Managing Director,<br>MLV & Co. LLC (2010-2011).` | Former: Axiom Gold and<br>Silver Corp.<br>(2011-2012). |
|-----------|--|--|

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| Name,<br>Address*<br>and Year of<br>Birth | Position(s)<br>Held<br>with<br>Trust  | Term of<br>Office<br>and<br>Length<br>of Time<br>Served** | Principal Occupation(s)<br>During Past Five Years  | Number of<br>Portfolios<br>in<br>Fund<br>Complex<br>Overseen | Other Directorships<br>Held by Trustees   |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| Independent Trustees<br>continued:        |   |   |  |  |   |
| Robert B.<br>Karn III<br>(1942)           | Trustee and<br>Chairman of<br>the Audit<br>Committee                              | Since<br>2013   | Current: Consultant<br>(1998-present).<br><br>Former: Arthur Andersen<br>(1965-1997) and Managing<br>Partner, Financial and<br>Economic Consulting, St.<br>Louis office (1987-1997).<br>Current: Partner, Momkus<br>McCluskey Roberts, LLC<br>(2016-present) | 95   | Current: Peabody Energy<br>Company (2003-present); GP Natural<br>Resource Partners, LLC (2002-<br>present).   |
| Ronald A.<br>Nyberg<br>(1953)             | Trustee and<br>Chairman of<br>the<br>Nominating<br>and<br>Governance<br>Committee | Since<br>2013   | Former: Partner, Nyberg &<br>Cassioppi, LLC<br>(2000-2016); Executive<br>Vice<br>President, General Counsel,<br>and Corporate Secretary,<br>Van Kampen Investments<br>(1982-1999).   | 100  | Current: Edward-Elmhurst Healthcare<br>System (2012-present).   |
| Maynard F.<br>Oliverius<br>(1943)         | Trustee   | Since<br>2014   | Current: Retired.<br><br>Former: President and<br>CEO, Stormont-Vail<br>HealthCare (1996-2012).  | 95   | Current: Fort Hays State<br>University Foundation (1999-present);<br>Stormont-<br>Vail Foundation<br>(2013-present); University of<br>Minnesota MHA Alumni<br>Philanthropy Committee<br>(2009-present). |
| Ronald E.<br>Toupin, Jr.<br>(1958)        | Trustee and<br>Chairman of<br>the Board   | Since<br>2013   | Current: Portfolio<br>Consultant (2010-present).<br><br>Former: Vice President,<br>Manager and Portfolio   | 97   | Former: Topeka Community<br>Foundation (2009-2014).<br>Former: Bennett Group of Funds<br>(2011-2013).   |

Manager, Nuveen Asset Management (1998-1999); Vice President, Nuveen Investment Advisory Corp. (1992-1999); Vice President and Manager, Nuveen Unit Investment Trusts (1991-1999); and Assistant Vice President and Portfolio Manager, Nuveen Unit Investment Trusts (1988-1999), each of John Nuveen & Co., Inc. (1982-1999).

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| Name, Address* and Year of Birth Interested Trustee: | Position(s) Held with Trust                    | Term of Office and Length of Time Served** | Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years   | Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen | Other Directorships Held by Trustees   |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| Donald C. Cacciapaglia***<br>(1951)                  | President, Chief Executive Officer and Trustee | Since 2013                                 | Current: President and CEO, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2012-present); Vice Chairman, Guggenheim Investments (2010-present).<br><br>Former: Chairman and CEO, Channel Capital Group, Inc. (2002-2010) | 230   | Current: Clear Spring Life Insurance Company (2015-present); Guggenheim Partners Investment Management Holdings, LLC (2014-present); Guggenheim Partners Japan, Ltd. (2014-present); Delaware Life (2013-present); Guggenheim Life and Annuity Company (2011-present); Paragon Life Insurance Company of Indiana (2011-present). |

\* The business address of each Trustee is c/o Guggenheim Investments, 227 West Monroe Street, Chicago, IL 60606.

\*\* This is the period for which the Trustee began serving the Fund. After a Trustee's initial term, each Trustee is expected to serve a three year term concurrent with the class of Trustees for which he serves:

—Messrs. Barnes, Cacciapaglia and Chubb are Class I Trustees. Class I Trustees are expected to stand for re-election at the Fund's annual meeting of shareholders for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2017.

—Messrs. Farley, Friedrich and Nyberg are Class II Trustees. Class II Trustees are expected to stand for re-election at the Fund's annual meeting of shareholders for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2018.

—Messrs. Karn, Oliverius and Toupin are Class III Trustees. Class III Trustees are expected to stand for re-election at the Fund's annual meeting of shareholders for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2019.

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This Trustee is deemed to be an "interested person" of the Funds under the 1940 Act by reason of his position with the Funds' Investment Manager and/or the parent of the Investment Manager.

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## Principal Executive Officers

The Principal Executive Officers, of the Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund, who are not trustees, and their principal occupations during the past five years:

| Name,<br>Address*<br>and Year of<br>Birth<br>Officers: | Position(s)<br>held<br>with the<br>Trust | Term of<br>Office<br>and Length<br>of<br>Time<br>Served** | Principal Occupations During Past Five Years  |
|--|--|---|---|
| William H.<br>Belden, III<br>(1965)                    | Vice<br>President                        | Since 2014  | Current: Vice President, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2006-present); Managing Director, Guggenheim Funds Investment Advisors, LLC (2005-present).<br><br>Former: Vice President of Management, Northern Trust Global Investments (1999-2005).   |
| Joanna M.<br>Catalucci<br>(1966)                       | Chief<br>Compliance<br>Officer           | Since 2013  | Current: Chief Compliance Officer, certain funds in the Fund Complex (2012-present); Senior Managing Director, Guggenheim Investments (2012-present).<br><br>Former: Chief Compliance Officer and Secretary, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2008-2012); Senior Vice President & Chief Compliance Officer, Security Investors, LLC and certain affiliates (2010-2012); Chief Compliance Officer and Senior Vice President, Rydex Advisors, LLC and certain affiliates (2010-2011). |
| James M.<br>Howley<br>(1972)                           | Assistant<br>Treasurer                   | Since 2013  | Current: Director, Guggenheim Investments (2004-present); Assistant Treasurer, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2006-present).<br><br>Former: Manager of Mutual Fund Administration, Van Kampen Investments, Inc. (1996-2004).  |
| Keith Kemp<br>(1960)                                   | Assistant<br>Treasurer                   | Since 2016  | Current: Managing Director of Transparent Value, LLC (2015-present); Managing Director of Guggenheim Investments (2015-present).<br><br>Formerly: Director, Transparent Value, LLC (2010-2015); Director, Guggenheim Investments (2010-2015); Chief Operating Officer, Macquarie Capital Investment Management (2007-2009).   |
| Amy J. Lee<br>(1961)                                   | Chief Legal<br>Officer                   | Since 2013  | Current: Chief Legal Officer, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2013-present); Senior Managing Director, Guggenheim Investments (2012-present).<br><br>Former: Vice President, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary, Security Benefit Life Insurance Company and Security   |

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| Mark E.<br>Mathiasen<br>(1978) | Secretary              | Since 2013 | Benefit Corporation (2004-2012).<br>Current: Secretary, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2007-present); Managing Director, Guggenheim Investments (2007-present). |
| Glenn<br>McWhinnie<br>(1969)   | Assistant<br>Treasurer | Since 2016 | Current: Vice President, Guggenheim Investments (2009-present).<br><br>Former: Tax Compliance Manager, Ernst & Young LLP (1996-2009).                                     |

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| Name,<br>Address*<br>and Year of<br>Birth                 | Position(s)<br>held<br>with the<br>Trust                             | Term of<br>Office<br>and Length<br>of<br>Time<br>Served** | Principal Occupations During Past Five Years   |
|---|--|---|--|
| Officers<br>continued:<br>Michael P.<br>Megaris<br>(1984) | Assistant<br>Secretary   | Since 2014  | Current: Assistant Secretary, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2014-present); Vice President, Guggenheim Investments (2012-present).<br><br>Former: J.D., University of Kansas School of Law (2009-2012).  |
| Adam J.<br>Nelson<br>(1979)                               | Assistant<br>Treasurer   | Since 2015  | Current: Vice President, Guggenheim Investments (2015-present); Assistant Treasurer, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2015-present).<br><br>Former: Assistant Vice President and Fund Administration Director, State Street Corporation (2013-2015); Fund Administration Assistant Director, State Street (2011-2013); Fund Administration Manager, State Street (2009-2011).  |
| Kimberly J.<br>Scott<br>(1974)                            | Assistant<br>Treasurer   | Since 2013  | Current: Vice President, Guggenheim Investments (2012-present); Assistant Treasurer, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2012-present).<br><br>Former: Financial Reporting Manager, Invesco, Ltd. (2010-2011); Vice President/Assistant Treasurer of Mutual Fund Administration, Van Kampen Investments, Inc./Morgan Stanley Investment Management (2009-2010); Manager of Mutual Fund Administration, Van Kampen Investments, Inc./Morgan Stanley Investment Management (2005-2009). |
| Bryan Stone<br>(1979)                                     | Vice<br>President  | Since 2014  | Current: Vice President, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2014-present); Managing Director, Guggenheim Investments (2013-present).<br><br>Former: Senior Vice President, Neuberger Berman Group LLC (2009-2013); Vice President, Morgan Stanley (2002-2009).   |
| John L.<br>Sullivan<br>(1955)                             | Chief<br>Financial<br>Officer,<br>Chief<br>Accounting<br>Officer and | Since 2013  | Current: CFO, Chief Accounting Officer and Treasurer, certain other funds in the Fund Complex (2010-present); Senior Managing Director, Guggenheim Investments (2010-present).<br><br>Former: Managing Director and CCO, each of the funds in the Van Kampen Investments fund complex (2004-2010); Managing Director and Head of Fund Accounting and Administration, Morgan Stanley Investment Management (2002-2004); CFO and Treasurer, Van Kampen Funds (1996-2004).                    |

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Treasurer

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\*\* Each officer serves an indefinite term, until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified. The data reflects the commencement date upon which the officer held any officer position with the Fund.

DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT PLAN (Unaudited) November 30, 2016

Unless the registered owner of common shares elects to receive cash by contacting the Computershare Trust Company, N.A. (the “Plan Administrator”), all dividends declared on common shares of the Fund will be automatically reinvested by the Plan Administrator, Administrator for shareholders in the Fund’s Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the “Plan”), in additional common shares of the Fund. Participation in the Plan is completely voluntary and may be terminated or resumed at any time without penalty by notice if received and processed by the Plan Administrator prior to the dividend record date; otherwise such termination or resumption will be effective with respect to any subsequently declared dividend or other distribution. Some brokers may automatically elect to receive cash on your behalf and may re-invest that cash in additional common shares of the Fund for you. If you wish for all dividends declared on your common shares of the Fund to be automatically reinvested pursuant to the Plan, please contact your broker.

The Plan Administrator will open an account for each common shareholder under the Plan in the same name in which such common shareholder’s common shares are registered. Whenever the Fund declares a dividend or other distribution (together, a “Dividend”) payable in cash, nonparticipants in the Plan will receive cash and participants in the Plan will receive the equivalent in common shares. The common shares will be acquired by the Plan Administrator for the participants’ accounts, depending upon the circumstances described below, either (i) through receipt of additional unissued but authorized common shares from the Fund (“Newly Issued Common Shares”) or (ii) by purchase of outstanding common shares on the open market (“Open-Market Purchases”) on the New York Stock Exchange or elsewhere. If, on the payment date for any Dividend, the closing market price plus estimated brokerage commission per common share is equal to or greater than the net asset value per common share, the Plan Administrator will invest the Dividend amount in Newly Issued Common Shares on behalf of the participants. The number of Newly Issued Common Shares to be credited to each participant’s account will be determined by dividing the dollar amount of the Dividend by the net asset value per common share on the payment date; provided that, if the net asset value is less than or equal to 95% of the closing market value on the payment date, the dollar amount of the Dividend will be divided by 95% of the closing market price per common share on the payment date. If, on the payment date for any Dividend, the net asset value per common share is greater than the closing market value plus estimated brokerage commission, the Plan Administrator will invest the Dividend amount in common shares acquired on behalf of the participants in Open-Market Purchases.

If, before the Plan Administrator has completed its Open-Market Purchases, the market price per common share exceeds the net asset value per common share, the average per common share purchase price paid by the Plan Administrator may exceed the net asset value of the common shares, resulting in the acquisition of fewer common shares than if the Dividend had been paid in Newly Issued Common Shares on the Dividend payment date. Because of the foregoing difficulty with respect to Open-Market Purchases, the Plan provides that if the Plan Administrator is unable to invest the full Dividend amount in Open-Market Purchases during the purchase period or if the market discount shifts to a market premium during the purchase period, the Plan Administrator may cease making Open-Market Purchases and may invest the uninvested portion of the Dividend amount in Newly Issued Common Shares at net asset value per common share at the close of business on the Last Purchase Date provided that, if the net asset value is less than or equal to 95% of the then current market price per common share; the dollar amount of the Dividend will be divided by 95% of the market price on the payment date.

**DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT PLAN (Unaudited) continued** November 30, 2016

The Plan Administrator maintains all shareholders' accounts in the Plan and furnishes written confirmation of all transactions in the accounts, including information needed by shareholders for tax records. Common shares in the account of each Plan participant will be held by the Plan Administrator on behalf of the Plan participant, and each shareholder proxy will include those shares purchased or received pursuant to the Plan. The Plan Administrator will forward all proxy solicitation materials to participants and vote proxies for shares held under the Plan in accordance with the instruction of the participants.

There will be no brokerage charges with respect to common shares issued directly by the Fund. However, each participant will pay a pro rata share of brokerage commission incurred in connection with Open-Market Purchases. The automatic reinvestment of Dividends will not relieve participants of any Federal, state or local income tax that may be payable (or required to be withheld) on such Dividends.

The Fund reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plan. There is no direct service charge to participants with regard to purchases in the Plan; however, the Fund reserves the right to amend the Plan to include a service charge payable by the participants.

All correspondence or questions concerning the Plan should be directed to the Plan Administrator, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., P.O. Box 30170 College Station, TX 77842-3170; Attention: Shareholder Services Department, Phone Number: (866) 488-3559 or online at [www.computershare.com/investor](http://www.computershare.com/investor).

FUND INFORMATION November 30, 2016

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\* Trustee is an “interested person” (as defined in section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act) (“Interested Trustee”) of the Trust because of his position as the President and CEO of the Investment Adviser and Distributor.

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#### Privacy Principles of the Fund

The Fund is committed to maintaining the privacy of its shareholders and to safeguarding their non-public personal information. The following information is provided to help you understand what personal information the Fund collects, how the Fund protects that information and why, in certain cases, the Fund may share information with select other parties.

Generally, the Fund does not receive any non-public personal information relating to its shareholders, although certain non-public personal information of its shareholders may become available to the Fund. The Fund does not disclose any non-public personal information about its shareholders or former shareholders to anyone, except as permitted by law or as is necessary in order to service shareholder accounts (for example, to a transfer agent or third party administrator).

The Fund restricts access to non-public personal information about its shareholders to employees of the Fund's investment advisor and its affiliates with a legitimate business need for the information. The Fund maintains physical, electronic and procedural safeguards designed to protect the non-public personal information of its shareholders.

Questions concerning your shares of Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund?

· If your shares are held in a Brokerage Account, contact your Broker.

If you have physical possession of your shares in certificate form, contact the Fund's Transfer Agent:

· Computershare Trust Company N.A., P.O. Box 30170 College Station, TX 77842-3170; (866) 488-3559 or online at [www.computershare.com/investor](http://www.computershare.com/investor).

This report is sent to shareholders of Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund for their information. It is not a Prospectus, circular or representation intended for use in the purchase or sale of shares of the Fund or of any securities mentioned in this report.

A description of the Fund's proxy voting policies and procedures related to portfolio securities is available without charge, upon request, by calling the Fund at (800) 345-7999.

Information regarding how the Fund voted proxies for portfolio securities, if applicable, during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30, is also available, without charge and upon request by calling (800) 345-7999, by visiting the Fund's website at [guggenheiminvestments.com/ggm](http://guggenheiminvestments.com/ggm) or by accessing the Fund's Form N-PX on the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The Fund's Form N-Q is available on the SEC website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) or by visiting the Fund's website at [guggenheiminvestments.com/ggm](http://guggenheiminvestments.com/ggm). The Fund's Form N-Q may also be viewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC; information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling (800) SEC-0330 or at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

#### Notice to Shareholders

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, that the Fund from time to time may purchase shares of its common stock in the open market.

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ABOUT THE FUND MANAGERS

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Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC

Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC (“GPIM”) is an indirect subsidiary of Guggenheim Partners, LLC, a diversified financial services firm. The firm provides capital markets services, portfolio and risk management expertise, wealth management, and investment advisory services. Clients of Guggenheim Partners, LLC subsidiaries are an elite mix of individuals, family offices, endowments, foundations, insurance companies and other institutions.

Investment Philosophy

GPIM’s investment philosophy is predicated upon the belief that thorough research and independent thought are rewarded with performance that has the potential to outperform benchmark indexes with both lower volatility and lower correlation of returns over time as compared to such benchmark indexes.

Investment Process

GPIM’s investment process is a collaborative effort between various groups including the Portfolio Construction Group, which utilize proprietary portfolio construction and risk modeling tools to determine allocation of assets among a variety of sectors, and its Sector Specialists, who are responsible for security selection within these sectors and for implementing securities transactions, including the structuring of certain securities directly with the issuers or with investment banks and dealers involved in the origination of such securities.

Guggenheim Funds Distributors, LLC

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Item 2. Code of Ethics.

Not applicable for a semi-annual reporting period.

Item 3. Audit Committee Financial Expert.

Not applicable for a semi-annual reporting period.

Item 4. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

Not applicable for a semi-annual reporting period.

Item 5. Audit Committee of Listed Registrants.

Not applicable for a semi-annual reporting period.

Item 6. Schedule of Investments.

The Schedule of Investments is included as part of Item 1.

Item 7. Disclosure of Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures for Closed-End Management Investment Companies.

Not applicable for a semi-annual reporting period.

Item 8. Portfolio Managers of Closed-End Management Investment Companies.

(a) Not applicable for a semi-annual reporting period.

(b) As of January 30, 2017, Thomas Hauser and Richard de Wet have been added as Portfolio Managers of the registrant. Please see the information below as required by paragraphs (a)(1) - (a)(4) of this Item 8 as of November 30, 2016 for each of Thomas Hauser and Richard de Wet.

(a)(1) Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC (“Guggenheim”) serves as the investment sub-adviser for the registrant and is responsible for the day-to-day management of the registrant’s portfolio. Guggenheim uses a team approach to manage client portfolios. Day to day management of a client portfolio is conducted under the auspices of Guggenheim’s Portfolio Construction Group (“PCG”). PCG’s members include the Chief Investment Officer (“CIO”) and other key investment personnel. The PCG, in consultation with the CIO, provides direction for overall investment strategy. The PCG performs several duties as it relates to client portfolios including: determining both tactical and strategic asset allocations; and monitoring portfolio adherence to asset allocation targets; providing sector specialists with direction for overall investment strategy, which may include portfolio design and the rebalancing of portfolios; performing risk management oversight; assisting sector managers and research staff in determining the relative valuation of market sectors; and providing a forum for the regular discussion of the economy and the financial markets to enhance the robustness of Guggenheim’s strategic and tactical policy directives.

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Thomas Hauser and Richard de Wet share primary responsibility for the day-to-day management of the registrant's portfolio and their information is provided as of November 30, 2016:

| <u>Name</u>   | <u>Since</u> | <u>Professional Experience During the Last Five Years</u>   |
|---------------|--------------|---|
| Thomas Hauser | 2017         | Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC: Managing Director – 2012 – Present.   |
| Richard deWet | 2017         | Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC: Vice President and Portfolio Manager – 2015 – Present; Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC, Associate Portfolio Manager – 2013-2015; Pacific Investment Management Company, 2009 – 2013. |

(a)(2)(i-iii) Other Accounts Managed by the Portfolio Managers

The following table summarizes information regarding each of the other accounts managed by Thomas Hauser and Richard de Wet as of November 30, 2016:

Thomas Hauser:

| Type of Account                  | Number of Accounts | Total Assets in the Accounts | Number of Accounts In Which the Advisory Fee is Based on Performance | Total Assets in the Accounts In Which the Advisory Fee is Based on Performance |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Registered investment companies  | 6                  | \$3,103,133,561              | 2  | \$256,708,208  |
| Other pooled investment vehicles | 43                 | \$13,248,625,162             | 21   | \$6,286,819,170  |
| Other accounts                   | 43                 | \$9,463,834,286              | 3  | \$808,667,234  |

Richard de Wet:

| Type of Account                 | Number of Accounts | Total Assets in the Accounts | Number of Accounts In Which the Advisory Fee is Based on Performance | Total Assets in the Accounts In Which the Advisory Fee is Based on Performance |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Registered investment companies | 1                  | 117,522,758                  | 0  | \$0  |

|                                  |    |                 |   |               |
|----------------------------------|----|-----------------|---|---------------|
| Other pooled investment vehicles | 7  | \$1,917,701,933 | 0 | \$0           |
| Other accounts                   | 23 | \$5,401,390,622 | 1 | \$268,586,855 |

(a)(2)(iv) Potential Conflicts of Interest

Actual or apparent conflicts of interest may arise when a portfolio manager has day-to-day management responsibilities with respect to more than one fund or other account. More specifically, portfolio managers who manage multiple funds and/or other accounts may be presented with one or more of the following potential conflicts.

The management of multiple funds and/or other accounts may result in a portfolio manager devoting unequal time and attention to the management of each fund and/or other account. Guggenheim seeks to manage such competing interests for the time and attention of a portfolio manager by having the portfolio manager focus on a particular investment discipline. Specifically, the ultimate decision maker for security selection for each client portfolio is the Sector Specialist Portfolio Manager. They are responsible for analyzing and selecting specific securities that they believe best reflect the risk and return level as provided in each client's investment guidelines.

Guggenheim may have clients with similar investment strategies. As a result, if an investment opportunity would be appropriate for more than one client, Guggenheim may be required to choose among those clients in allocating such opportunity, or to allocate less of such opportunity to a client than it would ideally allocate if it did not have to allocate to multiple clients. In addition, Guggenheim may determine that an investment opportunity is appropriate for a particular account, but not for another.

Allocation decisions are made in accordance with the investment objectives, guidelines, and restrictions governing the respective clients and in a manner that will not unfairly favor one client over another. Guggenheim's allocation policy provides that investment decisions must never be based upon account performance or fee structure. Accordingly, Guggenheim's allocation procedures are designed to ensure that investment opportunities are allocated equitably among different client accounts over time. The procedures also seek to ensure reasonable efficiency in client transactions and to provide portfolio managers with flexibility to use allocation methodologies appropriate to Guggenheim's investment disciplines and the specific goals and objectives of each client account.

In order to minimize execution costs and obtain best execution for clients, trades in the same security transacted on behalf of more than one client may be aggregated. In the event trades are aggregated, Guggenheim's policy and procedures provide as follows: (i) treat all participating client accounts fairly; (ii) continue to seek best execution; (iii) ensure that clients who participate in an aggregated order will participate at the average share price with all transaction costs shared on a pro-rata basis based on each client's participation in the transaction; (iv) disclose its aggregation policy to clients.

Guggenheim, as a fiduciary to its clients, considers numerous factors in arranging for the purchase and sale of clients' portfolio securities in order to achieve best execution for its clients. When selecting a broker, individuals making trades on behalf of Guggenheim clients consider the full range and quality of a broker's services, including execution capability, commission rate, price,



financial stability and reliability. Guggenheim is not obliged to merely get the lowest price or commission but also must determine whether the transaction represents the best qualitative execution for the account.

In the event that multiple broker/dealers make a market in a particular security, Guggenheim's Portfolio Managers are responsible for selecting the broker-dealer to use with respect to executing the transaction. The broker-dealer will be selected on the basis of how the transaction can be executed to achieve the most favorable execution for the client under the circumstances. In many instances, there may only be one counter-party active in a particular security at a given time. In such situations the Employee executing the trade will use his/her best effort to obtain the best execution from the counter-party.

Guggenheim and the registrant have adopted certain compliance procedures which are designed to address these types of conflicts. However, there is no guarantee that such procedures will detect each and every situation in which a conflict arises.

(a)(3) Portfolio Manager Compensation

Guggenheim compensates portfolio management staff for their management of the registrant's portfolio. Compensation is evaluated based on their contribution to investment performance relative to pertinent benchmarks and qualitatively based on factors such as teamwork and client service efforts. Guggenheim's staff incentives may include: a competitive base salary, bonus determined by individual and firm wide performance, equity participation, and participation opportunities in various Guggenheim investments. All Guggenheim employees are also eligible to participate in a 401(k) plan to which Guggenheim may make a discretionary match after the completion of each plan year.

(a)(4) Portfolio Securities Ownership

The following table discloses the dollar range of equity securities of the registrant beneficially owned by Thomas Hauser and Richard de Wet as of November 30, 2016:

| Name of Portfolio Manager | Dollar Amount of Equity Securities in Registrant |
|---------------------------|--|
| Thomas Hauser             | \$-0-  |
| Richard de Wet            | \$-0-  |

Item 9. Purchases of Equity Securities by Closed-End Management Investment Company and Affiliated Purchasers. None.

Item 10. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

The registrant has not made any material changes to the procedures by which shareholders may recommend nominees to the registrant's Board of Trustees.

Item 11. Controls and Procedures.

(a) The registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have evaluated the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act) as of a date within 90 days of this filing and have concluded based on such

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evaluation, as required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the Investment Company Act, that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures were effective, as of that date, in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by the registrant in this Form N-CSR was recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

(b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the Investment Company Act) that occurred during the registrant's second fiscal quarter of the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 12. Exhibits.

(a)(1) Not applicable.

(a)(2) Certifications of principal executive officer and principal financial officer pursuant to Rule 30a-2(a) of the Investment Company Act.

(a)(3) Not applicable.

(b) Certifications of principal executive officer and principal financial officer pursuant to Rule 30a-2(b) under the Investment Company Act and Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Guggenheim Credit Allocation Fund

By: /s/ Donald C. Cacciapaglia  
Name: Donald C. Cacciapaglia  
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer  
Date: February 6, 2017

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ Donald C. Cacciapaglia  
Name: Donald C. Cacciapaglia  
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer  
Date: February 6, 2017

By: /s/ John L. Sullivan  
Name: John L. Sullivan  
Title: Chief Financial Officer, Chief Accounting Officer and Treasurer  
Date: February 6, 2017