

Capital Group Core Balanced ETF (CGBL)

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for the six months ended June 30, 2026

Common stocks 59.97%

	Shares	Value (000)
Information technology 19.54%		
Broadcom, Inc.	840,538	\$ 317,513
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd. (ADR)	495,420	236,598
Micron Technology, Inc.	140,782	162,503
Apple, Inc.	476,764	137,956
Microsoft Corp.	351,305	131,044
NVIDIA Corp.	417,975	83,633
KLA Corp.	242,089	73,041
Intel Corp. ^(a)	449,464	62,759
ASML Holding NV (ADR)	20,452	40,688
Quantinuum, Inc., Class A ^(a)	400,826	32,763
International Business Machines Corp.	101,755	28,614
Hewlett Packard Enterprise Co.	502,455	22,666
Applied Materials, Inc.	25,586	18,499
Amphenol Corp., Class A	97,730	17,232
Cerebras Systems, Inc., Class A ^(a)	3,900	862
		<u>1,366,371</u>

Industrials 8.62%

GE Vernova, Inc.	72,903	85,651
ATI, Inc. ^(a)	432,049	85,157
Boeing Co. (The) ^(a)	346,480	75,002
Deere & Co.	97,474	61,831
Union Pacific Corp.	202,822	55,168
TransDigm Group, Inc.	37,432	49,861
Caterpillar, Inc.	36,892	39,286
General Electric Co.	96,200	35,953
Quanta Services, Inc.	42,017	30,254
United Rentals, Inc.	26,617	30,154
Safran SA	54,133	21,339
L3Harris Technologies, Inc.	65,096	18,916
FTAI Aviation, Ltd.	52,207	14,123
		<u>602,695</u>

Financials 7.36%

Bank of America Corp.	1,170,079	66,671
Visa, Inc., Class A	188,288	64,600
Aon PLC, Class A	177,446	58,857
Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.	197,891	45,430
Fiserv, Inc. ^(a)	920,006	45,126
Capital One Financial Corp.	213,080	42,748
Apollo Asset Management, Inc.	354,378	41,926
Mastercard, Inc., Class A	69,298	35,591
Ares Management Corp., Class A	293,467	32,666
Wells Fargo & Co.	360,573	29,798
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	81,962	26,829
Brown & Brown, Inc.	380,264	24,394
		<u>514,636</u>

Health care 5.51%

Vertex Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ^(a)	166,612	82,761
Gilead Sciences, Inc.	405,596	51,243
Eli Lilly and Co.	42,040	50,424
UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	106,867	44,417
Amgen, Inc.	101,295	36,681
Alnylam Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ^(a)	119,517	35,978
CVS Health Corp.	325,397	33,663
Illumina, Inc. ^(a)	167,430	29,439
Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	41,674	20,894
		<u>385,500</u>

Common stocks (continued)

	Shares	Value (000)
Consumer discretionary 5.28%		
Booking Holdings, Inc.	431,228	\$ 76,862
Amazon.com, Inc. ^(a)	236,911	56,465
Royal Caribbean Cruises, Ltd.	120,396	38,229
Home Depot, Inc.	99,012	34,920
D.R. Horton, Inc.	205,870	33,532
Compagnie Financiere Richemont SA, Class A	137,180	31,672
Darden Restaurants, Inc.	144,364	29,741
Starbucks Corp.	253,227	25,877
Carnival Corp., Ltd.	894,748	25,563
NIKE, Inc., Class B	390,403	16,026
		<u>368,887</u>
Communication services 4.62%		
Alphabet, Inc., Class C	549,448	194,137
Meta Platforms, Inc., Class A	137,026	77,185
Comcast Corp., Class A	1,859,993	45,663
Space Exploration Technologies Corp., Class A ^(a)	37,152	6,348
		<u>323,333</u>
Materials 4.00%		
Wheaton Precious Metals Corp.	645,165	72,465
Royal Gold, Inc.	336,500	67,169
Franco-Nevada Corp.	299,637	62,522
Lundin Mining Corp.	1,879,653	45,803
First Quantum Minerals, Ltd. ^(a)	1,148,522	31,372
		<u>279,331</u>
Consumer staples 2.37%		
Philip Morris International, Inc.	792,378	143,349
Costco Wholesale Corp.	23,681	22,153
		<u>165,502</u>
Utilities 1.66%		
Southern Co. (The)	705,365	67,510
DTE Energy Co.	316,768	48,266
		<u>115,776</u>
Energy 1.01%		
Canadian Natural Resources, Ltd.	985,026	38,977
ConocoPhillips	307,730	31,992
		<u>70,969</u>
Total common stocks (cost: \$3,510,769,000)		<u>4,193,000</u>

Investment funds 38.92%

Capital Group Core Plus Income ETF ^(b)	73,008,211	1,627,353
Capital Group Core Bond ETF ^(b)	41,774,058	1,093,645
Total Investment funds (cost: \$2,741,631,000)		<u>2,720,998</u>

Short-term securities 0.85%

	Shares	Value (000)
Money market investments 0.85%		
Capital Group Central Cash Fund 3.70% ^{(b)(c)}	595,830	\$ 59,577
Total short-term securities (cost: \$59,575,000)		<u>59,577</u>
Total investment securities 99.74% (cost: \$6,311,975,000)		6,973,575
Other assets less liabilities 0.26%		<u>17,924</u>
Net assets 100.00%		<u><u>\$6,991,499</u></u>

Investments in affiliates ^(b)

	Value at 1/1/2026 (000)	Additions (000)	Reductions (000)	Net realized gain (loss) (000)	Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) (000)	Value at 6/30/2026 (000)	Dividend or interest income (000)
Investment funds 38.92%							
Capital Group Core Plus Income ETF	\$934,207	\$718,973	\$ 5,492	\$ 89	\$(20,424)	\$1,627,353	\$29,331
Capital Group Core Bond ETF	627,122	481,536	3,692	91	(11,412)	1,093,645	16,135
						<u>2,720,998</u>	
Short-term securities 0.85%							
Money market investments 0.85%							
Capital Group Central Cash Fund 3.70% ^(c)	51,147	786,987	778,551	5	(11)	59,577	1,396
Total 39.77%				<u>\$185</u>	<u>\$(31,847)</u>	<u>\$2,780,575</u>	<u>\$46,862</u>

^(a) Non-income producing.

^(b) Affiliate of the fund or part of the same "group of investment companies" as the fund, as defined under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

^(c) Rate represents the seven-day yield at 6/30/2026.

Key to abbreviation(s)

ADR = American Depositary Receipts

Refer to the notes to financial statements.

Financial statements

Statement of assets and liabilities at June 30, 2026

unaudited

(dollars and shares in thousands, except per-share amount)

Assets:		
Investment securities, at value:		
Unaffiliated issuers (cost: \$3,510,769)	\$4,193,000	
Affiliated issuers (cost: \$2,801,206)	<u>2,780,575</u>	\$6,973,575
Cash		10,821
Cash denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars (cost: \$—*)		—*
Receivables for:		
Sales of investments	91,865	
Dividends	<u>3,078</u>	<u>94,943</u>
		<u>7,079,339</u>
Liabilities:		
Payables for:		
Purchases of investments	56,506	
Dividends on fund's shares	30,097	
Investment advisory services	<u>1,237</u>	<u>87,840</u>
Net assets at June 30, 2026		<u><u>\$6,991,499</u></u>
Net assets consist of:		
Capital paid in on shares of beneficial interest		\$6,275,047
Total distributable earnings (accumulated loss)		<u>716,452</u>
Net assets at June 30, 2026		<u><u>\$6,991,499</u></u>
Shares of beneficial interest issued and outstanding (no stated par value) – unlimited shares authorized		
Net assets		\$6,991,499
Shares outstanding		184,204
Net asset value per share		\$37.96

*Amount less than one thousand.

Refer to the notes to financial statements.

Financial statements (continued)

Statement of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2026

unaudited

(dollars in thousands)

Investment income:

Income:

Dividends (net of non-U.S. taxes of \$489; also includes \$46,862 from affiliates)

\$ 66,720

Securities lending income

11

\$ 66,733

Fees and expenses:

Investment advisory services

6,284

Other

59

6,343

Net investment income

60,390

Net realized gain (loss) and unrealized appreciation (depreciation):

Net realized gain (loss) on:

Investments in:

Unaffiliated issuers

(96,023)

Affiliated issuers

185

In-kind redemptions

225,370

Currency transactions

(12)

129,520

Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:

Investments in:

Unaffiliated issuers

318,510

Affiliated issuers

(31,847)

Currency translations

(1)

286,662

Net realized gain (loss) and unrealized appreciation (depreciation)

416,182

Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations

\$476,572

Refer to the notes to financial statements.

Financial statements (continued)

Statements of changes in net assets

(dollars in thousands)

	Six months ended June 30, 2026*	Year ended December 31, 2025
Operations:		
Net investment income	\$ 60,390	\$ 66,827
Net realized gain (loss)	129,520	34,714
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	286,662	301,457
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	476,572	402,998
Distributions paid to shareholders	(49,989)	(66,367)
Net capital share transactions	2,148,180	2,693,855
Net assets:		
Beginning of period	4,416,736	1,386,250
End of period	<u>\$6,991,499</u>	<u>\$4,416,736</u>

*Unaudited.

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1. Organization

Capital Group Core Balanced ETF (the “fund”) operates as an exchange-traded fund and is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, as an open-end management investment company. The fund’s shares are listed and traded on NYSE Arca, Inc. under ticker symbol CGBL. The fund seeks to provide a balanced approach to total return (including income and capital gains) that is consistent with the preservation of capital over the long-term.

2. Significant accounting policies

The fund is an investment company that applies the accounting and reporting guidance issued in Topic 946 by the U.S. Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”). The fund’s financial statements have been prepared to comply with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (“U.S. GAAP”). These principles require the fund’s investment adviser to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Subsequent events, if any, have been evaluated through the date of issuance in the preparation of the financial statements. The fund follows the significant accounting policies described in this section, as well as the valuation policies described in the next section on valuation.

Operating segments – The fund represents a single operating segment as the operating results of the fund are monitored as a whole and its long-term asset allocation is determined in accordance with the terms of its prospectus, based on defined investment objectives that are executed by the fund’s portfolio management team. A senior executive team comprised of the fund’s Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, serves as the fund’s chief operating decision maker (“CODM”), who act in accordance with Board of Trustees reviews and approvals. The CODM uses financial information, such as changes in net assets from operations, changes in net assets from fund share transactions, and income and expense ratios, consistent with that presented within the accompanying financial statements and financial highlights to assess the fund’s profits and losses and to make resource allocation decisions. Segment assets are reflected in the statement of assets and liabilities as net assets, which consists primarily of investment securities, at value, and significant segment expenses are listed in the accompanying statement of operations.

Security transactions and related investment income – Security transactions are recorded by the fund as of the date the trades are executed with brokers. Realized gains and losses from security transactions are determined based on the specific identified cost of the securities. In the event a security is purchased with a delayed payment date, the fund will segregate liquid assets sufficient to meet its payment obligations. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest income is recognized on an accrual basis. Market discounts, premiums and original issue discounts on fixed-income securities are amortized daily over the expected life of the security.

Distributions paid to shareholders – Income dividends and capital gain distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Currency translation – Assets and liabilities, including investment securities, denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rates supplied by one or more pricing vendors on the valuation date. Purchases and sales of investment securities and income and expenses are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rates on the dates of such transactions. The effects of changes in exchange rates on investment securities are included with the net realized gain or loss and net unrealized appreciation or depreciation on investments in the fund’s statement of operations. The realized gain or loss and unrealized appreciation or depreciation resulting from all other transactions denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars are disclosed separately.

3. Valuation

Capital Research and Management Company (“CRMC”), the fund’s investment adviser, values the fund’s investments at fair value as defined by U.S. GAAP. The net asset value of the fund is calculated once daily as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange, normally 4 p.m. New York time, each day the New York Stock Exchange is open.

Methods and inputs – The fund’s investment adviser uses the following methods and inputs to establish the fair value of the fund’s assets and liabilities. Use of particular methods and inputs may vary over time based on availability and relevance as market and economic conditions evolve.

Equity securities, including depositary receipts, are generally valued at the official closing price of, or the last reported sale price on, the exchange or market on which such securities are traded, as of the close of business on the day the securities are being valued or, lacking any sales, at the last available bid price. Prices for each security are taken from the principal exchange or market on which the security trades.

Fixed-income securities, including short-term securities, are generally valued at evaluated prices obtained from third-party pricing vendors. Vendors value such securities based on one or more of the inputs described in the following table. The table provides examples of inputs that are commonly relevant for valuing particular classes of fixed-income securities in which the fund is authorized to invest. However, these classifications are not exclusive, and any of the inputs may be used to value any other class of fixed-income security.

Fixed-income class	Examples of standard inputs
All	Benchmark yields, transactions, bids, offers, quotations from dealers and trading systems, new issues, spreads and other relationships observed in the markets among comparable securities; and proprietary pricing models such as yield measures calculated using factors such as cash flows, financial or collateral performance and other reference data (collectively referred to as "standard inputs")
Corporate bonds, notes & loans; convertible securities	Standard inputs and underlying equity of the issuer
Bonds & notes of governments & government agencies	Standard inputs and interest rate volatilities
Mortgage-backed; asset-backed obligations	Standard inputs and cash flows, prepayment information, default rates, delinquency and loss assumptions, collateral characteristics, credit enhancements and specific deal information

Securities with both fixed-income and equity characteristics, or equity securities traded principally among fixed-income dealers, are generally valued in the manner described for either equity or fixed-income securities, depending on which method is deemed most appropriate by the fund's investment adviser. The Capital Group Central Cash Fund ("CCF"), a fund within the Capital Group Central Fund Series ("Central Funds"), is valued based upon a floating net asset value, which fluctuates with changes in the value of CCF's portfolio securities. The underlying securities are valued based on the policies and procedures in CCF's statement of additional information. The net asset value of each underlying fund is calculated based on the policies and procedures of the underlying fund contained in each underlying fund's statement of additional information. ETFs are generally valued at market prices which are based on the official closing price of, or the last reported sale price on, the principal exchange on which such underlying funds are traded, as of the close of business on the day the ETF is being valued or, lacking any sales, at the last available bid price.

Securities and other assets for which representative market quotations are not readily available or are considered unreliable by the fund's investment adviser are fair valued as determined in good faith under fair valuation guidelines adopted by the fund's investment adviser and approved by the board of trustees as further described. The investment adviser follows fair valuation guidelines, consistent with U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission rules and guidance, to consider relevant principles and factors when making fair value determinations. The investment adviser considers relevant indications of value that are reasonably and timely available to it in determining the fair value to be assigned to a particular security, such as the type and cost of the security, restrictions on resale of the security, relevant financial or business developments of the issuer, actively traded similar or related securities, dealer or broker quotes, conversion or exchange rights on the security, related corporate actions, significant events occurring after the close of trading in the security, and changes in overall market conditions. In addition, the closing prices of equity securities that trade in markets outside U.S. time zones may be adjusted to reflect significant events that occur after the close of local trading but before the net asset value of the fund is determined. Fair valuations of investments that are not actively trading involve judgment and may differ materially from valuations that would have been used had greater market activity occurred.

Processes and structure – The fund's board of trustees has designated the fund's investment adviser to make fair value determinations, subject to board oversight. The investment adviser has established a Joint Fair Valuation Committee (the "Committee") to administer, implement and oversee the fair valuation process and to make fair value decisions. The Committee regularly reviews its own fair value decisions, as well as decisions made under its standing instructions to the investment adviser's valuation team. The Committee reviews changes in fair value measurements from period to period, pricing vendor information and market data, and may, as deemed appropriate, update the fair valuation guidelines to better reflect the results of back testing and address new or evolving issues. Pricing decisions, processes and controls over security valuation are also subject to additional internal reviews facilitated by the investment adviser's global risk management group. The Committee reports changes to the fair valuation guidelines to the board of trustees. The fund's board and audit committee also regularly review reports that describe fair value determinations and methods.

Classifications – The fund’s investment adviser classifies the fund’s assets and liabilities into three levels based on the inputs used to value the assets or liabilities. Level 1 values are based on quoted prices in active markets for identical securities. Level 2 values are based on significant observable market inputs, such as quoted prices for similar securities and quoted prices in inactive markets. Certain securities trading outside the U.S. may transfer between Level 1 and Level 2 due to valuation adjustments resulting from significant market movements following the close of local trading. Level 3 values are based on significant unobservable inputs that reflect the investment adviser’s determination of assumptions that market participants might reasonably use in valuing the securities. The valuation levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with the underlying investment. For example, U.S. government securities are reflected as Level 2 because the inputs used to determine fair value may not always be quoted prices in an active market. At June 30, 2026, all of the fund’s investment securities were classified as Level 1.

4. Risk factors

Investing in the fund may involve certain risks including, but not limited to, those described below.

Market conditions – The prices of, and the income generated by, the common stocks and other securities held by the fund may decline due to various factors, including events or conditions affecting the general economy or particular industries or companies; overall market changes; local, regional or global political, social or economic instability; governmental, governmental agency or central bank responses to economic conditions; levels of public debt and deficits; changes in inflation rates; and currency exchange rate, interest rate and commodity price fluctuations.

Economies and financial markets throughout the world are highly interconnected. Events (including public health emergencies, such as the spread of infectious disease), bank failures and other circumstances in one country or region could have impacts on global economies or markets. As a result, whether or not the fund invests in securities of issuers located in or with significant exposure to the countries affected, the value and liquidity of the fund’s investments may be negatively affected by developments in other countries and regions.

Issuer risks – The prices of, and the income generated by, securities held by the fund may decline in response to various factors directly related to the issuers of such securities, including reduced demand for an issuer’s goods or services, poor management performance, major litigation, investigations or other controversies related to the issuer, changes in the issuer’s financial condition or credit rating, changes in government regulations affecting the issuer or its competitive environment and strategic initiatives and the market response to any such initiatives. An individual security may also be affected by factors relating to the industry or sector of the issuer or the securities markets as a whole, and conversely an industry or sector or the securities markets may be affected by a change in financial condition or other event affecting a single issuer.

Investing in growth-oriented stocks – Growth-oriented common stocks and other equity-type securities (such as preferred stocks) may involve larger price swings and greater potential for loss than other types of investments.

Investing in income-oriented stocks – The value of the fund’s securities and income provided by the fund may be reduced by changes in the dividend policies of, and the capital resources available for dividend payments at, the companies in which the fund invests.

Investing in debt instruments – Through its investments in one or more proprietary ETFs, the fund will have indirect exposure to debt securities. The prices of, and the income generated by, bonds and other debt securities held by the underlying fund(s) may be affected by factors such as the interest rates, maturities and credit quality of these securities.

Rising interest rates will generally cause the prices of bonds and other debt securities to fall. Also, when interest rates rise, issuers of callable debt securities that may be prepaid at any time, such as mortgage- or other asset-backed securities, are less likely to refinance existing debt securities, causing the average life of such securities to extend. A general change in interest rates may cause investors to sell debt securities on a large scale, which could also adversely affect the price and liquidity of debt securities and could also result in increased redemptions from the fund and/or an underlying fund. Falling interest rates may cause an issuer to redeem, call or refinance a debt security before its stated maturity, which may result in the underlying fund having to reinvest the proceeds in lower yielding securities. Longer maturity debt securities generally have greater sensitivity to changes in interest rates and may be subject to greater price fluctuations than shorter maturity debt securities.

Bonds and other debt securities are also subject to credit risk, which is the possibility that the credit strength of an issuer or guarantor will weaken or be perceived to be weaker, and/or an issuer of a debt security will fail to make timely payments of principal or interest and the security will go into default. Changes in actual or perceived creditworthiness may occur quickly. A downgrade or default affecting any of the underlying fund's securities could cause the value of the underlying fund's shares to decrease. Lower quality debt securities generally have higher rates of interest and may be subject to greater price fluctuations than higher quality debt securities.

Investing outside the U.S. – Securities of issuers domiciled outside the U.S. or with significant operations or revenues outside the U.S. and securities tied economically to countries outside the U.S. may lose value because of adverse political, social, economic or market developments in the countries or regions in which the issuers are domiciled, operate or generate revenue or to which the securities are tied economically. These securities may also lose value due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates against the U.S. dollar and/or currencies of other countries. Issuers of these securities may be more susceptible to actions of foreign governments, which could adversely impact the value of these securities. Securities markets in certain countries may be more volatile and/or less liquid than those in the U.S.. Investments outside the U.S. may also be subject to different accounting practices and different regulatory, legal, auditing, financial reporting and recordkeeping standards and practices, and may be more difficult to value, than those in the U.S.. In addition, the value of investments outside the U.S. may be reduced by foreign taxes. Further, there may be increased risks of delayed settlement of securities purchased or sold by the fund, which could impact the liquidity of the fund's portfolio.

Liquidity risk – Certain fund holdings may be or may become difficult or impossible to sell, particularly during times of market turmoil. Liquidity may be impacted by the lack of an active market for a holding, legal or contractual restrictions on resale, or the reduced number and capacity of market participants to make a market in such holding. Market prices for less liquid or illiquid holdings may be volatile or difficult to determine, and reduced liquidity may have an adverse impact on the market price of such holdings. Additionally, the sale of less liquid or illiquid holdings may involve substantial delays (including delays in settlement) and additional costs and the fund may be unable to sell such holdings when necessary to meet its liquidity needs or to try to limit losses, or may be forced to sell at a loss. Depending on market conditions, reduced liquidity of fund holdings may also cause the fund's shares to trade in the market at wider bid-ask spreads or greater premiums or discounts to the fund's NAV.

Market trading – The fund shares are listed for trading on an exchange and are bought and sold on the secondary market at market prices. The market prices of fund shares are expected to fluctuate, in some cases materially, in response to changes in the fund's net asset value ("NAV"), the intraday value of the fund's holdings, and supply and demand for the fund shares. The existence of significant market volatility, disruptions to creations and redemptions, or potential lack of an active trading market for fund shares and/or for the holdings of the fund (including through a trading halt), among other factors, may result in the shares trading significantly above (at a premium) or below (at a discount) to NAV and bid-ask spreads may widen. A bid-ask spread is the "spread" or difference between what investors are willing to pay for fund shares (the "bid" price) and the price at which they are willing to sell fund shares (the "ask" price). If you buy fund shares when their market price is at a premium or sell the fund shares when their market price is at a discount, you may pay more than, or receive less than, NAV, respectively. Similarly, market volatility, disruptions to creations or redemptions, or a potential lack of an active trading market for the underlying funds' shares may result in the fund's shares trading significantly above (at a premium) or below (at a discount) to NAV and bid-ask spreads may widen.

Foreign securities held by the fund may be traded in markets that close at a different time than the exchange on which the fund's shares are listed. Liquidity in those securities may be reduced after the applicable closing times. Accordingly, during the time when the fund's exchange is open but after the applicable market closing, fixing or settlement times, bid-ask spreads on the fund's exchange and the corresponding premium or discount to the fund's NAV may widen.

Authorized Participant concentration – Only authorized participants may engage in creation or redemption transactions directly with the fund, and none of them is obligated to do so. The fund has a limited number of institutions that may act as authorized participants. In addition, to the extent that securities held by the fund are traded outside a collateralized settlement system, authorized participants may be required to post collateral on certain trades on an agency basis (on behalf of other market participants), which only a limited number of authorized participants may be able to do. If authorized participants exit the business or are unable to or elect not to engage in creation or redemption transactions, and no other authorized participant engages in such function, fund shares may trade at a premium or discount to the fund's net asset value and/or at wider intraday bid-ask spreads and possibly face trading halts or delisting.

Nondiversification – As a nondiversified fund, the fund may invest a greater percentage of its assets in fewer issuers than a diversified fund. A fund that invests in a relatively smaller number of issuers is more susceptible to risks associated with a single economic, political, geographic or regulatory occurrence than a diversified fund might be. In addition, poor performance by a single issuer could adversely affect fund performance more than if the fund were invested in a larger number of issuers. The value of the fund's shares can be expected to fluctuate more than might be the case if the fund were more broadly diversified.

Management – The investment adviser to the fund actively manages the fund's investments. Consequently, the fund is subject to the risk that the methods and analyses, including models, tools and data, employed by the investment adviser in this process may be flawed or incorrect and may not produce the desired results. This could cause the fund to lose value or its investment results to lag relevant benchmarks or other funds with similar objectives.

Asset allocation – The fund's percentage allocation to equity securities, debt securities and money market instruments and cash could cause the fund to underperform relative to relevant benchmarks and other funds with similar investment objectives.

Fund structure – The fund invests in one or more proprietary underlying funds to achieve its allocation to debt securities, and incurs expenses related to the underlying fund(s). In addition, investors in the fund will incur fees to pay for certain expenses related to the operations of the fund. Additionally, in accordance with an exemption under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), the investment adviser considers only proprietary funds when selecting underlying investment options and allocations. This means that the fund's investment adviser does not, nor does it expect to, consider any unaffiliated funds as underlying investment options for the fund. This strategy could raise certain conflicts of interest when determining the overall asset allocation of the fund or choosing underlying investments for the fund, including the selection of funds that result in greater compensation to the adviser or funds with relatively lower historical investment results. The investment adviser has policies and procedures designed to mitigate material conflicts of interest that may arise in connection with its management of the fund.

Underlying fund risks – Because the fund's allocation to debt securities consists of one or more underlying funds, the fund's risks are directly related to the risks of the underlying fund(s). For this reason, it is important to understand the risks associated with investing in the underlying fund(s), as described below.

Investing in lower rated debt instruments – Lower rated debt securities or instruments, rated Ba1/BB+ or below by Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations (also known as "junk bonds"), generally have higher rates of interest and involve greater risk of default or price declines due to changes in the issuer's creditworthiness than those of higher quality debt securities. The market prices of these securities may fluctuate more than the prices of higher quality debt securities and may decline significantly in periods of general economic difficulty.

Investing in mortgage-related and other asset-backed securities – Mortgage-related securities, such as mortgage-backed securities, and other asset-backed securities, include debt obligations that represent interests in pools of mortgages or other income-bearing assets, such as consumer loans or receivables. While such securities are subject to the risks associated with investments in debt instruments generally (for example, credit, extension and interest rate risks), they are also subject to other and different risks. Mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities are subject to changes in the payment patterns of borrowers of the underlying debt, potentially increasing the volatility of the securities and the fund's net asset value. When interest rates fall, borrowers are more likely to refinance or prepay their debt before its stated maturity. This may result in the fund having to reinvest the proceeds in lower yielding securities, effectively reducing the fund's income. Conversely, if interest rates rise and borrowers repay their debt more slowly than expected, the time in which the mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities are paid off could be extended, reducing the fund's cash available for reinvestment in higher yielding securities. Mortgage-backed securities are also subject to the risk that underlying borrowers will be unable to meet their obligations and the value of property that secures the mortgages may decline in value and be insufficient, upon foreclosure, to repay the associated loans. Investments in asset-backed securities are subject to similar risks.

Investing in securities backed by the U.S. government – U.S. government securities are subject to market risk, interest rate risk and credit risk. Securities backed by the U.S. Treasury or the full faith and credit of the U.S. government are guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and principal when held to maturity. Accordingly, the current market values for these securities will fluctuate with changes in interest rates and the credit rating of the U.S. government. Notwithstanding that these securities are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, circumstances could arise that would prevent or delay the payment of interest or principal on these securities, which could adversely affect their value and cause the fund to suffer losses. Such an event could lead to significant disruptions in U.S. and global markets.

Securities issued by U.S. government-sponsored entities and federal agencies and instrumentalities that are not backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government are neither issued nor guaranteed by the U.S. government.

Interest rate risk – The values and liquidity of the securities held by the fund may be affected by changing interest rates. For example, the values of these securities may decline when interest rates rise and increase when interest rates fall. Longer maturity debt securities generally have greater sensitivity to changes in interest rates and may be subject to greater price fluctuations than shorter maturity debt securities. The fund may invest in variable and floating rate securities. When the fund holds variable or floating rate

securities, a decrease in market interest rates will adversely affect the income received from such securities and the net asset value of the fund's shares. Although the values of such securities are generally less sensitive to interest rate changes than those of other debt securities, the value of variable and floating rate securities may decline if their interest rates do not rise as quickly, or as much, as market interest rates. Conversely, floating rate securities will not generally increase in value if interest rates decline. During periods of extremely low short-term interest rates, the fund may not be able to maintain a positive yield or total return and, in relatively low interest rate environments, there are heightened risks associated with rising interest rates.

5. Certain investment techniques

Securities lending – The fund has entered into securities lending transactions in which the fund earns income by lending investment securities to brokers, dealers or other institutions. Each transaction involves three parties: the fund, acting as the lender of the securities, a borrower, and a lending agent that acts as an intermediary.

Securities lending transactions are entered into by the fund under a securities lending agent agreement with the lending agent. The lending agent facilitates the exchange of securities between the fund and approved borrowers, ensures that securities loans are properly coordinated and documented, marks-to-market the value of collateral daily, secures additional collateral from a borrower if it falls below preset terms, and may reinvest cash collateral on behalf of the fund according to agreed parameters. The lending agent provides indemnification to the fund against losses resulting from a borrower default. Although risk is mitigated by the collateral and indemnification, the fund could experience a delay in recovering its securities and a potential loss of income or value if a borrower fails to return securities, collateral investments decline in value or the lending agent fails to perform.

The borrower is required to post highly liquid assets, such as cash or U.S. government securities, as collateral for the loan in an amount at least equal to the value of the securities loaned. Investments made with cash collateral are recognized as assets in the fund's investment portfolio. The same amount is recorded as a liability in the fund's statement of assets and liabilities. While securities are on loan, the fund will continue to receive the equivalent of the interest, dividends or other distributions paid by the issuer, as well as a portion of the interest on the investment of the collateral. Additionally, although the fund does not have the right to vote on securities while they are on loan, the fund has a right to consent on corporate actions and a right to recall loaned securities to vote. A borrower is obligated to return loaned securities at the conclusion of a loan or, during the pendency of a loan, on demand from the fund.

As of June 30, 2026, the fund did not have any securities out on loan.

6. Taxation and distributions

Federal income taxation – The fund complies with the requirements under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and intends to distribute substantially all of its net taxable income and net capital gains each year. The fund is not subject to income taxes to the extent such distributions are made. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required.

As of and during the period ended June 30, 2026, the fund did not have a liability for any unrecognized tax benefits. The fund recognizes interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits as income tax expense in the statement of operations. During the period, the fund did not incur any significant interest or penalties.

The fund's tax returns are generally not subject to examination by federal, state and, if applicable, non-U.S. tax authorities after the expiration of each jurisdiction's statute of limitations, which is typically three years after the date of filing but can be extended in certain jurisdictions.

Non-U.S. taxation – Dividend and interest income, if any, are recorded net of non-U.S. taxes paid. The fund may file withholding tax reclaims in certain jurisdictions to recover a portion of amounts previously withheld. These reclaims are recorded when the amount is known and there are no significant uncertainties on collectability. Gains realized by the fund on the sale of securities in certain countries, if any, may be subject to non-U.S. taxes. The fund generally records an estimated deferred tax liability based on unrealized gains to provide for potential non-U.S. taxes payable upon the sale of these securities.

Distributions – Distributions determined on a tax basis may differ from net investment income and net realized gains for financial reporting purposes. These differences are due primarily to different treatment for items such as currency gains and losses; capital losses related to sales of certain securities within 30 days of purchase; cost of investments sold and net capital losses. The fiscal year in which amounts are distributed may differ from the year in which the net investment income and net realized gains are recorded by the fund for financial reporting purposes.

The components of distributable earnings on a tax basis, reported as of the fund's most recent year-end, December 31, 2025, were as follows (dollars in thousands):

Undistributed ordinary income	\$ 658
Capital loss carryforward*	(84,547)

*The capital loss carryforward will be used to offset any capital gains realized by the fund in the current or in subsequent years. The fund will not make distributions from capital gains while a capital loss carryforward remains.

As of June 30, 2026, the tax basis unrealized appreciation (depreciation) and cost of investments were as follows (dollars in thousands):

Gross unrealized appreciation on investments	\$ 792,840
Gross unrealized depreciation on investments	(137,372)
Net unrealized appreciation on investments	655,468
Cost of investments	6,318,107

Distributions paid were characterized for tax purposes as follows (dollars in thousands):

Six months ended June 30, 2026			Year ended December 31, 2025		
Ordinary income	Long-term capital gains	Total distributions paid	Ordinary income	Long-term capital gains	Total distributions paid
\$49,989	\$—	\$49,989	\$66,367	\$—	\$66,367

7. Fees and transactions

CRMC, the fund's investment adviser, is the parent company of Capital Client Group, Inc. ("CCG"), the principal underwriter of the fund's shares. CRMC and CCG are considered related parties to the fund.

Investment advisory services - The fund has an investment advisory and service agreement with CRMC that provides for monthly fees, accrued daily. These fees are based on an annual rate of 0.33% of daily net assets. Under the terms of the agreement, in addition to providing investment advisory services, the investment adviser and its affiliates provide certain administrative services to help assist third parties providing non-distribution services to fund shareholders. These services include providing in-depth information on the fund and market developments that impact the fund's investments. The agreement provides that the investment adviser will pay all ordinary operating expenses of the fund other than management fees, interest expenses, taxes, acquired fund fees and expenses, attributable to an investment in an acquired fund that is not managed or advised by the fund's investment adviser or its affiliates, costs of holding shareholder meetings, legal fees and expenses relating to arbitration or litigation, payments under the fund's plan of distribution (if any) and other non-routine or extraordinary expenses. Additionally, the fund will be responsible for its non-operating expenses, including brokerage commissions and fees and expenses associated with the fund's securities lending program, if applicable.

Acquired (underlying) fund fees and expenses are not included in the fees and expenses of the fund since they are indirectly reflected in the valuation of each of the underlying funds. These fees are included in the net effective expense ratios that are provided as additional information in the financial highlights tables. The fund does not pay for acquired fund fees and expenses attributable to an investment in an underlying fund that is managed or advised by the fund's investment adviser or its affiliate; therefore, the investment advisory services fee is reduced by these acquired fund fees and expenses. For the period ended June 30, 2026, the fund's annualized operating expense ratio, excluding acquired fund fees and expenses, was 0.22% of average daily net assets, and the annualized net effective expense ratio, inclusive of acquired fund fees and expenses, was 0.33% of average daily net assets.

Transfer agency and administration services - The fund has entered into a transfer agency and service agreement and an administration agreement with State Street Bank and Trust Company ("State Street"). Under the terms of the transfer agency agreement, State Street (or an agent, including an affiliate) acts as transfer agent and dividend disbursing agent for the fund. Under the terms of the administration agreement, State Street provides necessary administrative, legal, tax and accounting, regulatory and financial reporting services for the maintenance and operations of the fund. The investment adviser bears the costs of services under these agreements.

Affiliated officers and trustees – Officers and certain trustees of the fund are or may be considered to be affiliated with CRMC and CCG. No affiliated officers or trustees received any compensation directly from the fund.

Investment in CCF – The fund holds shares of CCF, an institutional prime money market fund managed by CRMC. CCF invests in high-quality, short-term money market instruments. CCF is used as the primary investment vehicle for the fund's short-term investments. CCF shares are only available for purchase by CRMC, its affiliates, and other funds managed by CRMC or its affiliates, and are not available to the public. CRMC does not receive an investment advisory services fee from CCF.

Security transactions with related funds – The fund purchased investment securities from, and sold investment securities to, other funds managed by CRMC (or funds managed by certain affiliates of CRMC) under procedures adopted by the fund's board of trustees. The funds involved in such transactions are considered related by virtue of having a common investment adviser (or affiliated investment advisers), common trustees and/or common officers. Each transaction was executed at the current market price of the security and no brokerage commissions or fees were paid in accordance with Rule 17a-7 of the 1940 Act. During the six months ended June 30, 2026, the fund engaged in such purchase and sale transactions with related funds in the amounts of \$51,980,000 and \$25,936,000, respectively, which generated \$1,181,000 of net realized losses from such sales.

Interfund lending – Pursuant to an exemptive order issued by the SEC, the fund, along with other CRMC-managed funds (or funds managed by certain affiliates of CRMC), may participate in an interfund lending program. The program provides an alternate credit facility that permits the funds to lend or borrow cash for temporary purposes directly to or from one another, subject to the conditions of the exemptive order. The fund did not lend or borrow cash through the interfund lending program at any time during the six months ended June 30, 2026.

8. Indemnifications

The fund's organizational documents provide board members and officers with indemnification against certain liabilities or expenses in connection with the performance of their duties to the fund. In the normal course of business, the fund may also enter into contracts that provide general indemnifications. The fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown since it is dependent on future claims that may be made against the fund. The risk of material loss from such claims is considered remote. Insurance policies are also available to the fund's board members and officers.

9. Capital share transactions

The fund issues and redeems shares at NAV only with certain authorized participants in large increments known as creation units. Purchases of creation units are made by tendering a basket of designated securities and cash to the fund, and redemption proceeds are paid with a basket of securities from the fund's portfolio with a balancing cash component to equate the market value of the basket of securities delivered or redeemed to the NAV per creation unit on the transaction date. The fund may issue creation units to authorized participants in advance of the delivery and settlement of all or a portion of the designated securities. When this occurs, the authorized participant provides cash collateral in an amount equal to 105% of the daily marked to market value of the securities that have not yet been delivered to the fund. Cash may be substituted equivalent to the value of certain securities generally when they are not available in sufficient quantity for delivery. Realized gains or losses resulting from redemptions of shares in-kind, if any, are reflected separately in the fund's statement of operations.

The fund's shares are available in smaller increments to investors in the secondary market at market prices and may be subject to commissions. Authorized participants pay a transaction fee to the shareholder servicing agent when purchasing and redeeming creation units of a fund. The transaction fee is used to defray the costs associated with the issuance and redemption of creation units. In addition, for cash creation unit transactions, a variable fee for creation transactions and redemption transactions may be charged to the authorized participant to cover certain brokerage, tax, foreign exchange, execution, market impact and other costs and expenses related to the execution of trades. Variable fees, if any, are included in capital share transactions in the fund's statement of changes in net assets.

Capital share transactions in the fund were as follows (dollars and shares in thousands):

	Sales		Reinvestments of distributions		Repurchases		Net increase (decrease)	
	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares
Six months ended June 30, 2026								
	\$2,609,197	71,480	\$—	—	\$(461,017)	(12,400)	\$2,148,180	59,080
Year ended December 31, 2025								
	\$3,010,300	90,240	\$—	—	\$(316,445)	(9,520)	\$2,693,855	80,720

10. Investment transactions

The fund engaged in purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding in-kind transactions, short-term securities and U.S. government obligations, if any, of \$1,036,971,000 and \$549,311,000, respectively, during the six months ended June 30, 2026.

The fund received and delivered securities in-kind of \$2,116,886,000 and \$468,585,000, respectively, from the authorized participants to support creation and redemption transactions during the six months ended June 30, 2026.

Financial highlights

Year ended	Income (loss) from investment operations ¹				Dividends and distributions				Total return	Net assets, end of year (in millions)	Ratio of expenses to average net assets ²	Net effective expense ratio ^{3,4}	Ratio of net income (loss) to average net assets
	Net asset value, beginning of year	Net investment income (loss)	Net gains (losses) on securities (both realized and unrealized)	Total from investment operations	Dividends (from net investment income)	Distributions (from capital gains)	Total dividends and distributions	Net asset value, end of year					
6/30/2026 ^{4,5}	\$35.30	\$.38	\$2.57	\$2.95	\$(.29)	\$—	\$(.29)	\$37.96	8.40% ⁶	\$6,991	.22% ⁷	.33% ⁷	2.13% ⁷
12/31/2025	31.22	.83	3.95	4.78	(.70)	—	(.70)	35.30	15.41	4,417	.22	.33	2.49
12/31/2024	27.29	.83	3.70	4.53	(.60)	—	(.60)	31.22	16.67	1,386	.23	.33	2.72
12/31/2023 ^{5,8}	24.84	.27	2.31	2.58	(.13)	—	(.13)	27.29	10.39 ⁶	114	.22 ⁷	.33 ⁷	3.92 ⁷

	Six months ended June 30, 2026 ^{4,5,6}	Year ended December 31, 2025	Year ended December 31, 2024	Period ended December 31, 2023 ^{5,6,8}
Portfolio turnover rate ^{9,10}	10%	19%	24%	3%

¹Based on average shares outstanding.

²This column does not include expenses of the underlying funds in which the fund invests.

³This column reflects the net effective expense ratio of the fund, which includes the fund's expense ratio combined with the weighted average net expense ratio of the underlying funds for the periods presented.

⁴Unaudited.

⁵Based on operations for a period that is less than a full year.

⁶Not annualized.

⁷Annualized.

⁸For the period September 26, 2023, commencement of operations, through December 31, 2023.

⁹Rates do not include the fund's portfolio activity with respect to any Central Funds.

¹⁰Rates exclude in-kind transactions, if any.

Refer to the notes to financial statements.

Changes in and disagreements with accountants

On December 10, 2025, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PwC") was dismissed and Deloitte & Touche LLP ("D&T") was appointed as the fund's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026 audit. The change in the fund's independent registered public accounting firm was approved by the fund's board of trustees, including a majority of the independent trustees, upon recommendation of the audit committee, as part of a broader effort to update board oversight and fund operations.

PwC's reports on the fund's financial statements as of and for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2025 did not contain an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles. At no point during the fund's fiscal years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2025 and the subsequent interim period through February 13, 2026, (i) were there any disagreements between management and PwC on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedure, which disagreements, if not resolved to the satisfaction of PwC, would have caused them to make reference to the subject matter of the disagreements in connection with their reports on the fund's financial statements for such periods, and (ii) there were no "reportable events" of the kind described in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The fund requested that PwC furnish it with a letter addressed to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission stating whether or not it agrees with the above statements. A copy of such letter was filed as an exhibit to the fund's Form N-CSR for the period ended December 31, 2025.

During the fund's fiscal years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2025 and the subsequent interim period through February 13, 2026, neither the fund, nor anyone on its behalf, consulted with D&T on items which: (i) concerned the application of accounting principles to a specified transaction, either completed or proposed, or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on the fund's financial statements; or (ii) concerned the subject of a disagreement (as defined in paragraph (a)(1)(iv) of Item 304 of Regulation S-K) or reportable events (as described in paragraph (a)(1)(v) of said Item 304).

Matters submitted for shareholder vote

None

Remuneration paid to directors, officers and others

Trustee compensation is paid by the investment adviser pursuant to the Investment Advisory and Service Agreement. Additional information related to the trustee compensation is available in the Registrant's Statement of Additional Information.

Approval of Investment Advisory and Service Agreement

At a meeting held in June 2026, the board of Capital Group Core Balanced ETF approved the continuation of the fund's Investment Advisory and Service Agreement (the "agreement") with Capital Research and Management Company ("CRMC") for an interim period through November 30, 2026. The approval for an interim period aligns the renewal cycle for the fund's agreement with the renewal cycle of other funds and exchange-traded funds managed by CRMC. The board approved the agreement following the recommendation of the fund's Contracts Committee (the "committee"), which is composed of all the fund's independent board members. The board and the committee determined in the exercise of their business judgment that the fund's contractual fee rate was fair and reasonable in relation to the services provided, and that approving the agreement was in the best interests of the fund and its shareholders.

In reaching this decision, the board and the committee took into account their interactions with CRMC and information furnished to them throughout the year and otherwise provided to them, as well as information prepared specifically in connection with their review of the agreement, and they were advised by their independent counsel with respect to the matters considered. They considered the following factors, among others, but did not identify any single issue or particular piece of information that, in isolation, was the controlling factor, and each board and committee member did not necessarily attribute the same weight to each factor.

1. Nature, extent and quality of services

The board and the committee considered the depth and quality of CRMC's investment management process, including its global research capabilities; the experience, capability and integrity of its senior management and other personnel; the low turnover rates of its key personnel; the overall financial strength and stability of CRMC and the Capital Group organization; the resources and systems CRMC devotes to investment management (the manner in which the fund's assets are managed, including liquidity management), financial, investment operations, compliance, trading, proxy voting, and other services; and the ongoing evolution of CRMC's organizational structure designed to maintain and strengthen these qualities. The board and the committee also considered the nature, extent and quality of administrative services provided by CRMC to the fund under the agreement and other agreements. The board and the committee considered the risks assumed by CRMC in providing services to the fund, including operational, business, financial, reputational, regulatory and litigation risks. The board and the committee concluded that the nature, extent and quality of the services provided by CRMC have benefited and should continue to benefit the fund and its shareholders.

2. Investment results

The board and the committee considered the investment results of the fund in light of its objective and strategy. They compared the fund's investment results with those of other funds (including funds that currently form the basis of the Morningstar index for the category in which the fund is included) and data such as publicly disclosed benchmarks, including applicable market and fund indexes over various periods (including the fund's lifetime) through March 31, 2026 while recognizing the fund's short operational history. On the basis of this evaluation and the board's and the committee's ongoing review of investment operations and results, and considering the relative market conditions during certain reporting periods, the board and the committee concluded that the fund's investment results have been satisfactory for renewal of the agreement, and that CRMC's continued management should benefit the fund and its shareholders.

3. Advisory fees and total expenses

The board and the committee compared the advisory fees and total expense levels of the fund to those of other relevant funds, noting that the fund has a unitary fee structure. They observed that the fund's advisory fees and expenses are competitive with, and compared favorably to, those of other similar active exchange-traded funds and institutional share classes for comparable open-end funds included in the applicable Morningstar categories. The board and the committee also reviewed information regarding the effective advisory fees charged to other funds and accounts managed by CRMC and its affiliates. They noted that, to the extent there were differences between the advisory fees paid by the fund and the advisory fees paid by those clients, the differences appropriately reflected the investment, operational, regulatory and market differences between advising the fund and the other clients. The board and the committee concluded that the fund's contractual fee rate was fair and reasonable in relation to the services provided, as well as in relation to the risks assumed by the adviser in sponsoring and managing the fund, and that the fund's shareholders receive reasonable value in return for the advisory fees and other amounts paid to CRMC by the fund.

4. Ancillary benefits

The board and the committee considered a variety of other benefits that CRMC and its affiliates receive as a result of CRMC's relationship with the fund and other funds it sponsors, including fees for administrative services; and possible ancillary benefits to CRMC and its institutional management affiliates in managing other investment vehicles. The board and the committee reviewed CRMC's portfolio trading practices, noting that CRMC bears the cost of third-party research. The board and committee also noted that CRMC benefited from the use of commissions from portfolio transactions made on behalf of the fund to facilitate payment to certain broker-dealers for research to comply with regulatory requirements applicable to these firms, with all such amounts reimbursed by CRMC. The board and the committee took these ancillary benefits into account in evaluating the reasonableness of the fees paid to CRMC by the fund.

5. Adviser financial information

The board and the committee reviewed information regarding CRMC's costs of providing services to its U.S. registered fund business, including personnel, systems and resources of investment, compliance, trading, accounting and other administrative operations. They considered CRMC's costs and related cost allocation methodology, as well as its track record of investing in technology, infrastructure and staff to maintain and expand services and capabilities, respond to industry and regulatory developments, and attract and retain qualified personnel. They noted information regarding the compensation structure for CRMC's investment professionals. They reviewed information on the profitability of the investment adviser and its affiliates. The board and the committee also compared CRMC's profitability and compensation data to the reported results and data of a number of large, publicly held investment management companies. The board and the committee noted the competitiveness and cyclical nature of both the registered fund industry and the capital markets, and the importance in that environment of CRMC's long-term profitability for maintaining its independence, company culture and management continuity. They further considered that shareholders benefited from the unitary fee structure because expenses were limited. The board and the committee also considered the fact that increases in assets would not lead to fee decreases, even if economies of scale are achieved, because the unitary fee structure does not contain breakpoints. The board and the committee concluded that the fund's contractual fee rate reflected a reasonable sharing of benefits between CRMC and the fund's shareholders.