

Financial Statements of

VENATOR ASCENDANT ALTERNATIVE FUND
(FORMERLY VENATOR FOUNDERS ALTERNATIVE FUND)

June 30, 2026 (Unaudited)

MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The accompanying unaudited interim financial statements have been prepared by **Venator Capital Management Ltd.**, as manager of the Venator Ascendant Alternative Fund (the “Trust”) and approved by VCM’s board of directors. The manager is responsible for the integrity, objectivity and reliability of the data presented. This responsibility includes selecting appropriate accounting principles and making judgements and estimates consistent with *IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board*; including International Accounting Standard (“IAS”) 34, “*Interim Financial Reporting*”. The manager is also responsible for the development of internal controls over the financial reporting process, which are designed to provide reasonable assurance that relevant and reliable financial information is produced, and the safeguarding of all assets of the Fund.

The board of directors of VCM, is responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements and overseeing management’s performance of its financial reporting responsibilities.

On behalf of VCM, manager of the Trust



August 19, 2026



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Notice to Unitholders

The Auditor of the Trust has not reviewed the Venator Ascendant Alternative Fund.

VCM, as manager of the Trust, appoints an independent auditor to audit the Trust’s annual financial statements. Applicable securities laws require that if an auditor has not reviewed the Trust’s interim financial report, this must be disclosed in an accompanying notice.

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Statements of Financial Position

As at June 30, 2026, with comparative information for December 31, 2025 (Unaudited)

	June 30, 2026	December 31, 2025
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Due from broker	\$ 123,347	\$ 2,948
Cash and cash equivalents	9,186	14,264
Investments owned, at fair value (Cost:\$16,049,373 - 2025:\$13,878,018) (note 8)	19,729,317	14,546,072
Dividends receivable	18,403	17,304
Other assets	396	325
Interest receivable	214	—
	<u>19,880,863</u>	<u>14,580,913</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	40,392	40,581
Management fees payable (note 5)	16,279	16,449
	<u>56,671</u>	<u>57,030</u>
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	<u>\$ 19,824,192</u>	<u>\$ 14,523,883</u>
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per Series:		
Series A	\$ 1,737,388	\$ —
Series A1	—	9,425,863
Series F	11,154,459	197,553
Series F1	—	1,430,577
Series UA	601,004	350,224
Series UF	6,331,341	3,119,666
	<u>\$ 19,824,192</u>	<u>\$ 14,523,883</u>
Number of redeemable units outstanding (note 6):		
Series A	199,178	—
Series A1	—	1,290,225
Series F	599,402	12,746
Series F1	—	187,260
Series UA	35,229	24,507
Series UF	372,341	220,285
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit:		
Series A	\$ 8.72	\$ —
Series A1	—	7.31
Series F	18.61	15.50
Series F1	—	7.64
Series UA ⁽¹⁾	17.06	14.29
Series UF ⁽²⁾	17.00	14.16

⁽¹⁾\$12.01 in USD for June 30, 2026 and \$10.42 in USD for December 31, 2025

⁽²⁾\$11.97 in USD for June 30, 2026 and \$10.32 in USD for December 31, 2025

Approved on behalf of the Trust:



Venator Capital Management Ltd. Trustee

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Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Period ended June 30, 2026, with comparative information for 2025 (Unaudited)

	2026	2025
Income		
Interest income for distribution purposes	\$ 289	\$ 105,374
Realized gain on sale of investments, including foreign exchange adjustments	255,603	1,445,656
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation in value of investments	3,012,380	(2,244,646)
Dividends	153,142	36,413
	<u>3,421,414</u>	<u>(657,203)</u>
Expenses		
Management fees (note 5)	102,462	120,930
Operating costs	77,443	72,683
Withholding taxes	21,782	2,100
Audit fees	20,293	8,496
Legal fees	7,439	7,439
Commissions and other portfolio transaction costs	1,557	65,244
Interest and borrowing fees	132	151,770
	<u>231,108</u>	<u>428,662</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	<u>\$ 3,190,306</u>	<u>\$ (1,085,865)</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per Series (note 11):		
Series A	\$ 24,561	\$ —
Series A1	1,640,782	(820,605)
Series F	194,194	(146,499)
Series F1	260,106	(118,761)
Series UA	83,489	—
Series UF	987,174	—
	<u>\$ 3,190,306</u>	<u>\$ (1,085,865)</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit (note 11):		
Series A	\$ 0.12	\$ —
Series A1	1.29	(0.60)
Series F	4.05	(1.73)
Series F1	1.40	(0.60)
Series UA ⁽¹⁾	2.83	—
Series UF ⁽²⁾	3.23	—

⁽¹⁾\$1.99 in USD for June 30, 2026

⁽²⁾\$2.27 in USD for June 30, 2026

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Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units

Period ended June 30, 2026, with comparative information for 2025 (Unaudited)

	Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units, beginning of period	Proceeds from redeemable units issued*	Redemption of redeemable units*	Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units, end of period
June 30, 2026					
Series A	\$ —	\$ 1,712,827	\$ —	\$ 24,561	\$ 1,737,388
Series A1	9,425,863	—	(11,066,645)	1,640,782	—
Series F	197,553	10,839,302	(76,590)	194,194	11,154,459
Series F1	1,430,577	—	(1,690,683)	260,106	—
Series UA	350,224	241,694	(74,403)	83,489	601,004
Series UF	3,119,666	2,502,095	(277,594)	987,174	6,331,341
	<u>\$ 14,523,883</u>	<u>\$ 15,295,918</u>	<u>\$ (13,185,915)</u>	<u>\$ 3,190,306</u>	<u>\$ 19,824,192</u>

* Total proceeds from redeemable units relating to switch-ins and redemptions of redeemable units relating to switch-outs for the period ended June 30, 2026 were \$12,552,129 and \$(12,552,129), respectively.

	Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units, beginning of period	Proceeds from redeemable units issued**	Redemption of redeemable units**	Decrease in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units, end of period
June 30, 2025					
Series A1	\$ 11,127,332	\$ —	\$ (1,133,974)	\$ (820,605)	\$ 9,172,753
Series F	1,601,382	—	(1,006,312)	(146,499)	448,571
Series F1	1,558,096	—	(16,310)	(118,761)	1,423,025
	<u>\$ 14,286,810</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (2,156,596)</u>	<u>\$ (1,085,865)</u>	<u>\$ 11,044,349</u>

** Total proceeds from redeemable units relating to switch-ins and redemptions of redeemable units relating to switch-outs for the period ended June 30, 2025 were \$nil and \$nil, respectively.

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Statements of Cash Flows

Period ended June 30, 2026, with comparative information for 2025 (Unaudited)

	2026	2025
Cash provided by (used in):		
Operating Activities		
Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	\$ 3,190,306	\$ (1,085,865)
Adjustments for non-cash items		
Net realized gain on sale of investments, including foreign exchange adjustments	(255,603)	(1,445,656)
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation in value of investments	(3,012,380)	2,244,646
Change in non-cash balances		
Increase in due from broker	(120,399)	(22,344)
(Increase) decrease in dividends receivable	(1,099)	1,849
Increase in other assets	(71)	(186)
(Increase) decrease in interest receivable	(214)	7,782
Decrease in receivable for investment sold	—	37,593
Increase in prepaid expenses	—	(5,825)
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(189)	(32,683)
Decrease in management fees payable	(170)	(6,399)
Decrease in due to broker	—	(128,291)
Proceeds from sale of investments	2,196,917	52,028,231
Purchase of investments	(4,116,064)	(49,780,654)
Cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(2,118,966)	1,812,198
Financing Activities		
Proceeds from redeemable units issued	2,743,789	—
Amount paid on redemption of redeemable units	(633,786)	(2,056,596)
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	2,110,003	(2,056,596)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents during the period	(8,963)	(244,398)
Foreign exchange gain on cash	3,885	309,961
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	14,264	2,042
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 9,186	\$ 67,605
Supplemental information*		
Interest paid	\$ 174	\$ 167,766
Interest received	75	113,156
Dividends received, net of withholding taxes	130,261	36,162

*Included as a part of cash flows from operating activities

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Schedule of Investment Portfolio

As at June 30, 2026 (Unaudited)

Number of shares/units	Investments owned	Average cost	Fair value	% of net asset value
	U.S. equities			
474	Agilent Technologies Inc.	\$ 78,399	\$ 89,436	0.45
245	Akamai Technologies Inc.	28,394	41,139	0.21
201	Albemarle Corp.	22,972	38,553	0.19
295	Alexandria Real Estate Equities Inc.	28,795	22,146	0.11
121	Align Technology Inc.	29,593	28,988	0.15
145	Allegion PLC	29,276	28,936	0.15
434	Alliant Energy Corp.	37,286	47,033	0.24
780	Amcor PLC	47,721	48,031	0.24
465	Ameren Corp.	62,439	74,667	0.38
890	American International Group Inc.	93,103	94,224	0.48
329	American Water Works Co Inc.	63,333	61,493	0.31
152	Ameriprise Financial Inc.	91,830	99,054	0.50
231	AO Smith Corp.	20,996	20,581	0.10
584	APA Corp.	17,523	27,019	0.14
355	Aptiv PLC	33,926	30,953	0.16
586	Arch Capital Group Ltd.	73,191	80,794	0.41
802	Archer-Daniels-Midland Co.	61,096	87,038	0.44
551	Ares Management Corp.	90,104	87,122	0.44
84	Assurant Inc.	23,349	32,042	0.16
280	Atmos Energy Corp.	61,051	68,519	0.35
356	Autodesk Inc.	99,444	98,318	0.50
233	AvalonBay Communities Inc.	63,277	62,452	0.32
127	Avery Dennison Corp.	30,656	29,289	0.15
137	Axon Enterprise Inc.	89,481	109,099	0.55
448	Ball Corp.	34,617	39,710	0.20
861	Baxter International Inc.	32,853	26,075	0.13
462	Becton Dickinson and Co.	93,883	99,313	0.50
353	Best Buy Co Inc.	33,242	38,049	0.19
245	Biogen Inc.	46,163	75,194	0.38
263	Bio-Techne Corp.	18,522	26,394	0.13
1,007	Block Inc.	86,906	108,714	0.55
268	Boston Properties Inc.	24,831	25,244	0.13
195	Broadridge Financial Solutions Inc.	62,177	37,935	0.19
577	Brown & Brown Inc.	80,872	52,579	0.27
760	Brown-Forman Corp.	27,869	28,771	0.15
181	Builders FirstSource Inc.	28,282	23,006	0.12
326	Bunge Global SA	38,629	49,425	0.25
167	Camden Property Trust	25,639	27,160	0.14
387	Cardinal Health Inc.	89,262	130,595	0.66
2,328	Carnival Corp Ltd.	85,520	94,479	0.48
62	Casey's General Stores Inc.	63,144	69,998	0.35
174	Cboe Global Markets Inc.	56,997	59,980	0.30
492	CBRE Group Inc.	89,642	94,133	0.47
215	CDW Corp.	50,288	42,953	0.22

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Number of shares/units	Investments owned	Average cost	Fair value	% of net asset value
	U.S. equities (continued)			
829	Centene Corp.	\$ 54,835	\$ 75,590	0.38
1,099	CenterPoint Energy Inc.	56,593	68,752	0.35
258	CF Industries Holdings Inc.	34,152	39,676	0.20
198	CH Robinson Worldwide Inc.	28,651	52,972	0.27
80	Charles River Laboratories International Inc.	16,819	25,772	0.13
234	Charter Communications Inc.	79,167	47,270	0.24
2,158	Chipotle Mexican Grill Inc.	96,980	104,225	0.53
396	Church & Dwight Co Inc.	51,557	54,497	0.27
236	Ciena Corp.	92,831	164,454	0.83
261	Cincinnati Financial Corp.	53,278	68,641	0.35
704	Citizens Financial Group Inc.	44,412	70,072	0.35
519	CMS Energy Corp.	50,234	56,399	0.28
787	Cognizant Technology Solutions Corp.	80,970	43,298	0.22
437	Coinbase Global Inc.	95,670	90,749	0.46
58	Comfort Systems USA Inc.	82,166	163,291	0.82
803	Conagra Brands Inc.	22,037	15,353	0.08
621	Consolidated Edison Inc.	85,841	97,590	0.49
290	Constellation Brands Inc.	63,620	57,297	0.29
1,565	Copart Inc.	83,403	62,669	0.32
105	Corpay Inc.	46,119	49,708	0.25
670	CoStar Group Inc.	71,431	26,953	0.14
708	Crown Castle International Corp.	86,509	76,163	0.38
192	Darden Restaurants Inc.	56,287	56,186	0.28
603	Datadog Inc.	99,812	223,014	1.12
108	DaVita Inc.	20,992	34,132	0.17
233	Deckers Outdoor Corp.	32,397	32,863	0.17
1,103	Delta Air Lines Inc.	81,453	146,748	0.74
1,927	Devon Energy Corp.	111,969	113,105	0.57
644	DexCom Inc.	72,050	61,612	0.31
373	Dollar General Corp.	57,915	60,991	0.31
322	Dollar Tree Inc.	44,553	55,323	0.28
56	Domino's Pizza Inc.	34,092	23,549	0.12
227	Dover Corp.	56,937	72,320	0.36
1,217	Dow Inc.	47,113	47,299	0.24
475	DR Horton Inc.	89,664	109,901	0.55
350	DTE Energy Co.	64,642	75,755	0.38
229	DuPont de Nemours Inc.	62,699	44,123	0.22
745	eBay Inc.	80,527	118,262	0.60
502	EchoStar Corp.	76,887	72,379	0.37
649	Edison International	47,912	68,636	0.35
419	Electronic Arts Inc.	95,969	122,038	0.62
74	EMCOR Group Inc.	65,919	87,234	0.44
802	Entergy Corp.	96,749	130,853	0.66
1,040	EQT Corp.	83,431	78,549	0.40

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Number of shares/units	Investments owned	Average cost	Fair value	% of net asset value
U.S. equities (continued)				
199	Equifax Inc.	\$ 68,229	\$ 44,867	0.23
630	Equity Residential	56,458	60,792	0.31
88	Erie Indemnity Co.	40,566	29,970	0.15
108	Essex Property Trust Inc.	41,260	44,734	0.23
67	Everest Group Ltd.	30,896	33,999	0.17
386	Evergy Inc.	37,533	47,391	0.24
635	Eversource Energy	56,391	65,189	0.33
397	Expand Energy Corp.	63,117	51,426	0.26
200	Expedia Inc.	50,181	72,696	0.37
220	Expeditors International of Washington Inc.	35,524	50,933	0.26
356	Extra Space Storage Inc.	70,777	73,478	0.37
95	F5 Inc.	39,239	56,133	0.28
62	FactSet Research Systems Inc.	34,594	20,263	0.10
39	Fair Isaac Corp.	79,698	66,190	0.33
145	Federal Realty Investment Trust	19,181	25,425	0.13
248	Fedex Freight Holding Co Inc.	57,536	53,195	0.27
868	Fidelity National Information Services Inc.	81,620	47,939	0.24
1,533	Fifth Third Bancorp	94,538	122,753	0.62
181	First Solar Inc.	42,594	60,668	0.31
974	FirstEnergy Corp.	56,342	65,775	0.33
887	Fiserv Inc.	79,268	61,815	0.31
512	Fortive Corp.	46,428	44,431	0.22
670	Fox Corp.	52,642	49,642	0.25
873	Franklin Resources Inc.	28,314	41,258	0.21
322	Garmin Ltd.	89,168	108,651	0.55
113	Gartner Inc.	56,100	20,806	0.10
768	GE HealthCare Technologies Inc.	76,879	69,831	0.35
1,019	Gen Digital Inc.	39,487	36,028	0.18
98	Generac Holdings Inc.	21,140	40,762	0.21
895	General Mills Inc.	61,400	44,243	0.22
229	Genuine Parts Co.	38,030	38,378	0.19
458	Global Payments Inc.	48,484	47,207	0.24
131	Globe Life Inc.	22,770	33,250	0.17
220	GoDaddy Inc.	49,210	26,526	0.13
1,403	Halliburton Co.	44,354	67,661	0.34
238	Hasbro Inc.	24,479	27,922	0.14
1,158	Healthpeak Properties Inc.	27,797	35,202	0.18
192	Henry Schein Inc.	19,111	22,779	0.11
2,209	Hewlett Packard Enterprise Co.	63,448	141,550	0.71
926	Hormel Foods Corp.	36,437	32,648	0.16
1,146	Host Hotels & Resorts Inc.	25,675	38,597	0.19
1,539	HP Inc.	51,580	47,964	0.24
89	Hubbell Inc.	51,260	66,145	0.33
199	Humana Inc.	65,618	112,286	0.57

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Number of shares/units	Investments owned	Average cost	Fair value	% of net asset value
U.S. equities (continued)				
3,392	Huntington Bancshares Inc/OH	\$ 78,140	\$ 85,429	0.43
66	Huntington Ingalls Industries Inc.	23,020	26,241	0.13
123	IDEX Corp.	29,664	39,653	0.20
133	IDEXX Laboratories Inc.	100,335	99,458	0.50
331	Incyte Corp.	33,748	53,300	0.27
658	Ingersoll Rand Inc.	75,047	76,635	0.39
117	Insulet Corp.	47,076	25,304	0.13
429	International Flavors & Fragrances Inc.	42,953	48,276	0.24
874	International Paper Co.	54,655	47,302	0.24
748	Invesco Ltd.	17,934	28,040	0.14
996	Invitation Homes Inc.	43,912	42,742	0.22
280	IQVIA Holdings Inc.	63,207	76,851	0.39
501	Iron Mountain Inc.	71,448	89,891	0.45
176	Jabil Inc.	54,736	96,373	0.49
120	Jack Henry & Associates Inc.	28,689	23,479	0.12
198	Jacobs Solutions Inc.	35,848	35,439	0.18
158	JB Hunt Transport Services Inc.	32,913	64,959	0.33
3,224	Kenvue Inc.	81,194	87,518	0.44
2,294	Keurig Dr Pepper Inc.	86,248	106,655	0.54
1,812	KeyCorp	43,515	59,329	0.30
282	Keysight Technologies Inc.	69,871	140,231	0.71
557	Kimberly-Clark Corp.	80,790	86,852	0.44
1,119	Kimco Realty Corp.	32,718	40,295	0.20
138	Labcorp Holdings Inc.	49,758	54,888	0.28
1,125	Las Vegas Sands Corp.	70,617	73,815	0.37
209	Leidos Holdings Inc.	45,613	30,570	0.15
412	Lennar Corp.	62,437	52,959	0.27
59	Lennox International Inc.	45,076	48,019	0.24
399	Live Nation Entertainment Inc.	81,196	103,783	0.52
345	Loews Corp.	43,866	55,481	0.28
191	lululemon athletica Inc.	56,294	30,979	0.16
544	LyondellBasell Industries NV	43,681	40,685	0.21
246	M&T Bank Corp.	65,033	83,171	0.42
101	Martin Marietta Materials Inc.	77,273	82,739	0.42
340	Masco Corp.	30,120	39,299	0.20
448	McCormick & Co Inc/MD	43,945	32,086	0.16
34	Mettler-Toledo International Inc.	56,153	61,700	0.31
428	MGM Resorts International	20,305	29,067	0.15
900	Microchip Technology Inc.	87,135	116,595	0.59
195	Mid-America Apartment Communities Inc.	38,388	38,486	0.19
661	Moderna Inc.	26,806	65,755	0.33
317	Molson Coors Brewing Co.	20,591	17,544	0.09
82	Monolithic Power Systems Inc.	92,278	161,019	0.81
123	MSCI Inc.	92,537	97,851	0.49

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	U.S. equities (continued)			
327	NetApp Inc.	\$ 48,764	\$ 71,887	0.36
972	News Corp.	37,674	34,283	0.17
805	NiSource Inc.	45,525	54,374	0.27
94	Nordson Corp.	28,474	40,284	0.20
311	Northern Trust Corp.	54,072	76,798	0.39
773	Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings Ltd.	21,260	23,180	0.12
352	NRG Energy Inc.	74,951	73,032	0.37
384	Nucor Corp.	72,242	121,504	0.61
5	NVR Inc.	49,568	48,392	0.24
1,660	Occidental Petroleum Corp.	97,477	114,530	0.58
351	Old Dominion Freight Line Inc.	78,532	107,996	0.54
479	Omnicom Group Inc.	48,183	49,555	0.25
640	ON Semiconductor Corp.	49,594	85,948	0.43
646	Otis Worldwide Corp.	83,457	65,703	0.33
149	Packaging Corp of America	39,487	50,433	0.25
1,877	Paramount Skydance Corp.	34,673	26,290	0.13
604	Paychex Inc.	89,065	84,365	0.43
1,487	PayPal Holdings Inc.	82,245	91,208	0.46
270	Pentair PLC	37,471	29,402	0.15
3,685	PG&E Corp.	74,012	88,045	0.44
208	Pinnacle West Capital Corp.	26,033	31,615	0.16
370	PPG Industries Inc.	56,880	63,748	0.32
1,263	PPL Corp.	60,280	65,215	0.33
363	Principal Financial Group Inc.	39,689	55,576	0.28
583	Prudential Financial Inc.	82,596	89,382	0.45
194	PTC Inc.	45,180	31,308	0.16
841	Public Service Enterprise Group Inc.	92,707	96,957	0.49
320	PulteGroup Inc.	48,105	62,370	0.31
339	Qnity Electronics Inc.	47,146	78,642	0.40
186	Quest Diagnostics Inc.	46,277	56,000	0.28
100	Ralph Lauren Corp.	39,726	57,020	0.29
323	Raymond James Financial Inc.	68,312	69,755	0.35
317	Regency Centers Corp.	31,212	35,907	0.18
1,433	Regions Financial Corp.	46,805	61,474	0.31
243	ResMed Inc.	85,909	67,269	0.34
189	Revvity Inc.	24,672	29,870	0.15
186	Rockwell Automation Inc.	85,502	130,807	0.66
804	Rollins Inc.	62,259	47,671	0.24
169	Roper Technologies Inc.	85,767	81,235	0.41
240	Sandisk Corp.	113,802	775,160	3.91
178	SBA Communications Corp.	54,820	44,618	0.23
365	Seagate Technology Holdings PLC	121,724	500,336	2.52
251	Skyworks Solutions Inc.	24,870	24,174	0.12
886	Smurfit WestRock PLC	51,342	58,221	0.29

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Schedule of Investment Portfolio (continued)

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Number of shares/units	Investments owned	Average cost	Fair value	% of net asset value
U.S. equities (continued)				
87	Snap-on Inc.	\$ 38,083	\$ 49,730	0.25
292	Solventum Corp.	29,686	32,001	0.16
824	Southwest Airlines Co.	37,809	60,187	0.30
264	Stanley Black & Decker Inc.	25,039	35,296	0.18
454	State Street Corp.	66,942	109,376	0.55
242	Steel Dynamics Inc.	45,947	78,879	0.40
164	STERIS PLC	54,113	49,055	0.25
1,043	Super Micro Computer Inc.	63,059	43,455	0.22
562	Synchrony Financial	52,227	60,712	0.31
802	Sysco Corp.	84,119	95,218	0.48
361	T Rowe Price Group Inc.	47,676	58,300	0.29
302	Take-Two Interactive Software Inc.	99,091	107,239	0.54
337	Tapestry Inc.	44,559	70,073	0.35
362	Targa Resources Corp.	89,237	137,883	0.70
78	Teledyne Technologies Inc.	55,620	73,892	0.37
258	Teradyne Inc.	47,694	177,322	0.89
116	Texas Pacific Land Corp.	56,862	72,113	0.36
294	Textron Inc.	32,730	38,309	0.19
1,194	The AES Corp.	18,953	24,864	0.13
202	The Clorox Co.	33,115	27,386	0.14
327	The Cooper Cos Inc.	31,692	33,310	0.17
605	The Estee Lauder Cos Inc.	66,881	67,850	0.34
460	The Hartford Financial Services Group Inc.	80,203	86,593	0.44
342	The Hershey Co.	82,814	85,236	0.43
176	The JM Smucker Co.	23,700	28,126	0.14
1,988	The Kraft Heinz Co.	70,263	66,702	0.34
1,028	The Kroger Co.	86,906	81,089	0.41
535	The Mosaic Co.	24,906	16,104	0.08
790	The Trade Desk Inc.	53,845	20,289	0.10
318	TKO Group Holdings Inc.	78,452	90,936	0.46
877	Tractor Supply Co.	63,489	39,379	0.20
391	Trimble Navigation Ltd.	39,776	28,426	0.14
71	Tyler Technologies Inc.	54,439	29,496	0.15
598	Tyson Foods Inc.	45,842	48,632	0.25
548	UDR Inc.	29,643	31,075	0.16
72	Ulta Beauty Inc.	47,268	46,124	0.23
549	United Airlines Holdings Inc.	63,359	106,052	0.53
102	Universal Health Services Inc.	24,965	21,544	0.11
502	Valero Energy Corp.	106,308	185,717	0.94
273	Veeva Systems Inc.	61,247	68,822	0.35
820	Ventas Inc.	76,232	103,435	0.52
414	Veralto Corp.	56,681	52,152	0.26
154	VeriSign Inc.	58,903	55,031	0.28
220	Verisk Analytics Inc.	77,574	56,105	0.28

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Schedule of Investment Portfolio (continued)

As at June 30, 2026 (Unaudited)

Number of shares/units	Investments owned	Average cost	Fair value	% of net asset value
U.S. equities (continued)				
1,954	Viatis Inc.	\$ 25,972	\$ 44,077	0.22
1,823	VICI Properties Inc.	79,989	68,753	0.35
218	Vulcan Materials Co.	79,060	91,355	0.46
284	Wabtec Corp.	80,683	108,763	0.55
4,216	Warner Bros Discovery Inc.	80,132	159,662	0.81
165	Waters Corp.	74,663	87,903	0.44
547	WEC Energy Group Inc.	80,047	90,732	0.46
119	West Pharmaceutical Services Inc.	37,790	60,685	0.31
583	Western Digital Corp.	100,379	528,957	2.67
1,197	Weyerhaeuser Co.	42,497	40,706	0.21
198	Williams-Sonoma Inc.	45,771	65,561	0.33
160	Willis Towers Watson PLC	66,574	59,404	0.30
417	Workday Inc.	81,475	72,515	0.37
625	WR Berkley Corp.	61,891	62,617	0.32
174	Wynn Resorts Ltd.	23,280	23,997	0.12
399	Xylem Inc/NY	70,689	66,999	0.34
463	Yum! Brands Inc.	94,113	105,139	0.53
80	Zebra Technologies Corp.	32,229	29,917	0.15
324	Zimmer Biomet Holdings Inc.	41,680	39,622	0.20
704	Zoetis Inc.	78,236	71,862	0.36
		<u>16,049,373</u>	<u>19,729,317</u>	<u>99.55</u>
U.S. rights				
1,345	Sycamore Partners LLC \$0	—	—	—
382	TPG Inc. \$0	—	—	—
		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	Total investments owned	16,049,373	19,729,317	99.55
	Commissions and other portfolio transaction costs	<u>(7,306)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
	Net investments owned	<u>\$ 16,042,067</u>	19,729,317	99.55
	Other assets, net		<u>94,875</u>	<u>0.45</u>
	Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units		<u>\$ 19,824,192</u>	<u>100.00</u>

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1. Trust organization and nature of operations:

Venator Ascendant Alternative Fund (formerly Venator Founders Alternative Fund) (the "Trust") is a trust created under the laws of the Province of Ontario by a Trust Agreement dated June 28, 2007 and amended and restated as at September 25, 2009, February 14, 2012, June 30, 2021 and June 25, 2025. The Trust commenced active operations on September 1, 2007. Venator Capital Management Ltd., a corporation incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario, is the manager and trustee (the "Manager" or "Trustee") of the Trust. The registered office of the Trust is 2 Bloor Street East, Suite 310, Toronto, ON, M4W 1A8.

On June 25, 2025, the Trust completed a restructuring, whereby the investment objective of the Trust was changed. In connection with the investment objective change, the investment strategies of the Trust, the fees charged by the Trust and the name of the Trust have also changed.

The investment objective of the Trust is to provide long-term capital growth through rules based, quantitative securities selection by taking long investment positions in equity securities.

2. Basis of presentation:

These interim financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"), which are presented at fair value. The policies applied in these interim financial statements are based on IFRS Accounting Standards and International Accounting Standard 34, *Interim Financial Reporting* (together "IFRS Accounting Standards"), as published by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"). They were authorized for issue by the Manager on August 19, 2026. These interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2025 which have been prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards. The financial statements are presented in Canadian dollar, which is the Trust's functional currency.

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3. Material accounting policy information:

The following summarizes the accounting policies of the Trust:

(a) Valuation of investments:

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives and trading securities) is based on quoted market prices. In accordance with the provisions of the Trust's Simplified Prospectus, investment positions are valued based on the last traded market price for the purpose of determining the net asset per unit for subscriptions and redemptions. For financial reporting purposes, the Trust uses the last traded market price for both financial assets and financial liabilities where the last traded price falls within that day's bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager determines the point within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of fair value based on the specific facts and circumstances. When the Trust holds derivatives with offsetting market risks, it uses mid-market prices as a basis for establishing fair values for the offsetting risk positions and applies this bid or asking price to the net open position, as appropriate.

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) is determined using valuation techniques. The Trust uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each statement of financial position date. Valuation techniques used include the use of comparable recent arm's-length transactions, discounted cash flow analysis, option pricing models and other valuation techniques commonly used by market participants.

(b) Classification:

The Trust classifies its investments in debt, equity securities and derivatives as financial assets and financial liabilities at FVTPL, in accordance with IFRS 9, *Financial instruments* ("IFRS 9").

The Trust classifies its investments at FVTPL based on the Trust's business model for managing those financial assets in accordance with the Trust's documented investment strategy. The portfolio of investments is managed and performance is evaluated on a fair value basis and the portfolio of investments is neither held to collect contractual cash flows nor held both to collect contractual cash flows and to sell financial assets. The Trust is primarily focused on fair value information and uses that information to assess the assets' performance and to make decisions.

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3. Material accounting policy information (continued):

(b) Classification (continued):

Other financial assets including due from broker, dividends receivable, subscriptions receivables, other assets and interest receivable are classified as subsequently measured at amortized cost and recorded at cost or amortized cost. A financial asset is classified as subsequently measured at amortized cost only if both of the following criteria are met:

- (i) the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows, and
- (ii) the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding.

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities and management fees payable are classified as financial liabilities and reported at amortized cost. Financial liabilities are generally settled within three months of issuance. Other financial assets and liabilities are short-term in nature, and are carried at amortized cost, which approximates fair value.

(c) Recognition/derecognition:

The Trust recognizes financial assets or financial liabilities at FVTPL on the trade date - the date it commits to purchase or sell short the instruments. From this date, any gains and losses arising from changes in fair value of the assets or liabilities are recognized in the statements of comprehensive income (loss).

Financial assets are derecognized when, and only when, the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire; or it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. The Trust derecognizes financial liabilities when, and only when, the Trust's obligations are discharged, cancelled or expired.

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3. Material accounting policy information (continued):

(d) Offsetting financial instruments:

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statements of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. In the normal course of business, the Trust enters into various master netting agreements or similar agreements that do not meet the criteria for offsetting in the statements of financial position but still allow for the related amounts to be offset in certain circumstances, such as bankruptcy or termination of the contracts.

(e) Investment transactions and revenue recognition:

Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis and gains and losses from investment transactions are accounted for on the trade date.

Realized gain on sale of investments, including foreign exchange adjustments, and change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation in value of investments are determined on an average cost basis.

(f) Withholding tax expense:

The Trust generally incurs withholding taxes imposed by certain countries on investment income and capital gains. Such income and gains are recorded on a gross basis and the related withholding taxes are shown as a separate expense in the statements of comprehensive income (loss).

(g) Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards requires management to use accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Trust's accounting policies. Estimates are continually evaluated and based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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3. Material accounting policy information (continued):

(h) Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit:

The net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit is calculated by dividing the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units of a particular series of redeemable units by the total number of redeemable units of that particular series outstanding at the end of the period.

(i) Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series:

Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series is based on the increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units attributed to each series of redeemable units, divided by the weighted average number of redeemable units outstanding of that series during the period. Refer to note 11 for the calculation.

(j) Fair value hierarchy:

Investments measured at fair value are classified into one of three fair value hierarchy levels, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The inputs or methodologies used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The hierarchy of inputs is summarized below:

- Level 1 - quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. An active market is one in which transactions for the assets occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis;
- Level 2 - inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices); and
- Level 3 - inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

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3. Material accounting policy information (continued):

(k) Due to broker:

The Trust has a prime brokerage agreement with its broker to carry its accounts as a customer. The broker has custody of the Trust's securities.

Due to broker is a margin account representing cash loans with brokers that are secured by the underlying investments owned by the Trust.

(l) Commissions and other portfolio transaction costs:

Transaction costs, such as brokerage commissions incurred in the purchase and sale of portfolio securities and other trade execution costs paid to external third parties, such as stamp duties and exchange fees, are recognized as expenses in the statements of comprehensive income (loss) based on the trade date.

(m) Translation of foreign currency:

The functional and presentation currency of the Trust is the Canadian dollar. The fair value of foreign investments and other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Canadian dollars at the exchange rates prevailing at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, the closing rate, on each valuation day. Purchases and sales of foreign securities denominated in foreign currencies and the related income are translated into Canadian dollars at rates of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions. Changes in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in foreign currencies are recognized in the statements of comprehensive income (loss) through net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in value of investments. All other gains and losses related to foreign exchange translations are recognized in the statements of comprehensive income (loss) through realized gain (loss) on sale of investments, including foreign exchange adjustments.

(n) Interest and borrowing fees:

As a result of taking both long and short positions, the Trust incurs both interest expense and borrowing fees. While the use of borrowed funds can substantially improve the return on invested capital, its use may also increase the adverse impact to which the investment portfolio of the Trust may be subjected by increasing the Trust's exposure to capital risk and incurring higher expenses.

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3. Material accounting policy information (continued):

(o) Taxation of the Trust:

The Trust qualifies as a mutual fund trust under the provisions of the Income Tax Act (Canada) (the "Income Tax Act") and, accordingly, is not subject to tax on its net taxable income, including net realized capital gains, which is paid or payable to its unitholders as at the end of the tax year. However, such part of the Trust's net income and net realized capital gains that is not paid or payable is subject to income taxes. It is the intention of the Trust to distribute all of its income and sufficient net realized capital gains so that the Trust will not be subject to income tax.

Non-capital losses are available to be carried forward for 20 years and applied against future taxable income. Capital losses for income tax purposes may be carried forward indefinitely and applied against future capital gains.

(p) Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held with banks with original maturities of three months or less.

(q) Classification of redeemable units issued by the Trust:

The Trust's redeemable units do not meet the criteria in IAS 32, Financial Instruments - Presentation, for classification as equity due to multiple series with different rights and, therefore, have been classified as financial liabilities.

(r) Unit valuation:

The net assets of a particular series of units are computed by calculating the value of that series' proportionate share of the assets and liabilities of the Trust common to all series less the liabilities of the Trust attributable only to that series.

Expenses directly attributable to a series are charged directly to that series. Income, realized and unrealized gains and losses from investment transactions and other expenses are allocated proportionately to each series based upon the relative net asset value of each series.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

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3. Material accounting policy information (continued):

(s) Future accounting policy changes:

Presentation and disclosure in financial statements (IFRS 18)

IFRS 18 will replace IAS 1 Presentation and disclosure in financial statements and applies for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2027. The new standard introduces the following key new requirements.

- Entities are required to classify all income and expenses into five categories in the statements of comprehensive income (loss), namely the operating, investing, financing, discontinued operations and income tax categories. Entities are also required to present a newly-defined operating profit subtotal. Entities' net profit will not change.
- Management-defined performance measures (MPMs) are disclosed in a single note in the financial statements.
- Enhanced guidance is provided on how to group information in the financial statements.

In addition, all entities are required to use the operating profit subtotal as the starting point for the statements of cash flows when presenting operating cash flows under the indirect method.

The Trust is still in the process of assessing the impact of the new standard, particularly with respect to the structure of the Trust's statements of comprehensive income (loss), the statements of cash flows and the additional disclosures required for MPM. The Trust is also assessing the impact on how information is grouped in the financial statements, including for items currently labelled as "other".

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

June 30, 2026 (Unaudited)

3. Material accounting policy information (continued):

(t) Amendments to accounting standards effective in the current period:

Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments (Amendments to IFRS 9 and IFRS 7)

The IASB has issued amendments to IFRS 9 and IFRS 7 in May 2024. These amendments relate to classification of financial assets and accounting for settlement by electronic payments in the context of the classification and measurement requirements in IFRS 9. The potential impact may include, but is not limited to, a change in timing of recognition and derecognition of financial instruments in certain situations in which settlement of a financial instruments with another takes more than a day. Similarly, a change may be required for entities that derecognize both trade payable and cash on the payment initiation date even if the creditor has not yet received the cash. However, an accounting policy choice is available for derecognizing certain financial liabilities that are settled using an electronic payment system subject to certain criteria being met.

The amendments are effective from January 1, 2026. The Management has assessed the new standard and determined that there is no impact on the Trust's financial statements.

4. Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

The preparation of financial statements requires management to use judgments in applying its accounting policies and to make estimates and assumptions about the future. The following discusses the most significant accounting judgments and estimates that the Trust has made in preparing the financial statements:

Classification and measurement of investments:

In classifying and measuring financial instruments held by the Trust, the Manager is required to make significant judgments about whether or not the business of the Trust is to manage its portfolio of investments and evaluate performance on a fair value basis and that the portfolio of investments is neither held to collect contractual cash flows nor held both to collect contractual cash flows and to sell financial assets. The most significant judgments made include assessing and determining the appropriate business model that enables the decision that the Trust's investments are classified as FVTPL.

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5. Related party transactions:

(a) Management fees:

The management fee paid by the Trust to the Manager is calculated daily and payable monthly based on the net asset value of each series.

Prior to June 25, 2025, the annual management fee for each series was as follows: (i) 2% of the net asset value of the Series A units; and (ii) 1% of the net asset value of the Series F units, plus applicable taxes. Management fees on Series I units are negotiated and paid directly by the investor.

The Manager will pay, with respect to the Series A units, and out of its management fee, an annual service fee to participating registered dealers whose clients hold Series A units. The service fee is payable quarterly to a maximum of 1% per annum of the net asset value of the Series A units held by clients of the applicable dealer.

Effective June 25, 2025, the annual management fee for each series is as follows: (i) 1.5% of the net asset value of the Series UA and A1 units ; and (ii) 0.5% of the net asset value of the Series UF, F and F1 units, plus applicable taxes. Management fees on Series I and Series UI units are negotiated and paid directly by the investor.

Management fees for the period ended June 30, 2026 were \$102,462 (2025 - \$120,930), with \$16,279 payable as at June 30, 2026 (December 31, 2025 - \$16,449).

(b) Performance fee:

The Trust pays a performance fee to the Manager on each Series UA, A1, UF, F and F1 unit outstanding on the last business day of the period based on the amount by which the net asset value per unit on such date plus the aggregate amount of all distributions declared on such unit ("Adjusted NAV per Unit") exceeds the previous High Water Mark for such unit, plus applicable taxes. The performance fee is calculated daily. The High Water Mark is defined as the greater of the purchase price of such unit or the Adjusted NAV per Unit after the last date on which a performance fee was paid.

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5. Related party transactions (continued):

(b) Performance fee (continued):

Prior to June 25, 2025, in any period in which a performance fee is payable, the Manager will be paid 20% of any gains in excess of the High Water Mark. Investors in Series I Units may negotiate a different performance fee.

Effective June 25, 2025, in any period in which a performance fee is payable, the Manager will be paid 10% of any gains in excess of the High Water Mark and providing that the gains are also in excess of the S&P 500 Total Return Index in USD. Investors in Series I units and Series UI Units may negotiate a different performance fee.

Performance fees for the period ended June 30, 2026 were \$nil (2025 - \$nil) with \$nil payable as at June 30, 2026 (December 31, 2025 – \$nil).

(c) Related party unitholders:

Directors and employees of the Manager own units of the Trust representing 32.03% (December 31, 2025 – 46.70%) of units outstanding.

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6. Redeemable units of the Trust:

The Trust is authorized to issue an unlimited number of redeemable units of an unlimited number of series, each of which represents an equal, undivided, beneficial interest in the net asset value of the Trust.

Each redeemable unit of each series entitles the holder to one vote and to participate equally with respect to any and all distributions made by the Trust. Redeemable units of a series may be consolidated and/or redesignated by the Manager.

Unitholders may request that such units be redeemed on the last business day of each weekly period (the "Redemption Date") at their net asset value per unit on such date provided that the request for redemption is submitted at least 5 business days prior to such Redemption Date.

	Redeemable units, beginning of period	Redeemable units issued	Redemptions of redeemable units	Redeemable units, end of period
June 30, 2026				
Series A	—	199,178	—	199,178
Series A1	1,290,225	—	(1,290,225)	—
Series F	12,746	591,020	(4,364)	599,402
Series F1	187,260	—	(187,260)	—
Series UA	24,507	15,583	(4,861)	35,229
Series UF	220,285	171,162	(19,106)	372,341
June 30, 2025				
Series A1	1,469,432	—	(150,826)	1,318,606
Series F	100,809	—	(70,241)	30,568
Series F1	198,997	—	(2,258)	196,739

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6. Redeemable units of the Trust (continued):

Capital disclosure:

The capital of the Trust is represented by issued and redeemable units. The redeemable units are entitled to distributions, if any, and to payment of a proportionate share based on the Trust's net asset value per unit upon redemption. The Trust has no restrictions or specific capital requirements on the subscriptions and redemptions of redeemable units. The relevant movements are shown on the statements of changes in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units. In accordance with its investment objectives and strategies, and the risk management practices outlined in note 7, the Trust endeavours to invest the subscriptions received in appropriate investments while maintaining sufficient liquidity to meet redemptions, such liquidity being augmented by short-term borrowings or disposal of investments, where necessary.

7. Financial instruments and risk management:

Management of financial instrument risks:

In the normal course of business, the Trust is exposed to liquidity risk, other price risk, credit risk, currency risk and interest rate risk. The value of investments within the Trust's portfolio can fluctuate on a daily basis as a result of changes in interest rates, economic conditions, the market and company news related to specific securities within the Trust. The level of risk depends on the Trusts investment objective and the type of securities it invests in.

(a) Liquidity risk:

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Trust may not be able to settle or meet its obligation on time or at a reasonable price.

The Trust's exposure to liquidity risk is concentrated in the periodic cash redemptions of redeemable units. The Underlying Fund primarily invests in securities that are traded in active markets and can be readily disposed of. In addition, the Trust generally retains sufficient cash and cash equivalent positions to maintain liquidity.

The Trust may employ the use of derivatives to moderate certain risk exposures. There is no guarantee that a market will exist for some derivatives and it is possible that the exchanges may impose limits on trading of derivatives.

The financial liabilities of the Trust mature within three months.

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7. Financial instruments and risk management (continued):

(b) Other price risk:

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk).

All investments represent a risk of loss of capital. The Manager aims to moderate this risk through careful selection and diversification of securities and other financial instruments in accordance with the Trust's investment objectives and strategy. The maximum risk resulting from financial instruments is determined by the fair value of the financial instruments. The Trust's overall market positions are monitored on a regular basis by the Manager. Financial instruments held by the Trust are susceptible to market price risk arising from uncertainties about future prices of the instruments.

The following table sets out the concentration of the investment assets and liabilities of the Trust at June 30, 2026 and December 31, 2025 as a percentage of the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units of the Trust:

	June 30, 2026	December 31, 2025
Canadian equities	—	0.00%
U.S. equities	99.55%	100.12%

As at June 30, 2026 and December 31, 2025 the equity investments held by the Trust are concentrated in the following industries:

	June 30, 2026	December 31, 2025
Consumer staples	7.00%	8.25%
Communications	4.46%	6.03%
Consumer discretionary	7.99%	9.51%
Financials	13.35%	13.23%
Health care	9.98%	11.12%
Industrials	12.84%	14.23%
Information technology	21.54%	12.41%
Materials	4.98%	5.76%
Real estate	5.80%	6.63%
Energy	4.28%	4.45%
Utilities	7.33%	8.50%

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7. Financial instruments and risk management (continued):

(b) Other price risk (continued):

As at June 30, 2026, the majority of the Trust's net assets were invested in equity securities traded on North American stock exchanges. Accordingly, if the security prices on North American exchanges had increased or decreased by 10% as at the period end, with all other factors remaining constant, net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units of the Trust could possibly have increased or decreased by approximately \$1,972,932 (December 31, 2025 - \$1,454,607). In practice, the actual results may differ from this sensitivity analysis and the difference could be material.

(c) Credit risk:

Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Trust. It arises principally from debt securities held, and also from cash and cash equivalents (through custodian's credit rating) and balances due from brokers. The carrying amount of investments and other assets represents the maximum credit risk exposure as at the date of the Statements of Financial Position.

The cash and cash equivalents are held with a major Canadian bank counterparty which is rated AA as at June 30, 2026 (AA - December 31, 2025).

Balances due from brokers represent margin accounts, cash collateral for borrowed securities and sales transactions awaiting settlement. Credit risk relating to unsettled transactions is considered minimal due to the short settlement period involved and the high credit quality of the broker used. The Trust's prime broker was rated AA at June 30, 2026 (AA - December 31, 2025).

The Trust's investments in debt instruments, including the related interest receivable, represents the main exposure to credit risk. The market value of debt instruments and derivatives includes consideration of the creditworthiness of the issuer.

As at June 30, 2026, the Trust held investments in debt instruments with a fair value of \$nil (December 31, 2025 - \$nil).

(d) Currency risk:

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates.

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7. Financial instruments and risk management (continued):

(d) Currency risk (continued):

Currency risk arises from financial instruments (including cash and cash equivalents) that are denominated in a currency other than the Canadian dollar, which represents the functional currency of the Trust. The Trust may enter into foreign exchange forward contracts for hedging purposes to reduce its foreign currency exposure, or to establish exposure to foreign currencies.

As at June 30, 2026 and December 31, 2025, the Trust has the following foreign currency exposures (as a percentage of total NAV):

Currency	Exposure			Impact if CAD strengthened or weakened by 5% in relation to other currencies		
	Monetary	Non-Monetary	Total	Monetary	Non-Monetary	Total
June 30, 2026						
U.S. Dollar	\$ 129,470	\$ 19,729,317	\$ 19,858,787	\$ 6,474	\$ 986,466	\$ 992,940
% of Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	0.65	99.52	100.17	0.03	4.98	5.01

Currency	Exposure			Impact if CAD strengthened or weakened by 5% in relation to other currencies		
	Monetary	Non-Monetary	Total	Monetary	Non-Monetary	Total
December 31, 2025						
U.S. Dollar	\$ 4,567	\$ 14,546,072	\$ 14,550,639	\$ 228	\$ 727,304	\$ 727,532
% of Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	0.03	100.15	100.18	—	5.01	5.01

As at June 30, 2026, if the Canadian dollar had strengthened or weakened by 5% in relation to the U.S. dollar, with all other variables held constant, net assets of the Trust would have increased or decreased by \$992,100 (December 31, 2025 - \$727,532).

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7. Financial instruments and risk management (continued):

(e) Interest rate risk:

Interest rate risk arises when the Trust invests in interest-bearing financial instruments. The Trust is exposed to the risk that the value of such financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in the prevailing levels of market interest rates.

There is minimal sensitivity to interest rate fluctuations on any cash and cash equivalents invested at short-term market interest rates and fixed-rate instruments held.

As at June 30, 2026 and December 31, 2025, the Trust is not subject to significant amounts of risk due to fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates.

8. Fair value measurement:

The following is the summary of the inputs used as at June 30, 2026 in valuing the Trust's investments carried at fair values:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets				
Equities	\$ 19,729,317	\$ –	\$ –	\$ 19,729,317
	\$ 19,729,317	\$ –	\$ –	\$ 19,729,317

There were no transfers between the levels during the period.

The following is the summary of the inputs used as at December 31, 2025 in valuing the Trust's investments carried at fair values:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets				
Equities	\$ 14,546,072	\$ –	\$ –	\$ 14,546,072
	\$ 14,546,072	\$ –	\$ –	\$ 14,546,072

There were no transfers between the levels during the year.

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9. Expenses:

The Manager has the power to incur and make payment out of the Trust provided any charges or expenses which, in the opinion of the Manager, are necessary or incidental to, or proper for, carrying out any of the purposes of the Trust Agreement, including without limitation all fees and expenses relating to the management and administration of the Trust. The Trust is responsible for any income or excise taxes and brokerage commissions on portfolio transactions.

10. Income taxes:

As at December 31, 2025, the Trust has \$8,905,560 (2024 – \$8,905,560) capital losses carried forward and has non-capital losses carried forward in the amount of \$1,847,312 (2024 - \$1,847,312) available for income tax purposes.

11. Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series:

The increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series for periods ended June 30, 2026 and 2025 is calculated as follows:

	Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per Series	Weighted average of redeemable units outstanding during the period	Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit
June 30, 2026			
Series A	\$ 24,561	199,178	\$ 0.12
Series A1	1,640,782	1,274,762	1.29
Series F	194,194	47,952	4.05
Series F1	260,106	185,272	1.40
Series UA	83,489	29,450	2.83
Series UF	987,174	305,438	3.23
June 30, 2025			
Series A1	\$ (820,605)	1,356,502	\$ (0.60)
Series F	(146,499)	84,638	(1.73)
Series F1	(118,761)	198,174	(0.60)