Management Report of Fund Performance for the period/year ended March 31, 2024

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### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGIES**

The investment objective of the CI Global Smaller Companies Private Pool (the Fund) is to provide long-term capital growth by investing primarily in equity or equity-related securities of small and medium-capitalization companies located anywhere in the world.

When buying and selling securities for the Fund, the portfolio advisor examines each company's potential for success in light of its current financial condition, its industry position and economic and market conditions. The portfolio advisor considers factors like growth potential, cash flow and quality of management.

The portfolio advisor uses a fundamental approach to assess growth potential and valuation. This means evaluating the financial condition, competitiveness, and management of each company, as well as the industry in which it operates.

The Fund will focus on small and medium-sized companies located anywhere in the world, including emerging markets. The market capitalization of companies will primarily range between US\$250 million and US\$10 billion at the time of purchase and the Fund will generally have between 30 to 50 equity holdings.

For a complete discussion of the Fund's investment objective and strategies, please refer to the Fund's most recently filed simplified prospectus.

#### RISK

The Manager reviews the risk rating for the Fund on an annual basis, at a minimum, based on the methodology mandated by the Canadian Securities Administrators to determine the risk level of the Fund. Any change to the risk rating made during the period/year was as a result of such review and was not a result of any change to the investment objective, strategies or management of the Fund.

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The Fund's net assets decreased by \$2.8 million to \$13.5 million from March 31, 2023 to March 31, 2024. The Fund had net redemptions of \$4.7 million during the year. The portfolio's performance increased assets by \$1.9 million. Series A units returned 13.9% after fees and expenses for the one-year period ended March 31, 2024. Over the same time period, the Fund's benchmark returned 16.1%. The benchmark is the MSCI World Small Cap Total Return Index (the Benchmark or the Index).

The performance of the Fund's other Series is substantially similar to that of Series A units, except for differences in the structure of fees and expenses. For the returns of the Fund's other Series, please refer to the "Past Performance" section.

Inflation declined during the year due to restrictive monetary policy and higher interest rates. Residential real estate activity remained depressed amid higher mortgage rates and weakness within certain pockets of commercial real estate, such as office and retail. Unemployment remained at near-record lows, which put upward pressure on wages and increased labour strikes between workers and employers. Inflation and higher interest rates in mortgage, auto and credit card debt has damped consumer spending on discretionary purchases.

The initial impact of stimulus spending under the U.S. Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and CHIPS and Science Act offset moderation in private sector investment in the United States. The failures of SVB Financial Group, Signature Bank and First Republic Bank and the subsequent regulatory response resulted in more stringent lending standards and reduced availability of debt capital.

Conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East led to volatility in the energy markets and placed pressure on global supply chains.

The Fund underperformed its benchmark during the year. Security selection in the consumer discretionary and information technology sectors detracted from the Fund's performance. The largest individual detractors from the Fund's performance were positions in Watches of Switzerland Group PLC, Sensata Technologies Holding PLC, Dye & Durham Ltd., Phreesia Inc., Bravida Holding AB and Nordic Semiconductor ASA.

Security selection within the real estate sector contributed to the Fund's performance, as did allocation to the industrials sector. Top individual contributors to the Fund's performance included holdings in CSW Industrials Inc., Construction Partners Inc., Medpace Holdings Inc., BE Semiconductor Industries NV, Bytes Technology Group PLC and Live Nation Entertainment Inc.

We added new positions in ARC Resources Ltd., Badger Meter Inc. and Cargojet Inc. to the Fund. Existing holdings in CONMED Corp., Instalco AB and Watches of Switzerland Group PLC were increased. The Fund's positions in RS Group PLC, Sensata Technologies Holding PLC, Malibu Boats Inc. and Dye & Durham Ltd. were eliminated while holdings in CSW Industrials Inc., Colliers International Group Inc. and Dalata Hotel Group PLC were trimmed.

### RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

We expect elevated inflation to persist over the near term, and therefore, we favour businesses that have sustainable competitive advantages that allow them to exercise pricing power.

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Globally, central banks have raised interest rates aggressively to combat the rapid inflation. This has pressured the valuations of high-growth information technology companies and those in cyclical sectors, including housing, luxury goods and industrial components. Recent turbulence in the U.S. regional banking system may constrain credit availability and put upward pressure on financing costs.

Consumer budgets have been pressured by elevated inflation and deteriorating housing affordability. While we remain cautious, we expect consumer spending should be fairly resilient because of excess savings accumulated during the COVID-19 pandemic, record home equity and low unemployment. We expect spending to remain especially resilient in travel, entertainment and experiences, which consumers were unable to enjoy during the pandemic. Stimulus spending under the IIJA, IRA and the CHIPS and Science Act should partially offset slower economic activity related to higher interest rates.

The Fund holds companies that are better able to endure any economic environment and businesses with some short-term challenges that are trading at prices well below intrinsic value. We continue to place an emphasis on balance sheet resilience and liquidity, which enables businesses to continue investing through an economic downturn and ultimately emerge stronger when conditions recover.

#### Risk rating

Effective July 13, 2023, the risk rating for the Fund changed from "Medium" to "Medium-to-High". This change is the result of an annual review to comply with the methodology mandated by the Canadian Securities Administrators and is not the result of any changes to investment objective, strategies or management of the Fund.

#### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

#### Manager, Portfolio Adviser, Trustee and Registrar

CI Investments Inc. is the Manager, Portfolio Adviser, Trustee and Registrar of the Fund. CI Investments Inc. is a subsidiary of CI Financial Corp. The Manager, in consideration for management fees, provides management services required in the day-to-day operations of the Fund. The Manager bears all of the operating expenses of the Fund (other than taxes, borrowing costs and new governmental fees) in return for an administration fee.

Management fee and administration fee rates as at March 31, 2024, for the Series/Class or for each of the Series/Classes, as applicable, is/are shown below:

	Annual management fee rate (%):	Annual administration fee rate (%):			
Series A	1.700	0.15			
Series F	0.700	0.15			
Series I	Paid directly by investor	Paid directly by investor			

The Manager received \$0.2 million in management fees and \$0.02 million in administration fees for the year.

### Management Fees

Approximately 26% of total management fees were used to pay for sales and trailing commissions. The remaining 74% of management fees were used to pay for investment management and other general administration.

### Inter Fund Trading

Inter fund trading occurs when a Fund purchases or sells a security of any issuer from or to another Fund managed by the Manager. These transactions are executed through market intermediaries and under prevailing market terms and conditions. The Independent Review Committee (IRC) reviews such transactions during scheduled meetings. During the period/year ended March 31, 2024, the Fund executed inter fund trades.

#### Independent Review Committee

The Manager, in respect of the Fund, received the following standing instructions from the IRC with respect to related party transactions:

The applicable standing instructions require, amongst others, that related party transactions be conducted in accordance with the Manager's policies and procedures and applicable law and that the Manager reports related party transactions periodically to the IRC and advise the IRC of any material breach of such policies. The Manager's policies and procedures require that investment decisions in respect of related party transactions (a) are free from any influence by an entity related to the Manager and without taking into account any consideration relevant to an entity related to the Manager; (b) represent the business judgment of the Manager, uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Fund; (c) do not exceed the limitations of the applicable legislation; and (d) achieve a fair and reasonable result for the Fund.

Except as otherwise noted above under Related Party Transactions section, the Fund was not a party to any related party transactions during the period/year ended March 31, 2024. If the Fund invested in related party transactions, it relied on the IRC's standing instructions regarding related party transactions during this reporting period/year.

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### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following table/tables shows/show selected key financial information about the Fund and is/are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the past five period(s)/year(s), as applicable.

Net Assets per Unit (\$)			Increase (decr	ease) from	operations:		_		Di	istributions			
	Net assets at the beginning of period/ year \$	Total revenue \$	Total expenses (excluding distributions)	Realized gains (losses) for the period/ year \$	Unrealized gains (losses) for the period/ year \$	from		From net investment income (excluding dividends)	From dividends \$	From capital gains \$	Return of capital	Total distributions \$	Net assets at the end of the period/ year shown
Series A (1)(2)(3)(4)													
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018													
Mar. 31, 2024	10.68	0.14	(0.27)	(0.46)	1.84	1.25		-	-	-	-	-	12.17
Mar. 31, 2023	11.49	0.12	(0.25)	(0.87)	0.19	(0.81)		-	-	-	-	-	10.68
Mar. 31, 2022	12.98	0.07	(0.29)	(0.05)	(1.73)	(2.00)		-	-	-	-	-	11.49
Mar. 31, 2021	7.58	0.10	(0.26)	1.97	1.22	3.03		-	-	-	-	-	12.98
Mar. 31, 2020	10.40	0.13	(0.20)	(0.91)	(1.91)	(2.89)		-	-	-	-	-	7.58
Series F (1)(2)(3)(4)													
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018													
Mar. 31, 2024	11.20	0.14	(0.16)	(0.46)	2.14	1.66		-	-	-	-	-	12.90
Mar. 31, 2023	11.92	0.12	(0.14)	(0.91)	0.34	(0.59)		-	-	-	-	-	11.20
Mar. 31, 2022	13.33	0.09	(0.14)	0.30	0.15	0.40		-	-	-	-	-	11.92
Mar. 31, 2021	7.70	0.10	(0.12)	1.46	3.85	5.29		-	-	-	-	-	13.33
Mar. 31, 2020	10.45	0.14	(0.09)	(1.00)	(2.81)	(3.76)		-	-	-	-	-	7.70
Series I (1)(2)(3)(4)													
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018													
Mar. 31, 2024	11.69	0.15	(0.05)	(0.46)	2.26	1.90		-	-	-	-	-	13.60
Mar. 31, 2023	12.32	0.13	(0.05)	(0.96)	0.54	(0.34)		-	-	-	-	-	11.69
Mar. 31, 2022	13.64	0.08	-	0.03	(1.42)	(1.31)		-	-	-	-	-	12.32
Mar. 31, 2021	7.80	0.06	(0.01)	(0.95)	10.23	9.33		-	-	-	-	-	13.64
Mar. 31, 2020	10.49	0.14	-	(0.92)	(1.91)	(2.69)		-	-	-	-	-	7.80

<sup>(1)</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

<sup>(2)</sup> Net assets per unit and distributions per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding for the relevant Series/Class at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) in net assets from operations per unit is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding for the relevant Series/Class over the fiscal period/year.

<sup>(3)</sup> Distributions are automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

<sup>(4)</sup> This information is provided for the period(s)/year(s) ended March 31.

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### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont'd)

**Ratios and Supplemental Data** 

	Total net	Number of units	Management expense ratio before	Harmonized	Management expense ratio after	Effective HST rate for the period/	Trading expense	Portfolio turnover
	assets	outstanding	taxes	sales tax	taxes	year	ratio	rate
	\$000's	000's	%	%	%	%	%	%
Series A (1)(2)(3)(4)(5)								
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018								
Mar. 31, 2024	8,275	680	1.86	0.22	2.08	11.64	0.25	39.60
Mar. 31, 2023	11,671	1,093	1.95	0.21	2.16	11.69	0.15	29.11
Mar. 31, 2022	12,728	1,108	1.85	0.20	2.05	10.74	0.20	87.13
Mar. 31, 2021	10,710	825	1.85	0.18	2.03	9.36	0.55	117.87
Mar. 31, 2020	865	114	1.85	0.22	2.07	12.01	0.47	105.29
Series F (1)(2)(0)(4)(5)								
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018								
Mar. 31, 2024	5,238	406	0.86	0.10	0.96	11.78	0.25	39.60
Mar. 31, 2023	4,651	415	0.95	0.10	1.05	11.95	0.15	29.11
Mar. 31, 2022	4,240	356	0.85	0.11	0.96	12.69	0.20	87.13
Mar. 31, 2021	6,583	494	0.85	0.11	0.96	12.67	0.55	117.87
Mar. 31, 2020	2,671	347	0.85	0.11	0.96	12.71	0.47	105.29
Series I (1)(2)(3)(4)(5)								
Commencement of operations October 29, 2018								
Mar. 31, 2024	3	-	0.01	-	0.01	-	0.25	39.60
Mar. 31, 2023	3	-	0.10	-	0.10	-	0.15	29.11
Mar. 31, 2022	1	-	-	-	-	-	0.20	87.13
Mar. 31, 2021	2	-	-	-	-	-	0.55	117.87
Mar. 31, 2020	7	1	-	-	-	-	0.47	105.29

<sup>(1)</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

(5) This information is provided for the period(s)/year(s) ended March 31.

<sup>(2)</sup> Management expense ratio is calculated based on expenses charged to the Fund (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets for the period/year, including the Fund's proportionate share of any underlying fund(s) expenses, if applicable. The Effective HST tax rate is calculated using the attribution percentage for each province based on unitholder residency and can be different from 13%.

<sup>(3)</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period/year, including the Fund's proportionate share of such expenses of any underlying fund(s), if applicable.

<sup>(4)</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the fiscal period/year. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in a period/year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the period/year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the period/year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a higher turnover rate and the performance of a Fund. Portfolio turnover rate is calculated by dividing the lesser of the cost of purchases and the proceeds of sales of portfolio securities for the period/year, and excluding cash and short-term investments maturing in less than one year, and before assets acquired from a merger, if applicable, by the average of the monthly fair value of investments during the period/year.

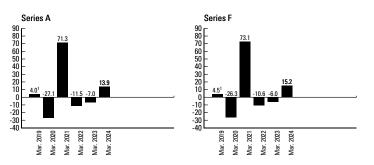
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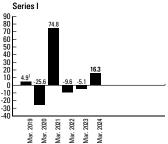
### PAST PERFORMANCE

This section describes how the Fund has performed in the past. Remember, past returns do not indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. The information shown assumes that distributions made by the Fund in the period(s)/year(s) shown were reinvested in additional units of the Fund or relevant Series/Class of the Fund, as applicable. In addition, the information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance.

### Year-by-Year Returns

The following chart/charts shows/show the Fund's annual performance for each of the period(s)/year(s) shown and illustrates/illustrate how the Fund's performance has changed from period/year to period/year. In percentage terms, the chart/charts shows/show how much an investment made on the first day of each financial period/year would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial period/year, except where noted.





1 2019 return is for the period from October 29, 2018 to March 31, 2019.

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### **Annual Compound Returns**

The following table shows the Fund's annual compound returns for each year indicated, compared to the MSCI World Small Cap Total Return Index.

The MSCI World Small Cap Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that captures small cap representation across 23 developed markets: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. With 4,166 constituents, the MSCI World Small Cap Index covers approximately 14% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in each country.

A discussion of the performance of the Fund as compared to the benchmark is found in the Results of Operations section of this report.

	One Year (%)	Three Years (%)	Five Years (%)	Ten Years (%)	Since Inception (%)
Series A	13.9	(2.1)	3.2	n/a	3.7
MSCI World Small Cap Total Return Index	16.1	3.8	8.2	n/a	9.1
Series F	15.2	(1.1)	4.3	n/a	4.8
MSCI World Small Cap Total Return Index	16.1	3.8	8.2	n/a	9.1
Series I	16.3	(0.1)	5.3	n/a	5.8
MSCI World Small Cap Total Return Index	16.1	3.8	8.2	n/a	9.1

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### SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO as at March 31, 2024

Category	% of Net Assets
Country allocation	
U.S.A	48.0
U.K	15.3
Sweden	
Canada	8.8
Ireland	6.1
Italy	4.3
Germany	3.7
Netherlands	1.5
Japan	1.0
Cash & Cash Equivalents	0.6
Cayman Islands	0.5
Other Net Assets (Liabilities)	0.3

Category	% of Net Assets
Sector allocation	
Industrials	31.7
Information Technology	13.7
Consumer Discretionary	11.6
Financials	9.5
Health Care	8.2
Real Estate	7.0
Communication Services	6.1
Materials	5.4
Energy	2.4
Consumer Staples	1.8
Utilities	1.7
Cash & Cash Equivalents	0.6
Other Net Assets (Liabilities)	

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### SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO as at March 31, 2024 (cont'd)

Top 25 Holdings	% of Net Assets
CSW Industrials Inc.	5.2
Construction Partners Inc., Class A	4.1
Colliers International Group Inc.	
Hensoldt AG	
CCC Intelligent Solutions Holdings Inc.	
Live Nation Entertainment Inc.	
Dalata Hotel Group PLC	
Burford Capital Ltd	
Lamar Advertising Co., Class A	
Diploma PLC	
Medpace Holdings Inc.	
Bytes Technology Group PLC	2.9
Glenveagh Properties PLC	
Autoliv Inc.	
SOL SPA	
Watches of Switzerland Group PLC	
Morningstar Inc.	
Charles River Laboratories International Inc.	
discoverIE Group PLC	
CONMED Corp.	
Regal Rexnord Corp.	2.4
Baltic Classifieds Group PLC	
Bank OZK	
Sensient Technologies Corp.	
Instalco AB	
Total Net Assets (in \$000's)	\$13,516

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund and updates will be available on a quarterly basis.

### A NOTE ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, its future performance, strategies or prospects, and possible future Fund action. The words "may," "could," "should," "would," "suspect," "outlook," "believe," "plan," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "forecast," "objective," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both about the Fund and general economic factors, so it is possible that predictions, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not be achieved. We caution you not to place undue reliance on these statements as a number of important factors could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statement made by the Fund. These factors include, but are not limited to, general economic, political and market factors in Canada, the United States and internationally, interest and foreign exchanges rates, global equity and capital markets, business competition, technological changes, changes in laws and regulations, judicial or regulatory judgments, legal proceedings and catastrophic events.

The above list of important factors that may affect future results is not exhaustive. Before making any investment decisions, we encourage you to consider these and other factors carefully. All opinions contained in forward-looking statements are subject to change without notice and are provided in good faith but without legal responsibility.