

## **Annual Management Report of Fund Performance**

*For the Period Ended March 31, 2018*

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# MACKENZIE US HIGH YIELD BOND INDEX ETF (CAD-HEDGED)

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## Management Discussion of Fund Performance

June 7, 2018

This Management Discussion of Fund Performance presents the portfolio management team's view on the significant factors and developments during the period ended March 31, 2018, that have affected the ETF's performance and outlook. If the ETF was established during the period, "period" represents the period from inception to the end of the fiscal period. For information on the ETF's longer-term performance, as applicable, please refer to the *Past Performance* section of the report. In this report, "Mackenzie" refers to Mackenzie Financial Corporation, the manager of the ETF. In addition, net asset value ("NAV") refers to the value of the ETF as calculated for subscription and redemption purposes, on which the discussion of ETF performance is based.

### Investment Objective and Strategies

The ETF seeks to replicate, to the extent reasonably possible and before fees and expenses, the performance of the Solactive USD High Yield Corporates Total Market Hedged to CAD Index, or any successor thereto. It invests primarily in high-yield corporate bonds issued in U.S. dollars, either directly or indirectly, with its foreign currency hedged back to the Canadian dollar.

### Risk

The risks of the ETF remain as discussed in the ETF's Prospectus.

The ETF is suitable for short- to medium-term investors looking for a currency-hedged U.S. fixed income fund to hold as part of their portfolio, who can handle the volatility of bond markets and who have a low to medium tolerance for risk.

### Results of Operations

#### Investment Performance

From the ETF's inception on January 24, 2018, to March 31, 2018, the ETF returned  $-2.0\%$  (after deducting fees and expenses). This compares with the Solactive USD High Yield Corporates Total Market Hedged to CAD Index return of  $-1.9\%$  for the same period. All index returns are calculated on a total return basis in Canadian dollar terms. Investors cannot invest in the index without incurring fees, expenses and commissions, which are not reflected in the index returns.

The U.S. high-yield bond market had negative total returns over the period. Higher interest rates, increased volatility in equity markets and growing concerns about global trade policy all detracted from the performance of high-yield fixed income securities.

The ETF invested all its assets in Xtrackers USD High Yield Corporate Bond ETF (the "Underlying ETF"). The ETF uses derivative instruments to hedge its foreign currency exposure back to the Canadian dollar. Alternatively or additionally, the ETF may invest its assets directly in the securities that make up the index.

The difference in performance between the ETF and the index resulted primarily from management fees and other operating expenses.

### Net Assets

From its inception on January 24, 2018 to March 31, 2018, the ETF experienced net sales of \$4.0 million.

At March 31, 2018, 42.6% of the ETF's NAV was held as inventory by the ETF's designated broker primarily for the purpose of sales to investors in the secondary market. See also *Other Related Party Transactions* for the percentage of the ETF's NAV owned by funds managed by Mackenzie. As a result of these investments, the ETF is subject to large transaction risk as discussed in the Prospectus. Mackenzie manages this risk to reduce the possibility of any adverse effect on the ETF or on its investors, through such processes as settling transactions in kind, charging creation and/or redemption fees for transactions settling in cash, and establishing appropriate order cut-off times for transactions.

### Recent Developments

Because the ETF is an index fund, neither market expectations nor recent developments affect the composition of the portfolio.

### Related Party Transactions

The following arrangements result in fees paid by the ETF to Mackenzie or to companies affiliated with the ETF.

### Management Fees

The annualized management expense ratio ("MER") for the ETF was 0.57% since inception, which includes the ETF's proportionate share of the Underlying ETF's MER for the period. The ETF paid management fees to Mackenzie at the annual rate of 0.30%, after including Mackenzie's waiver of fees. Mackenzie may discontinue the practice of waiving management fees at any time without prior notice to investors.

The management fee for the ETF is calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of its NAV. The ETF's management fees were used by Mackenzie to pay for the costs of managing the investment portfolio of the ETF, including providing investment analysis and recommendations, making investment decisions, making brokerage arrangements for the purchase and sale of the investment portfolio, providing other services and licensing the index, and to pay for all costs and expenses (other than certain specified fund costs as more fully described in the Prospectus) required to operate the ETF.

### Other Related Party Transactions

Investment funds managed by Mackenzie invest in the ETF in accordance with the investment objectives of those funds. At March 31, 2018, funds managed by Mackenzie owned 57.4% of the ETF's NAV. All related party transactions are based on the current market price.

The ETF did not rely on an approval, positive recommendation or standing instruction from the Mackenzie Funds' Independent Review Committee with respect to any related party transactions.



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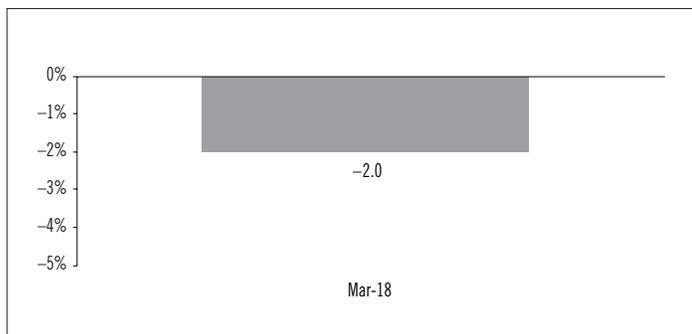
## Past Performance

The ETF's past performance information is presented in the following chart and table. It assumes all distributions made by the ETF in the periods presented are reinvested in additional units of the ETF. The chart and table do not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or optional charges, or income taxes payable by any investor that would have reduced returns. The past performance of the ETF is not necessarily an indication of how it will perform in the future.

If you hold this ETF outside of a registered plan, income and capital gains distributions paid to you increase your income for tax purposes whether paid to you in cash or reinvested in additional units of the ETF. The amount of reinvested taxable distributions is added to the adjusted cost base of the units that you own. This would decrease your capital gain or increase your capital loss when you later redeem from the ETF, thereby ensuring that you are not taxed on this amount again. Please consult your tax adviser regarding your personal tax situation.

## Year-by-Year Returns

The following bar chart presents the performance of the ETF for each of the fiscal periods shown. The chart shows, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each fiscal period, or on the ETF's inception date (January 24, 2018), as applicable, would have increased or decreased by the last day of the fiscal period presented.



## Annual Compound Returns

The following table compares the historical annual compound total returns for the ETF with the relevant index or indices shown below for each of the periods ended March 31, 2018. Investors cannot invest in an index without incurring fees, expenses and commissions, which are not reflected in these performance figures.

All index returns are calculated in Canadian dollars on a total return basis, meaning that all distributions are reinvested.

| Percentage Return:   | 1 Yr | 3 Yr | 5 Yr | 10 Yr | Since Inception |
|--|------|------|------|-------|-----------------|
| Mackenzie US High Yield Bond Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)                  | n/a  | n/a  | n/a  | n/a   | -2.0            |
| Solactive USD High Yield Corporates Total Market Hedged to CAD Index | n/a  | n/a  | n/a  | n/a   | -1.9            |

*The Solactive USD High Yield Corporates Total Market Hedged to CAD Index is a rules-based, market value weighted index designed to mirror the performance of non-investment grade corporate bonds issued in U.S. dollars. The U.S. dollar exposure is hedged back to the Canadian dollar.*



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## Summary of Investment Portfolio of the Underlying ETF\* at March 31, 2018

| <b>Portfolio Allocation</b>     | <b>% of NAV</b> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Bonds                           | 98.1            |
| Cash and short-term investments | 1.9             |

| <b>Regional Allocation</b>      | <b>% of NAV</b> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| United States                   | 82.3            |
| Canada                          | 3.7             |
| United Kingdom                  | 2.8             |
| Luxembourg                      | 2.5             |
| Cash and short-term investments | 1.9             |
| Netherlands                     | 1.7             |
| France                          | 1.2             |
| Ireland                         | 1.1             |
| Italy                           | 0.8             |
| Other                           | 0.4             |
| Germany                         | 0.3             |
| Hong Kong                       | 0.3             |
| Japan                           | 0.3             |
| Australia                       | 0.2             |
| Finland                         | 0.2             |
| Sweden                          | 0.2             |
| Belgium                         | 0.1             |

| <b>Sector Allocation</b>        | <b>% of NAV</b> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Corporate bonds                 | 98.1            |
| Cash and short-term investments | 1.9             |

| <b>Bonds by Credit Rating**</b> | <b>% of NAV</b> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| BBB                             | 5.6             |
| BB                              | 47.8            |
| B                               | 36.2            |
| Less than B                     | 8.1             |
| Unrated                         | 0.4             |

| <b>Net Currency Exposure of the ETF</b> | <b>% of NAV</b> |
|---|-----------------|
| Canadian dollar                         | 103.1           |
| U.S. dollar                             | (3.1)           |

\* The Fund is currently fully invested in Xtrackers USD High Yield Corporate Bond ETF (the "Underlying ETF"). For the prospectus and other information about the Underlying ETF, visit [www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml](http://www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml).

\*\* Credit ratings and rating categories are based on ratings issued by a designated rating organization.

## Top 25 Holdings of the Underlying ETF

| <b>Issuer</b>   | <b>% of NAV</b> |
|---|-----------------|
| Cash and short-term investments   | 1.9             |
| Numericable-SFR 7.38% 05-01-2026 Callable 2021  | 0.5             |
| CCO Holdings LLC 5.13% 05-01-2027 Callable 2022   | 0.5             |
| Numericable-SFR 6.00% 05-15-2022 Callable   | 0.4             |
| Sprint Corp. 7.875% 09-15-2023  | 0.3             |
| The Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC 5.125% 05-28-2024  | 0.3             |
| Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings Inc. 6.50% 11-15-2022 Callable   | 0.3             |
| VRX Escrow Corp. 6.125% 04-15-2025 Callable 2020  | 0.3             |
| Nielsen Finance LLC/Nielsen Finance Co. 5.00% 04-15-2022 Callable   | 0.3             |
| VRX Escrow Corp. 5.875% 05-15-2023 Callable 2018  | 0.3             |
| Centene Corp. 4.75% 05-22-2021 Callable   | 0.3             |
| CHS/Community Health Systems Inc. 6.25% 03-31-2023 Callable   | 0.3             |
| HCA Inc. 6.50% 02-15-2020 Callable  | 0.3             |
| HCA Inc. 5.875% 03-15-2022  | 0.3             |
| HCA Inc. 7.50% 02-15-2022 Callable  | 0.3             |
| Reynolds Group Issuer Inc./Reynolds Group Issuer LLC/<br>Reynolds Group Issuer Lu 5.75% 10-15-2020 Callable | 0.3             |
| Altice Financing SA 7.50% 05-15-2026  | 0.3             |
| First Data Corp. 7.00% 12-01-2023 Callable 2018   | 0.3             |
| SoftBank Group Corp. 4.50% 04-15-2020   | 0.3             |
| New Red Finance Inc. 5.00% 10-15-2025 Callable 2020   | 0.3             |
| Tenet Healthcare Corp. 8.13% 04-01-2022   | 0.3             |
| CCO Holdings LLC 5.00% 02-01-2028   | 0.3             |
| Valeant Pharmaceuticals International Inc. 7.00% 03-15-2024<br>Callable 2020                                | 0.3             |
| First Data Corp. 5.75% 01-15-2024 Callable 2019   | 0.3             |
| CCO Holdings LLC 5.75% 02-15-2026   | 0.3             |

**Top long positions as a percentage of total net asset value** **9.4**

The Underlying ETF held no short positions at the end of the period.

The investments and percentages may have changed since March 31, 2018, due to the ongoing portfolio transactions of the ETF and the Underlying ETF.



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## Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the ETF and are intended to help you understand the ETF's financial performance for each of the fiscal periods presented below. In the period when the ETF was established, "period" represents the period from inception to the end of that fiscal period. The inception date can be found under *Past Performance*.

### THE ETF'S NET ASSETS PER SECURITY (\$)¹

|   | Mar. 31       |
|---|---------------|
| Series E (Ticker: QHY)                            | 2018          |
| <b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>            | <b>100.00</b> |
| <b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>       |               |
| Total revenue                                     | 0.64          |
| Total expenses                                    | (0.10)        |
| Realized gains (losses) for the period            | (3.30)        |
| Unrealized gains (losses) for the period          | 2.19          |
| <b>Total increase (decrease) from operations²</b> | <b>(0.57)</b> |
| <b>Distributions:</b>                             |               |
| From net investment income (excluding dividends)  | —             |
| From dividends                                    | 0.92          |
| From capital gains                                | —             |
| Return of capital                                 | —             |
| <b>Total annual distributions³</b>                | <b>0.92</b>   |
| <b>Net assets, end of period</b>                  | <b>97.35</b>  |

(1) These calculations are prescribed by securities regulations and are not intended to be a reconciliation between opening and closing net assets per unit. This information is derived from the ETF's audited annual financial statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements may differ from the net asset value per unit calculated for ETF pricing purposes. An explanation of these differences can be found in the *Notes to Financial Statements*.

(2) Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the fiscal period.

(3) Distributions were paid in cash/reinvested in additional units of the ETF, or both.

## RATIOS AND SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

|   | Mar. 31 |
|---|---------|
| Series E (Ticker: QHY)                                      | 2018    |
| Total net asset value (\$000)¹                              | 3,894   |
| Units outstanding (000)¹                                    | 40      |
| Management expense ratio (%)²                               | 0.57    |
| Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)² | 0.77    |
| Trading expense ratio (%)³                                  | 0.01    |
| Trading expense ratio before reimbursements(%)³             | 0.01    |
| Portfolio turnover rate (%)⁴                                | n/a     |
| Net asset value per unit (\$)                               | 97.35   |
| Closing market price (\$)⁵                                  | 97.39   |

(1) This information is provided as at the end of the fiscal period shown.

(2) Management expense ratio is based on total expenses (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period. If the ETF was established in the period, the management expense ratio is annualized from the date of inception. Mackenzie may waive or absorb operating expenses at its discretion and stop waiving or absorbing such expenses at any time without notice.

(3) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period. Mackenzie may reimburse the ETF for certain brokerage commissions and other transaction costs (including those payable to the custodian or its agents). Mackenzie may make these reimbursements at its discretion and stop these reimbursements at any time without notice.

(4) The ETF's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the ETF's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the ETF buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher an ETF's portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the ETF in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of an ETF. The portfolio turnover rate is not provided when the ETF is less than one year old.

(5) Closing market price, or the midpoint of the bid and ask prices in the absence of a closing market price, on the last trading day of the period as reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange.



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