

JOHN HANCOCK PREFERRED INCOME FUND  
Form N-Q  
June 28, 2016

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM N-Q**

**QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED  
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES**

Investment Company Act file number 811- 21131

John Hancock Preferred Income Fund  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

601 Congress Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02210  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Salvatore Schiavone, Treasurer

601 Congress Street

Boston, Massachusetts 02210

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 617-663-4497

Date of fiscal year end: July 31

Date of reporting period: April 30, 2016

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ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

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John Hancock

Preferred Income Fund

**Quarterly portfolio holdings 4/30/16**

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## Fund's investments Preferred Income Fund

**As of 4-30-16 (unaudited)**

	Shares	Value
Preferred securities 144.1% (95.8% of Total investments) (Cost \$781,346,521)		\$829,454,525
Consumer staples 2.1%		12,382,913
Food and staples retailing 2.1%		
Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc., Series A, 6.250% (S)	143,000	12,382,913
Energy 4.7%		27,290,880
Oil, gas and consumable fuels 4.7%		
Kinder Morgan, Inc., 9.750%	618,000	27,290,880
Financials 83.6%		481,195,974
Banks 41.9%		
Bank of America Corp., 6.500%	115,000	3,036,000
Bank of America Corp., 145,000	3,732,300	
Depository Shares, Series D, 6.204%		
Barclays Bank PLC, Series 3, 7.100%	205,000	5,313,600
Barclays Bank PLC, Series 5, 8.125% (Z)	740,000	19,521,200

BB&T  
 Corp., 420,000 10,605,000  
 5.200% (Z)

BB&T  
 Corp., 450,000 11,574,000  
 5.625% (Z)

Citigroup  
 Capital 15,000 392,250  
 XIII,  
 7.008% (P)

Citigroup,  
 Inc., 65,000 1,688,700  
 5.800%

Citigroup,  
 Inc., 60,000 1,615,200  
 6.875%

Citigroup,  
 Inc.  
 (6.875%  
 to  
 11-15-23,  
 then 410,175 11,316,728  
 3  
 month  
 LIBOR  
 +  
 4.130%)

Citigroup,  
 Inc.  
 (7.125%  
 to  
 9-30-23,  
 then 162,773 4,551,133  
 3  
 month  
 LIBOR  
 +  
 4.040%)

First  
 Republic 95,000 2,620,100  
 Bank,  
 7.000%

HSBC  
 USA,  
 Inc., 140,234 3,650,291  
 6.500%

ING  
 Groep 61,500 1,575,015  
 NV,  
 6.125% (Z)

750,000 19,740,000

ING  
 Groep  
 NV,  
 7.050% (Z)  
 ING  
 Groep 100,000 2,622,000  
 NV,  
 7.200% (Z)  
 JPMorgan  
 Chase  
 & 400,000 10,192,000  
 Co.,  
 5.450% (Z)  
 JPMorgan  
 Chase  
 & 61,961 1,566,994  
 Co.,  
 5.500%  
 JPMorgan  
 Chase  
 & 122,000 3,187,860  
 Co.,  
 6.100%  
 JPMorgan  
 Chase  
 & 670,000 17,493,700  
 Co.,  
 6.125%  
 JPMorgan  
 Chase  
 & 25,000 658,750  
 Co.,  
 6.300% (Z)  
 RBS  
 Capital  
 Funding 620,000 15,128,000  
 Trust  
 V,  
 5.900%  
 RBS  
 Capital  
 Funding 220,000 5,401,000  
 Trust  
 VII,  
 6.080%  
 Regions  
 Financial 126,074 3,303,139  
 Corp.,  
 6.375%  
 Royal 560,000 13,552,000  
 Bank

of  
 Scotland  
 Group  
 PLC,  
 Series L, 5.750%  
 Santander  
 Holdings  
 USA, 365,000 9,398,750  
 Inc.,  
 Series C, 7.300%  
 The  
 PNC  
 Financial  
 Services 30,000 773,700  
 Group,  
 Inc.,  
 5.375%  
 The  
 PNC  
 Financial  
 Services  
 Group,  
 Inc.  
 (6.125%  
 to 187,000 5,406,170  
 5-1-22,  
 then  
 3  
 month  
 LIBOR  
 +  
 4.067%) (Z)  
 U.S.  
 Bancorp  
 (6.000%  
 to  
 4-15-17,  
 then 240,000 6,338,400  
 3  
 month  
 LIBOR  
 +  
 4.861%) (Z)  
 U.S. 705,000 20,839,800  
 Bancorp  
 (6.500%  
 to  
 1-15-22,  
 then  
 3  
 month

LIBOR

+

4.468%) (Z)

Wells

Fargo

& 127,000 3,382,010

Company,

6.000%

Wells

Fargo

& 756,000 21,296,520

Company,

8.000% (Z)

Capital markets 13.5%

Deutsche

Bank

Contingent

Capital 252,500 6,287,250

Trust

II,

6.550% (Z)

Deutsche

Bank

Contingent

Capital 510,000 13,219,200

Trust

III,

7.600%

Morgan

Stanley, 80,000 2,163,200

6.625%

Morgan

Stanley

(6.375%

to

10-15-24,

then 85,000 2,254,200

3

month

LIBOR

+

3.708%)

Morgan

Stanley

Capital

Trust 291,000 7,493,250

III,

6.250% (Z)

Morgan 323,000 8,297,870

Stanley

Capital

Trust  
IV,  
6.250% (Z)

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## Preferred Income Fund

	Shares	Value
Financials (continued)		
Capital markets (continued)		
Morgan Stanley Capital Trust V, 5.750%	365,000	\$9,329,400
State Street Corp., 5.250%	155,000	4,064,100
State Street Corp., 6.000% (Z)	580,600	15,687,812
The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., 5.950%	185,100	4,749,666
The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., Series B, 6.200% (Z)	160,000	4,076,800
Consumer finance 6.5%		
Capital One Financial Corp., 6.200% (I)	274,250	7,242,943
Capital One Financial Corp., 6.700%	52,929	1,452,372
HSBC Finance Corp., Depository Shares, Series B,	702,121	18,213,019

6.360% (Z)

Navient

Corp., 173,500 3,341,610

6.000%

SLM

Corp., 147,391 6,964,225

Series A, 6.970%

Insurance 9.1%

Aegon

NV, 520,000 13,374,400

6.375% (Z)

Aegon

NV, 260,000 6,799,000

6.500% (Z)

Prudential

Financial, 140,000 3,694,600  
Inc.,

5.750%

Prudential

PLC, 154,500 4,043,265

6.500% (Z)

Prudential

PLC, 51,000 1,346,400

6.750%

RenaissanceRe

Holdings 25,000 639,499  
Ltd.,

Series C, 6.080%

W.R.

Berkley 885,000 22,514,400  
Corp.,

5.625% (Z)

Real estate investment  
trusts 12.5%

Digital

Realty

Trust, 27,460 763,388

Inc.,

7.375%

Kimco

Realty 895,000 23,377,400  
Corp.,

6.000% (Z)

Public

Storage, 125,000 3,250,000

5.200%

Public

Storage, 449,500 11,826,345

5.750% (Z)

Public 225,000 5,773,500

Storage,

6.350%  
 Senior  
 Housing  
 Properties 827,000 20,881,750  
 Trust,  
 5.625% (Z)  
 Ventas  
 Realty 245,000 6,291,600  
 LP,  
 5.450% (Z)  
 Thrifts and mortgage  
 finance 0.1%  
 Federal  
 National  
 Mortgage 80,000 311,200  
 Association,  
 Series S,  
 8.250% (I)  
 Industrials 2.3% 13,023,450  
 Machinery 2.3%  
 Stanley  
 Black  
 &  
 Decker, 495,000 13,023,450  
 Inc.,  
 5.750%  
 Telecommunication  
 services 11.9% 68,511,255  
 Diversified telecommunication  
 services 5.4%  
 Qwest  
 Corp., 30,000 734,700  
 6.125% (Z)  
 Qwest  
 Corp., 20,000 510,000  
 7.000% (Z)  
 Qwest  
 Corp., 750,000 19,170,000  
 7.375% (Z)  
 Qwest  
 Corp., 232,500 5,977,575  
 7.500% (Z)  
 Verizon  
 Communications  
 Inc., 168,000 4,609,500  
 5.900%  
 Wireless telecommunication  
 services 6.5%  
 Telephone 233,000 5,997,420  
 &  
 Data

Systems,  
Inc.,  
6.625% (Z)  
Telephone  
&  
Data  
Systems, 103,000 2,628,560  
Inc.,  
6.875%  
Telephone  
&  
Data  
Systems, 340,000 8,642,800  
Inc.,  
7.000% (Z)  
United  
States  
Cellular 795,000 20,240,700  
Corp.,  
6.950% (Z)  
SEE NOTES TO FUND'S INVESTMENTS3

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## Preferred Income Fund

	Shares	Value
Utilities 39.5%		\$227,050,053
Electric utilities 30.2%		
Duke Energy Corp., 5.125% (Z)	920,000	24,196,000
Entergy Arkansas, Inc., 5.750%	47,500	1,201,275
Entergy Louisiana LLC, 5.250% (Z)	240,000	6,067,200
Entergy Louisiana LLC, 5.875%	252,625	6,404,044
Entergy Louisiana LLC, 6.000%	158,464	4,045,586
Entergy Mississippi, Inc., 6.000% (Z)	371,000	9,445,660
Entergy Mississippi, Inc., 6.200%	89,294	2,315,393
FPL Group Capital Trust I, 5.875% (Z)	345,000	9,004,500
Gulf Power Company, 5.750%	145,000	3,665,600
HECO Capital Trust III, 6.500%	379,850	10,047,033
Interstate Power & Light Company, 5.100% (Z)	270,000	7,311,600
NextEra Energy Capital Holdings, Inc., 5.700% (Z)	905,000	23,448,550
NSTAR Electric	15,143	1,510,514

Company, 4.780% (Z) PPL Capital Funding, Inc., 5.900% (Z)	1,312,439	35,002,748
SCE Trust I, 5.625%	240,000	6,141,600
SCE Trust II, 5.100% (Z)	549,000	13,862,250
SCE Trust III (5.750% to 3-15-24, then 3 month LIBOR + 2.990%) (Z)	20,000	544,000
The Southern Company, 6.250% (Z)	350,000	9,474,500
Multi-utilities 9.3% Baltimore Gas & Electric Company, Series 1995, 6.990%	40,000	4,124,800
BGE Capital Trust II, 6.200% (Z)	710,000	18,460,000
DTE Energy Company, 5.250%	520,000	13,473,200
DTE Energy Company, 6.500% (Z)	400,000	10,440,000
Integrus Holding, Inc. (6.000% to 8-1-23, then 3 month LIBOR + 3.220%) (Z)	260,000	6,864,000
Common stocks 3.7% (2.4% of Total investments) (Cost \$19,293,640)		\$21,055,390
Energy 3.2%		18,266,890
Oil, gas and consumable fuels 3.2%		
Royal Dutch Shell PLC, ADR, Class A	155,000	8,197,950
	322,000	10,068,940

Spectra Energy Corp. (Z)				
Utilities 0.5%			2,788,500	
Multi-utilities 0.5%				
CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (Z)	130,000		2,788,500	
Rate (%)	Maturity date	Par value^	Value	
Corporate bonds 1.7% (1.2% of Total investments) (Cost \$12,936,023)			\$10,004,500	
Energy 0.9%			5,192,000	
Oil, gas and consumable fuels 0.9%				
Energy Transfer Partners LP (P)(Z)	3.633	11-01-66	8,800,000	5,192,000
Utilities 0.8%			4,812,500	
Multi-utilities 0.8%				
Dominion Resources, Inc. (5.750% to 10-1-24, then 3 month LIBOR + 3.057%)	5.750	10-01-54	5,000,000	4,812,500

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## Preferred Income Fund

Yield * (%)	Maturity date	Par value^	Value
Short-term investments 0.9% (0.6% of Total investments)			\$4,841,974
(Cost \$4,841,974)			
U.S. Government Agency 0.8%		4,716,974	
Federal Home Loan Bank Discount Note			
0.200	05-02-16	4,717,000	4,716,974
Repurchase agreement 0.1%		125,000	
Repurchase Agreement with State Street Corp. dated 4-29-16 at 0.030% to be repurchased at \$125,000 on 5-2-16, collateralized by \$130,000 U.S. Treasury Notes, 1.125% due 2-28-21 (valued at \$128,863, including interest)		125,000	125,000
<b>Total investments (Cost \$818,418,158)</b>			<b>\$865,356,389</b>
<b>150.4%</b>			
<b>Other assets and liabilities, net (50.4%)</b>			<b>(\$289,902,970)</b>
<b>Total net assets 100.0%</b>			<b>\$575,453,419</b>

The percentage shown for each investment category is the total value of the category

as a percentage of the  
net assets of the fund.

^All par values are  
denominated in U.S.  
dollars unless  
otherwise indicated.

**Key to Security**

**Abbreviations and**

**Legend**

ADR	American Depositary Receipts
LIBOR	London Interbank Offered Rate
(I)	Non-income producing security. Variable rate obligation.
(P)	The coupon rate shown represents the rate at period end. These securities are exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933. Such
(S)	securities may be resold, normally to qualified institutional buyers, in transactions exempt from registration.
(Z)	A portion of this security is segregated as collateral pursuant to the Credit Facility Agreement. Total collateral value at

4-30-16 was  
\$474,083,855.

Yield  
represents  
either the  
annualized  
yield at the  
date of

\* purchase, the  
stated coupon  
rate or, for  
floating rate  
securities, the  
rate at period  
end.

At 4-30-16,  
the aggregate  
cost of  
investment  
securities for  
federal income  
tax purposes  
was

\$818,418,762.

Net unrealized  
appreciation  
aggregated to  
\$46,937,627,  
of which  
\$54,301,843  
related to  
appreciated  
investment  
securities and  
\$7,364,216  
related to  
depreciated  
investment  
securities.

The fund had the following country composition as a percentage of net assets on 4-30-16:

United States	88.8%
Netherlands	6.0%
United Kingdom	5.1%
Other countries	0.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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## Notes to Fund's investments (unaudited)

**Security valuation.** Investments are stated at value as of the scheduled close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), normally at 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time. In case of emergency or other disruption resulting in the NYSE not opening for trading or the NYSE closing at a time other than the regularly scheduled close, the net asset value may be determined as of the regularly scheduled close of the NYSE pursuant to the fund's Valuation Policies and Procedures. The time at which shares and transactions are priced and until which orders are accepted may vary to the extent permitted by the Securities and Exchange Commission and applicable regulations. In order to value the securities, the fund uses the following valuation techniques: Equity securities held by the fund are typically valued at the last sale price or official closing price on the exchange or principal market where the security was acquired or most likely will be sold. In the event there were no sales during the day or closing prices are not available, the securities are valued using the last available bid price. Debt obligations are valued based on the evaluated prices provided by an independent pricing vendor or from broker-dealers. Independent pricing vendors utilize matrix pricing which takes into account factors such as institutional-size trading in similar groups of securities, yield, quality, coupon rate, maturity, type of issue, trading characteristics and other market data, as well as broker supplied prices. Swaps are valued using evaluated prices obtained from an independent pricing vendor. Futures contracts are valued at settlement prices, which are the official closing prices published by the exchange on which they trade.

In certain instances, the Pricing Committee may determine to value equity securities using prices obtained from another exchange or market if trading on the exchange or market on which prices are typically obtained did not open for trading as scheduled, or if trading closed earlier than scheduled, and trading occurred as normal on another exchange or market.

Other portfolio securities and assets, for which reliable market quotations are not readily available, are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the fund's Pricing Committee following procedures established by the Board of Trustees. The frequency with which these fair valuation procedures are used cannot be predicted and fair value of securities may differ significantly from the value that would have been used had a ready market for such securities existed.

The fund uses a three-tier hierarchy to prioritize the pricing assumptions, referred to as inputs, used in valuation techniques to measure fair value. Level 1 includes securities valued using quoted prices in active markets for identical securities. Level 2 includes securities valued using other significant observable inputs. Observable inputs may include quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds and credit risk. Prices for securities valued using these inputs are received from independent pricing vendors and brokers and are based on an evaluation of the inputs described. Level 3 includes securities valued using significant unobservable inputs when market prices are not readily available or reliable, including the fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments. Factors used in determining value may include market or issuer specific events or trends, changes in interest rates and credit quality. The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. Changes in valuation techniques and related inputs may result in transfers into or out of an assigned level within the disclosure hierarchy.

The following is a summary of the values by input classification of the fund's investments as of April 30, 2016 by major security category or type:

	<b>Total value at 4-30-16</b>	<b>Level 1 quoted price</b>	<b>Level 2 significant observable inputs</b>	<b>Level 3 significant unobservable inputs</b>
<b>Preferred securities</b>				
Consumer staples	<b>\$12,382,913</b>		\$12,382,913	

Energy	<b>27,290,880</b>	\$27,290,880	
Financials	<b>481,195,974</b>	481,195,974	
Industrials	<b>13,023,450</b>	13,023,450	
Telecommunication services	<b>68,511,255</b>	63,901,755	4,609,500
Utilities	<b>227,050,053</b>	216,061,253	10,988,800
<b>Common stocks</b>	<b>21,055,390</b>	21,055,390	
<b>Corporate bonds</b>	<b>10,004,500</b>		10,004,500
<b>Short-term investments</b>	<b>4,841,974</b>		4,841,974
<b>Total investments in securities</b>	<b>\$865,356,389</b>	<b>\$822,528,702</b>	<b>\$42,827,687</b>
<b>Other financial instruments:</b>			
Futures	<b>\$438,353</b>	\$438,353	
Interest rate swaps	<b>(495,597 )</b>		(\$495,597 )

Securities with a market value of approximately \$7,183,800 at the beginning of the year were transferred from Level 1 to Level 2 during the period since quoted prices in active markets for identical securities were no longer available and securities were valued using other significant inputs.

**Repurchase agreements.** The fund may enter into repurchase agreements. When the fund enters into a repurchase agreement, it receives collateral that is held in a segregated account by the fund's custodian. The collateral amount is marked-to-market and monitored on a daily basis to ensure that the collateral held is in an amount not less than the principal amount of the repurchase agreement plus any accrued interest. Collateral received by the fund for repurchase agreements is disclosed in the Fund's investments as part of the caption related to the repurchase agreement.

Repurchase agreements are typically governed by the terms and conditions of the Master Repurchase Agreement and/or Global Master Repurchase Agreement (collectively, MRA). Upon an event of default, the non-defaulting party may close out all transactions traded under the MRA and net amounts owed. Absent an event of

default, assets and liabilities resulting from repurchase agreements are not offset. In the event of a default by the counterparty, realization of the collateral proceeds could be delayed, during which time the collateral value may decline or the counterparty may have insufficient assets to pay back claims resulting from close-out of the transactions.

**Derivative instruments.** The fund may invest in derivatives in order to meet its investment objectives. Derivatives include a variety of different instruments that may be traded in the over-the-counter OTC market, on a regulated exchange or through a clearing facility. The risks in using derivatives vary depending upon the structure of the instruments, including the use of leverage, optionality, the liquidity or lack of liquidity of the contract, the creditworthiness of the counterparty or clearing organization and the volatility of the position. Some derivatives involve risks that are potentially greater than the risks associated with investing directly in the referenced securities or other referenced underlying instrument. Specifically, the fund is exposed to the risk that the counterparty to an OTC derivatives contract will be unable or unwilling to make timely settlement payments or otherwise honor its obligations. OTC derivatives transactions typically can only be closed out with the other party to the transaction.

**Futures.** A futures contract is a contractual agreement to buy or sell a particular currency or financial instrument at a pre-determined price in the future. Risks related to the use of futures contracts include possible illiquidity of the futures markets and contract prices that can be highly volatile and imperfectly correlated to movements in the underlying financial instrument. Use of long futures contracts subjects the funds to the risk of loss up to the notional value of the futures contracts. Use of short futures contracts subjects the funds to unlimited risk of loss.

During the period ended April 30, 2016, the fund used futures contracts to manage against anticipated interest rate changes. The following table summarizes the contracts held at April 30, 2016.

Open Contracts	Number of contracts	Position	Expiration date	Notional basis	Notional value	Unrealized appreciation (depreciation)
10-Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures	640	Short	Jun 2016	(\$83,678,353)	(\$83,240,000)	\$438,353
						<b>\$438,353</b>

Notional basis refers to the contractual amount agreed upon at inception of open contracts; notional value represents the current value of the open contract.

**Interest rate swaps.** Interest rate swaps represent an agreement between the fund and a counterparty to exchange cash flows based on the difference between two interest rates applied to a notional amount. The payment flows are usually netted against each other, with the difference being paid by one party to the other. The fund settles accrued net interest receivable or payable under the swap contracts at specified, future intervals.

During the period ended April 30, 2016, the fund used interest rate swaps to manage against anticipated interest rate changes. The following table summarizes the interest rate swap contracts held as of April 30, 2016.

Counterparty	Notional amount	Payments made by fund	Payments received by fund	Termination date	Market value
Morgan Stanley Capital Services	\$68,000,000	Fixed 1.4625%	3 Month LIBOR <sup>(a)</sup>	Aug 2016	(\$283,649)
Morgan Stanley Capital Services	68,000,000	Fixed 0.8750%	3 Month LIBOR <sup>(a)</sup>	Jul 2017	(211,948 )
	<b>\$136,000,000</b>				<b>(\$495,597)</b>

<sup>(a)</sup> At 4-30-16, the 3-month LIBOR rate was 0.63660%

For additional information on the fund's significant accounting policies, please refer to the fund's most recent semiannual or annual shareholder report.

More information

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This report is for the information of the shareholders of John Hancock Preferred Income Fund.

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**ITEM 2. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.**

(a) Based upon their evaluation of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as conducted within 90 days of the filing date of this Form N-Q, the registrant's principal executive officer and principal accounting officer have concluded that those disclosure controls and procedures provide reasonable assurance that the material information required to be disclosed by the registrant on this report is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

(b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

**ITEM 3. EXHIBITS.**

Separate certifications for the registrant's principal executive officer and principal accounting officer, as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, are attached.

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SIGNATURES

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

John Hancock Preferred Income Fund

By:

/s/ Andrew Arnott

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Andrew Arnott

President

Date: June 17, 2016

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

By:

/s/ Andrew Arnott

Andrew Arnott

President

Date: June 17, 2016

By:

/s/ Charles A. Rizzo

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Charles A. Rizzo

Chief Financial Officer

Date: June 17, 2016