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Item 1 - Report to Stockholders

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Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc.

Annual Report May 31, 2004

Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc. seeks to provide shareholders with high current income exempt from Federal income taxes by investing primarily in a portfolio of municipal obligations, the interest on which, in the opinion of bond counsel to the issuer, is exempt from Federal income taxes.

This report, including the financial information herein, is transmitted to shareholders of Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc. for their information. It is not a prospectus. The Fund has leveraged its Common Stock and intends to remain leveraged by issuing Preferred Stock to provide the Common Stock shareholders

with a potentially higher rate of return. Leverage creates risks for Common Stock shareholders, including the likelihood of greater volatility of net asset value and market price of shares of the Common Stock, and the risk that fluctuations in the short-term dividend rates of the Preferred Stock may affect the yield to Common Stock shareholders. Past performance results shown in this report should not be considered a representation of future performance. Statements and other information herein are as dated and are subject to change.

A description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available (1) without charge, upon request, by calling toll-free 1-800-MER-FUND (1-800-637-3863); (2) at www.mutualfunds.ml.com; and (3) on the Securities and Exchange Commission's website at http://www.sec.gov.

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The Benefits and Risks of Leveraging

Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc. utilizes leveraging to seek to enhance the yield and net asset value of its Common Stock. However, these objectives cannot be achieved in all interest rate environments. To leverage, the Fund issues Preferred Stock, which pays dividends at prevailing short-term interest rates, and invests the proceeds in long-term municipal bonds. The interest earned on these investments, net of dividends to Preferred Stock, is paid to Common Stock shareholders in the form of dividends, and the value of these portfolio holdings is reflected in the per share net asset value of the Fund's Common Stock. However, in order to benefit Common Stock shareholders, the yield curve must be positively sloped; that is, short-term interest rates must be lower than longterm interest rates. At the same time, a period of generally declining interest rates will benefit Common Stock shareholders. If either of these conditions change, then the risks of leveraging will begin to outweigh the benefits.

To illustrate these concepts, assume a fund's Common Stock capitalization of \$100 million and the issuance of Preferred Stock for an additional \$50 million, creating a total value of \$150 million available for investment in long-term municipal bonds. If prevailing short-term interest rates are approximately 3% and long-term interest rates are approximately 6%, the yield curve has a strongly positive slope. The fund pays dividends on the \$50 million

of Preferred Stock based on the lower short-term interest rates. At the same time, the fund's total portfolio of \$150 million earns the income based on long-term interest rates. Of course, increases in short-term interest rates would reduce (and even eliminate) the dividends on the Common Stock.

In this case, the dividends paid to Preferred Stock shareholders are significantly lower than the income earned on the fund's long-term investments, and therefore the Common Stock shareholders are the beneficiaries of the incremental yield. However, if short-term interest rates rise, narrowing the differential between short-term and long-term interest rates, the incremental yield pickup on the Common Stock will be reduced or eliminated completely. At the same time, the market value of the fund's Common Stock (that is, its price as listed on the New York Stock Exchange) may, as a result, decline. Furthermore, if long-term interest rates rise, the Common Stock's net asset value will reflect the full decline in the price of the portfolio's investments, since the value of the fund's Preferred Stock does not fluctuate. In addition to the decline in net asset value, the market value of the fund's Common Stock may also decline.

As a part of its investment strategy, the Fund may invest in certain securities whose potential income return is inversely related to changes in a floating interest rate ("inverse floaters"). In general, income on inverse floaters will decrease when short-term interest rates increase and increase when short-term interest rates decrease. Investments in inverse floaters may be characterized as derivative securities and may subject the Fund to the risks of reduced or eliminated interest payments and losses of invested principal. In addition, inverse floaters have the effect of providing investment leverage and, as a result, the market value of such securities will generally be more volatile than that of fixed-rate, tax-exempt securities. To the extent the Fund invests in inverse floaters, the market value of the Fund's portfolio and the net asset value of the Fund's shares may also be more volatile than if the Fund did not invest in such securities. As of May 31, 2004, none of the Fund's net assets were invested in inverse floaters.

Swap Agreements

The Fund may also invest in swap agreements, which are over-the-counter contracts in which one party agrees to make periodic payments based on the change in market value of a specified bond, basket of bonds, or index in return for periodic payments based on a fixed or variable interest rate or the change in market value of a different bond, basket of bonds or index. Swap agreements may be used to obtain exposure to a bond or market without owning or taking physical custody of securities. Swap agreements involve the risk that the party with whom the Fund has entered into the swap will default on its obligation to pay the Fund and the risk that the Fund will not be able to meet its obligations to pay the other party to the agreement.

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A Letter From the President

Dear Shareholder

For the six-month and 12-month periods ended May 31, 2004, the Lehman Brothers Municipal Bond Index posted respective returns of -.22% and -.03%. Its taxable counterpart, the Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Index, returned +.60% for the six-month period and -.44% for the 12-month period ended May 31, 2004. Amid considerable month-to-month volatility, tax-exempt bond yields rose over the past year, generally mimicking the movement of U.S. Treasury yields. Given their tax-exempt status, however, municipal bonds continued to be an attractive fixed income investment alternative.

By May month-end, the Federal Reserve Board appeared poised to raise the Federal Funds target rate from its 45-year low of 1%. This anticipated shift in monetary policy was largely prompted by better-than-expected employment reports for the months of March, April and May, as well as by rising producer prices. The good news on the employment front - previously a dim spot in an otherwise bright economic picture - helped cause the yield on the 10-year Treasury bond to spike 75 basis points (.75%), from 3.91% on April 1 to 4.66% on May 28.

Equity markets, in the meantime, gleaned support from the improving economic environment and provided attractive returns. Although we did experience a market correction toward the end of the period, for the six months and 12 months ended May 31, 2004, the Standard & Poor's 500 Index returned +6.79% and +18.33%, respectively. Significant fiscal and monetary stimulus in 2003, including low interest rates and tax cuts, opened the door to consumer spending, capital spending, increases in exports and long-awaited job growth. As expected, these developments led the way to improvements in corporate earnings - a positive for stock markets.

The events and efforts of the past year leave us with a much stronger economy today. Of course, markets will always fluctuate, and there are many uncertainties — including the possibility of geopolitical events — that can translate into negative market movements. Keeping this in mind, however, we encourage you to revisit your portfolio and your asset allocation strategy to ensure you are well positioned to take advantage of the opportunities that lie ahead. Importantly, your financial advisor can help you develop a strategy most suitable for your circumstances through all types of market and economic cycles.

We thank you for trusting Merrill Lynch Investment Managers with your investment assets, and we look forward to serving you in the months and years ahead.

Sincerely,

(Terry K. Glenn)
Terry K. Glenn
President and Director

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A Discussion With Your Fund's Portfolio Manager

We maintained the portfolio's defensive stance throughout the period, as we believe this positioning readies the Fund for relative outperformance once interest rates begin to rise.

Describe the recent market environment relative to municipal bonds.

Amid considerable volatility, yields on long-term fixed income securities moved higher over the past 12 months as bond prices - which move opposite of yields - fell. The rise in bond yields was largely driven by robust economic activity and long-awaited job growth.

At the start of the period, bond yields declined (and prices rose) as the Federal Reserve Board lowered short-term interest rates in order to bolster the then sputtering U.S. economic activity. Longterm U.S. Treasury bond yields had fallen to their recent historic low of 4.17% by mid-June 2003. As economic growth gained steam, yields rose (and prices declined) dramatically until again turning downward on continued reports of lackluster job growth. The trend reversed once more in early April 2004 when a surprisingly strong monthly employment report triggered fears that the long-accommodative Federal Reserve Board might raise interest rates sooner than many had expected. As a result, bond yields rose (prices fell) for the remainder of the period.

At the end of May, long-term bond yields had risen to 5.35%, an increase of nearly 100 basis points (1.00%) over the 12-month period. Ten-year U.S. Treasury note yields ended May at 4.65%, an increase of more than 125 basis points during the past year. Tax-exempt bond yields generally mimicked the movement of their taxable counterparts, although volatility in the municipal market was more subdued. Long-term revenue bond yields, as measured by the Bond Buyer Revenue Bond Index, rose approximately 55 basis points during the past 12 months. For the same period, yields on AAA-rated issues maturing in 30 years rose approximately 65 basis points to 4.99% while yields on 10-year, AAA-rated issues increased more than 80 basis points to nearly 3.95%, according to Municipal Market Data.

The more marked increase in 10-year bond yields may be attributed to the fact that recent issuance has been heavily concentrated in the 10-year - 20-year range. The resulting supply imbalance prompted higher intermediate bond yields (and lower prices). Longer-maturity and lower-rated issues continued to benefit from more favorable supply/demand factors and, therefore, have seen less price depreciation. Overall, in the past 12 months, nearly \$385 billion in long-term tax-exempt bonds was issued, comparable to the prior year's issuance. In more recent months, however, the pace of underwriting has quickened. More than \$92 billion in long-term municipal obligations was marketed in the past three months, an increase of more than 12.5% compared to the same period a year ago.

While investor enthusiasm for stocks has taken some attention away from fixed income markets, overall demand for tax-exempt municipal

bonds has remained positive. Recent Federal Reserve Board statistics showed that U.S. household holdings of municipal securities increased by more than \$25 billion during the fourth quarter of 2003 to approximately \$680 billion.

How did the Fund perform during the fiscal year in light of the existing market conditions?

Since inception (August 1, 2003) through May 31, 2004, the Common Stock of Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc. had net annualized yields of 5.93% and 6.58%, based on a period-end per share net asset value of \$14.52 and a per share market price of \$13.10, respectively, and \$.720 per share income dividends. Over the same period, the total investment return on the Fund's Common Stock was +6.09%, based on a change in per share net asset value from \$14.33 to \$14.52, and assuming reinvestment of \$.648 per share ordinary income dividends.

For the six-month period ended May 31, 2004, the total investment return on the Fund's Common Stock was +.62%, based on a change in per share net asset value from \$14.88 to \$14.52, and assuming reinvestment of \$.432 per share income dividends.

For the six-month period ended May 31, 2004, the Fund's Auction Market Preferred Stock (AMPS) had an average yield of .91%.

The Fund's total return, based on net asset value, since inception through May 31, 2004 lagged the +7.01% average return of the Lipper General Municipal Debt Funds (Leveraged) category for the same period. (Funds in this Lipper category invest primarily in municipal debt issues rated in the top four credit-rating categories. These funds can be leveraged via use of debt, preferred equity and/or reverse repurchase agreements.)

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Since its inception, we have positioned the Fund to be less sensitive to interest rate changes than the average longer-maturity, closed-end, leveraged municipal bond fund. Given the historically low interest rate environment, our goal was to seek to protect the Fund's net asset value from any negative price impact associated with an eventual rise in interest rates. While this strategy resulted in a lower relative total return than the Lipper category, in a period generally characterized by falling interest rates (since the Fund's inception on August 1, 2003) we believe it effectively positions the Fund for relative outperformance when interest rates ultimately head higher. In fact, we expect long-term interest rates to rise in the coming months.

For a description of the Fund's total investment return based on a change in the per share market value of the Fund's Common Stock (as measured by the trading price of the Fund's shares on the New York Stock Exchange), and assuming reinvestment of dividends, please refer to the Financial Highlights section included in this report. As a closed-end fund, the Fund's shares may trade in the secondary market at a premium or discount to the Fund's net asset value. As a result, total investment returns based on changes in the market

value of the Fund's Common Stock can vary significantly from total investment returns based on changes in the Fund's net asset value.

How have you managed the Fund since its inception?

The Fund commenced operations on August 1, 2003, and we quickly achieved a fully invested portfolio. Our strategy aims to provide a lower-duration alternative to longer-maturity, closed-end, leveraged funds. To that end, we invested the portfolio's assets predominantly in 15-year - 20-year bonds and a combination of lower investment grade and non-investment grade securities. Given the relative steepness of the municipal yield curve, we felt longer intermediate maturities (15 years - 20 years) represented the greatest value in the high-grade municipal market. For example, purchasing bonds that mature in 2023 captures 95% of the yield on the curve while avoiding the significant duration risk associated with longer-dated bonds.

In our view, the lower investment grade and non-investment grade securities represented value, given the historically wide credit spreads that had existed for some time and the possibility that these spreads would narrow significantly with an improving economy. In fact, this contraction in spreads occurred, causing lower credit quality issues to significantly outperform the broader municipal market.

Since its inception, the Fund's borrowing costs generally remained in the .85% - 1.15% range. These attractive funding levels, in combination with the steep municipal yield curve, continued to generate significant income to the Fund's Common Stock shareholders. Currently, the Federal Reserve Board appears poised to begin raising short-term interest rates. The increase, however, is expected to be gradual and should not have a material impact on the positive advantage leverage has had on the Fund's Common Stock yield. However, should the spread between short-term and long-term interest rates narrow, the benefits of leveraging will decline and, as a result, reduce the yield on the Fund's Common Stock. At the end of the period, the Fund's leverage amount, due to AMPS, was 34.04% of total net assets. (For a more complete explanation of the benefits and risks of leveraging, see page 2 of this report to shareholders.)

How would you characterize the Fund's position at the close of the period?

We remained fully invested at the close of the period and defensively structured. In our opinion, the economy is on track for continued growth, which we expect should push interest rates higher over time. Therefore, the portfolio's defensive positioning should ultimately serve to benefit relative performance.

We believe credit spreads will continue to narrow, although not at the same pace seen in the last several months. Nevertheless, we expect that the Fund's position in lower-quality issues should continue to make a positive contribution to performance.

Robert A. DiMella Vice President and Portfolio Manager

June 9, 2004

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Schedule of Investments

	S&P	Moody's	Face	
State	Ratings+++	- Ratings+	-++ Amount	Municipal Bonds
Arizona0.9	% NR*	NR*	\$ 3,000	Navajo County, Arizona, IDA, IDR (Stone Container Cor Project), AMT, 7.20% due 6/01/2027 Pima County, Arizona, IDA, Education Revenue Bonds (A Charter Schools Project):
	NR*	Baa3	1,000	Series C, 6.70% due 7/01/2021
	NR*	Baa3	1,000	Series K/L, 6.375% due 7/01/2031
California 22.1%	AAA	Aaa	18,500	California Pollution Control Financing Authority, PCR (Pacific Gas & Electric), AMT, Series A, 5.35% due 12 California State Department of Water Resources, Power Revenue Bonds, Series A:
	BBB+	A3	8,500	5.25% due 5/01/2020
	BBB+	A3	5,000	5.375% due 5/01/2021
	BBB+	A3	6 , 500	5.375% due 5/01/2022
	AA-	Aa3	2,800	California State Economic Recovery Bonds, GO, Series
	2121	1103	2,000	7/01/2017
	AAA	Aaa	5,000	California State, GO, Refunding, 5.25% due 2/01/2027
	BBB-	Baa1	10,000	California State Public Works Board, Lease Revenue Bo (Department of Corrections), Series C, 5.50% due 6/01
	BBB	A3	17,500	California State, Various Purpose, GO, 5.50% due 4/01
	А	A3	2,500	California Statewide Communities Development Authorit Facility Revenue Bonds (Memorial Health Services), Se due 10/01/2023
	NR*	NR*	2,400	Elk Grove, California, Poppy Ridge Community Faciliti Special Tax, Series 1, 6% due 9/01/2028 Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corporation of Ca Tobacco Settlement Revenue Bonds, Series B:
	BBB-	Baa1	5,000	5.625% due 6/01/2020
	BBB-	Baa1	2,000	5.75% due 6/01/2021
	BBB-	Baa1	7,575	5.75% due 6/01/2022
	BBB-	Baa1	7,495	5.75% due 6/01/2023
			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	Sacramento, California, Special Tax (North Natomas Co
				Facilities), Series 4-C:
	NR*	NR*	585	5.60% due 9/01/2020
	NR*	NR*	1,720	5.75% due 9/01/2022
	NR*	NR*	500	5.90% due 9/01/2023
	NR*	NR*	3,000	6% due 9/01/2028
	AAA	Aaa	2 , 680	San Dieguito, California, Public Facilities Authority Bonds, 5% due 8/01/2021 (a) San Jose, California, Airport Revenue Bonds, Series A
	AAA	Aaa	2,040	5.25% due 3/01/2016
	AAA	Aaa	3,000	5.25% due 3/01/2017
	A+	NR*	4,830	Santa Monica, California, Community College District, Series A, 5.90% due 2/01/2027
Colorado4.	2%			Denver, Colorado, City and County Airport Revenue Ref Bonds (d):
	7\ 7\ 7\	7\ > >	11 000	Series A, 5.50% due 11/15/2025
	AAA	Aaa	11,000	,
	AAA	Aaa	2,000	Series E, 5.25% due 11/15/2023

BBB- NR* 2,250 Montrose, Colorado, Memorial Hospital, Revenue Bonds,

				12/01/2023
	NR*	NR*	7,500	Plaza Metropolitan District No. 1, Colorado, Tax Allo
				Bonds (Public Improvement Fees), 7.50% due 12/01/2015
Connecticut	BBB	A3	8,000	Connecticut State Development Authority, PCR, Refundi
1.5%				Light and Power Company), Series A, 5.85% due 9/01/20

Portfolio Abbreviations

To simplify the listings of Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc.'s portfolio holdings in the Schedule of Investments, we have abbreviated the names of many of the securities according to the list at right.

AMT	Alternative Minimum Tax (subject to)
COP	Certificates of Participation
EDA	Economic Development Authority
GO	General Obligation Bonds
IDA	Industrial Development Authority
IDB	Industrial Development Board
IDR	Industrial Development Revenue Bonds
PCR	Pollution Control Revenue Bonds
S/F	Single-Family
TAN	Tax Anticipation Notes
VRDN	Variable Rate Demand Notes

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State	S&P Ratings+++	Moody's Ratings+++	Face - Amount	Municipal Bonds
Florida1.	4% NR*	NR*	\$ 3,000	Harbor Bay, Florida, Community Development District,
	NR*	NR*	1,085	Improvement Special Assessment Bonds, 6.75% due 5/01/ Portofino Shores, Florida, Community Development Dist Special Assessment Bonds, Series A, 6.40% due 5/01/20
	NR*	Baa3	2,290	South Lake County, Florida, Hospital District Revenue (South Lake Hospital Inc.), 6.625% due 10/01/2023
	NR*	NR*	1,000	Sterling Hill, Florida, Community Development Distric Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series B, 5.50%
Georgia1.	7% NR*	NR*	1,500	Atlanta, Georgia, Tax Allocation Revenue Bonds (Atlan Project), 7.90% due 12/01/2024
	NR*	NR*	4,500	Fulton County, Georgia, Residential Care Facilities R Refunding Bonds (Canterbury Court Project), Series A, 2/15/2018
				Savannah, Georgia, EDA, Revenue Bonds (Marshes of Ski Mortgage, Series A:
	NR* NR*	NR* NR*	1,245 2,245	6.25% due 1/01/2012 6.85% due 1/01/2019

Idaho0.2%	NR*	Aa1	1,025	Idaho Housing and Finance Association, S/F Mortgage R AMT, Series F-2, 5.85% due $7/01/2015$ (f)
Illinois12.1%	AAA	Aaa	2,510	Chicago, Illinois, O'Hare International Airport Reven 3rd Lien, AMT, Series B-2, 6% due 1/01/2029 (e) Chicago, Illinois, O'Hare International Airport, Reve Bonds, 3rd Lien, AMT, Series A-2:
	A-	A2	18,955	6% due 1/01/2017
	AAA	Aaa	12,300	5.75% due 1/01/2019 (c)
	AAA	Aaa	4,000	Chicago, Illinois, Wastewater Transmission Revenue Bo Lien, 5.25% due 1/01/2028 (a) Hodgkins, Illinois, Environmental Improvement Revenue
	BBB	Baa1	5,280	(MBM Project), 6% due 11/01/2015
	BBB	Baa1	6,000	(Metro Biosolids Management LLC Project), 5.90% du
	BBB	NR*	6,930	Illinois Development Finance Authority Revenue Bonds Rehabilitation Providers Facilities), Series A, 6.625
	BBB	NR*	5,540	Illinois Development Finance Authority, Revenue Refun (Community Rehabilitation Providers), Series A, 6.05%
	AAA	Aaa	2,070	Illinois Health Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds (U Chicago Hospital System), 5.375% due 8/15/2017 (d)
Indiana1.5%				<pre>Indiana Transportation Finance Authority, Highway Rev Series A (b):</pre>
	AAA	Aaa	3,230	5.25% due 6/01/2024
	AAA	Aaa	5,000	5.25% due 6/01/2025
Louisiana 2.3%	В	NR*	3,900	Hodge, Louisiana, Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds (St Corporation), AMT, 7.45% due 3/01/2024 Port New Orleans, Louisiana, IDR, Refunding (Continen Company Project):
	BB-	NR*	3,500	7.50% due 7/01/2013
	BB-	NR*	5,000	6.50% due 1/01/2017
Maine1.6%	NR*	Baa2	1,965	Portland, Maine, Housing Development Corporation, Sen Revenue Bonds (Avesta Housing Development Corporation Series A, 6% due 2/01/2034
	NR*	Ba2	7,000	Rumford, Maine, Solid Waste Disposal Revenue Refundin (Boise Cascade Corporation Project), AMT, 6.875% due
Massachusetts				Massachusetts State Development Finance Agency, Resou Revenue Bonds (Ogden Haverhill Associates), AMT, Seri
	BBB BBB	NR* NR*	1,210 2,000	5.35% due 12/01/2015 5.50% due 12/01/2019

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State	S&P Rat		Moody's Ratings+++	ace mount	Municipal Bonds
Michigan3	.1%	BBB	Baa2	\$ 4,500	Cornell Township, Michigan, Economic Development Reve Bonds (Mead Westvaco CorporationEscanaba Project), 5/01/2018
		BBB	Baa2	4,500	Delta County, Michigan, Economic Development Corporat Environmental Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds (Me

	BBB-	NR*	3,325	WestvacoEscanaba), Series A, 6.25% due 4/15/2027 Macomb County, Michigan, Hospital Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds (Mount Clemens General Hospital), Serie
	А	A2	4,795	<pre>due 11/15/2034 Michigan State Hospital Finance Authority, Revenue Re (Oakwood Obligated Group), Series A, 6% due 4/01/2022</pre>
Minnesota 0.7%				Minneapolis and Saint Paul, Minnesota, Housing and Re Authority, Health Care System Revenue Bonds (Group He Project):
	BBB+	Baa1	1,000	6% due 12/01/2019
	BBB+	Baa1	2,545	6% due 12/01/2021
Mississippi				Mississippi Business Finance Corporation, Mississippi
1.4%				Refunding (System Energy Resources Inc. Project):
	BBB-	Ba1	5,000	5.875% due 4/01/2022
	BBB-	Ba1	2,910	5.90% due 5/01/2022
Missouri3.4%				St. Louis, Missouri, Airport Revenue Bonds (Airport D
		_	5 000	Program), Series A (d):
	AAA	Aaa	5,220	5.625% due 7/01/2016
	AAA	Aaa	3,500	5.625% due 7/01/2017
	AAA	Aaa	8 , 500	5.625% due 7/01/2018
Montana0.3%	AA+	Aa1	1,355	Montana State Board of Housing, AMT, S/F Program Reve Series B-2, 6.35% due $12/01/2021$ (f)
Nevada0.4%	NR*	NR*	2,250	Clark County, Nevada, Improvement District No. 142 Sp 6.375% due 8/01/2023
New Jersey 5.9%	AAA	Aaa	7,735	Casino Reinvestment Development Authority, New Jersey Revenue Bonds, 5% due 10/01/2021 (a) Garden State Preservation Trust, New Jersey, Open Spa
				Preservation Revenue Bonds, Series A (c):
	AAA	Aa3	3 , 635	5.80% due 11/01/2021
	AAA	Aa3	5 , 050	5.80% due 11/01/2023
	В	Caa2	5,540	New Jersey EDA, Special Facility Revenue Bonds (Conti Airlines Inc. Project), AMT, 6.625% due 9/15/2012
	AAA	Aaa	2,030	Sparta Township, New Jersey, School District, GO, Ref due 9/01/2020 (d)
	BBB	Baa3	9,535	Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation of New Jerse Revenue Bonds, 5.75% due 6/01/2016
New Mexico				Farmington, New Mexico, PCR, Refunding:
2.2%	BBB	Baa2	3,000	(Public Service Company of New MexicoSan Juan), 6.375% due 4/01/2022
	B+	ВаЗ	9,000	(Tucson Electric Power CoSan Juan Project), Ser 6.95% due 10/01/2020
New York 31.6%	NR*	NR*	1,250	Dutchess County, New York, IDA, Civic Facility Revenu (Saint Francis Hospital), Series B, 7.25% due 3/01/20
	А	A2	10,500	Metropolitan Transportation Authority, New York, Reve Bonds, Series A, 5.75% due 11/15/2032
	NR*	NR*	3,165	New York City, New York, City IDA, Civic Facility Rev (Special Needs Facilities Pooled Program), Series C-1 7/01/2007 New York City, New York, City IDA, Special Facility R
		_		Bonds, AMT:
	BB-	Ba2	1,250	(British Airways PLC Project), 7.625% due 12/01/20
	CCC+	NR*	3,000	(Continental Airlines Inc. Project), 8.375% due 11 New York City, New York, City Transitional Finance Au Future Tax Secured Revenue Bonds, Series C:

AA+ Aa2 20 5.50% due 5/01/2009 (g) AA+ Aa2 2,780 5.50% due 5/01/2025

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	S&P Ratings+++	Moody's Ratings++	Face + Amount	Municipal Bonds
New York				New York City, New York, GO, Refunding:
(concluded)	А	A2	\$ 5,000	Series B, 5.75% due 8/01/2015
(concraaca)	AAA	A2	5 , 050	Series F, 5.25% due 8/01/2015 (d)
	A	A2	14,000	New York City, New York, GO, Series C, 5.50% due 8/01
	A	A3	5,580	New York State Dormitory Authority, Lease Revenue Ref
	11	110	3,300	(Court Facilities), Series A, 5.25% due 5/15/2012
	NR*	A3	1,000	New York State Dormitory Authority Revenue Bonds (Nor
	1111	110	1,000	Jewish Group), 5% due 5/01/2012
				New York State Dormitory Authority, Revenue Refunding
	AAA	Aaa	7,775	(City University System), Consolidated Second Gene
			,	Series A, 6.125% due 7/01/2013 (a)
	NR*	A3	2,350	(Lenox Hill Hospital Obligation Group), 5.75% due
	BB	Ba1	7,000	(Mount Sinai Health), Series A, 6.625% due 7/01/20
	BB	Ba1	5 , 000	(Mount Sinai Health), Series A, 6.625% due 7/01/20
	AAA	Aaa	15,000	(North Shore University Hospital), 5.20% due 11/01
	AA	Aaa	1,970	New York State Dormitory Authority, State Personal In
				Revenue Bonds, Series A, 5% due 3/15/2022 (d)
	A+	NR*	16,550	New York State Municipal Bond Bank Agency, Special Sc
				Revenue Bonds, Series C, 5.25% due 12/01/2020
				New York State Thruway Authority, Service Contract Re
				Bonds (Local Highway and Bridges Project):
	AA-	A3	4,695	5.50% due 4/01/2012 (g)
	AA-	A3	60	5.50% due 4/01/2017
				New York State Urban Development Corporation, Correct
				Facilities Services, Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series
	AA-	A3	4,500	5% due 1/01/2017
	AA-	A3	11,650	5.50% due 1/01/2017
				New York State Urban Development Corporation Revenue
				Subordinate Lien, Corporation Purpose, Series A:
	A	A2	2,500	5.125% due 7/01/2016
	A	A2	2,500	5.125% due 7/01/2017
	A	A2	1,895	5.125% due 7/01/2019
	A	A2	1,000	5.125% due 7/01/2021
	NR*	NR*	2,000	Schenectady, New York, GO, TAN, 6.25% due 12/30/2004
				Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation of New York
				Series A-1:
	AA-	NR*	10,000	5.50% due 6/01/2014
	AA-	A3	8,385	5.25% due 6/01/2016
	AA-	NR*	3,340	5.50% due 6/01/2016
	AAA	NR*	5,000	5.25% due 6/01/2022 (a)
North Carolina2.	NR* 2%	NR*	6,000	North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Health Care F First Mortgage Revenue Refunding Bonds (Presbyterian 7% due 10/01/2031
	AA	NR*	2,505	(Maria Parham Medical Center) (h):
	AAA NR* 2%	NR* NR*	5,000	5.25% due 6/01/2022 (a) North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Health Carolina Mortgage Revenue Refunding Bonds (Presbyte 7% due 10/01/2031 North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Hospital

	AA	NR*	2,940	5.50% due 10/01/2016
Ohio2.5%				Jackson, Ohio, Local School District Refunding Bonds
				Summit Counties), GO, Facilities Construction and Imp
	AAA	Aaa	3 , 590	5.25% due 12/01/2022
	AAA	Aaa	3,980	5.25% due 12/01/2024
	AAA	Aaa	4,350	5.25% due 12/01/2026
	NR*	NR*	1,280	Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority, Ohi
				Assessment Revenue Bonds (Cooperative Public Parking
				Project), 6.30% due 2/15/2024

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Schedule of Investments (continued)

State	S&P Rat		Moody's E Ratings+++ A	Tace Amount	Municipal Bonds
Oklahoma1.	.8%	A1+	VMIG1++ \$	2,400	Oklahoma State Industries Authority, Revenue Refundin (Integris Baptist), VRDN, Series B, 1.06% due 8/15/20
		B-	Caa2	8,000	Tulsa, Oklahoma, Municipal Airport Trust, Revenue Ref (AMR Corporation), AMT, Series A, 5.80% due 6/01/2035
Pennsylvania	a	NR*	NR*	9,000	Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority Facilities Revenue Bonds (National Gypsum Company), A 6.25% due 11/01/2027
		NR*	NR*	2,800	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Authority for Industrial Health Care Facility Revenue Refunding Bonds (Paul's 5.875% due 5/15/2028
		AAA	Aaa	7,490	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Gas Works Revenue Refundi General Ordinance, 17th Series, 5.375% due 7/01/2022 Sayre, Pennsylvania, Health Care Facilities Authority Refunding Bonds, Series A:
		A-	NR*	1,750	(Guthrie Health), 6.25% due 12/01/2015
		A-	NR*	3,000	(Guthrie Health), 6.25% due 12/01/2016
		A-	NR*	1,490	(Guthrie Healthcare System), 6.25% due 12/01/2018
South Carolina1.	.3%	AAA	Aaa	5,000	South Carolina State Public Service Authority, Revenu Bonds, Series A, 5.50% due 1/01/2010 (c)
		BBB	Baa3	2,000	Tobacco Settlement Revenue Management Authority of So Tobacco Settlement Revenue Bonds, Series B, 6.375% du
Tennessee3	3.7%	ВВ	Ba2	5,000	McMinn County, Tennessee, IDB, PCR (Calhoun Newsprint AMT, 7.625% due 3/01/2016
		A-	Baa1	3,500	Shelby County, Tennessee, Health, Educational and Hou Board, Hospital Revenue Bonds (Methodist Healthcare), 9/01/2018
					Shelby County, Tennessee, Health, Educational and Hou Board, Hospital Revenue Refunding Bonds (Methodist He
		A-	Baa1	2,000	6% due 9/01/2016
		A-	Baa1	4,000	6% due 9/01/2017
		**	Daar	1,000	Shelby County, Tennessee, Health, Educational and Hou Board Revenue Bonds (Germantown Village), Series A:
		NR*	NR*	3,550	6.75% due 12/01/2018
		NR*	NR*	1,450	7% due 12/01/2023

Texas--22.0%

Austin, Texas, Convention Center Revenue Bonds (Conve

			Enterprises Inc.), First Tier, Series A:
BBB-	Baa3	6,445	6.375% due 1/01/2016
BBB-	Baa3	10,260	6.70% due 1/01/2032
A1+	VMIG1++	15,800	Bell County, Texas, Health Facilities Development Cor
			Hospital Revenue Bonds (Scott & White Memorial Hospit Series 2001-2, 1.06% due 8/15/2031 (d)(i)
BBB-	NR*	1,500	Bexar County, Texas, Health Facilities Development Co
		_,	Revenue Refunding Bonds (Army Retirement Residence Pr due 7/01/2032
BBB	Baa2	4,885	Brazos River Authority, Texas, PCR, Refunding (Texas AMT, Series A, 7.70% due 4/01/2033
A	A3	1,700	Brazos River, Texas, Harbor Navigation District, Braz Environmental Revenue Refunding Bonds (Dow Chemical C AMT, Series A-7, 6.625% due 5/15/2033
BBB-	Baa3	7,850	Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas, International Airport Facil Improvement Corporation Revenue Bonds (Learjet Inc.), Series 2001-A-1, 6.15% due 1/01/2016
ВВ	ВаЗ	2,440	Gulf Coast, Texas, IDA, Solid Waste Disposal Revenue (Citgo Petroleum Corporation Project), AMT, 7.50% due
A1+	VMIG1++	2,000	Harris County, Texas, Health Facilities Development C Hospital Revenue Bonds (Texas Children's Hospital), V 1.11% due 10/01/2029 (d)(i)

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Schedule of Investments (continued)

State	S&P Ratings+++	Moody's Ratings+++	Face Amount	Municipal Bonds
Texas (concluded)	NR*	NR*	\$ 1,000	Houston, Texas, Health Facilities Development Corpora Retirement Facility Revenue Bonds (Buckingham Senior Community), Series A, 7% due 2/15/2023 Houston, Texas, Utility System Revenue Refunding Bond Lien, Series A:
	AAA	Aaa	25,000	5.25% due 5/15/2022 (c)
	AAA	Aaa	10,500	5.25% due 5/15/2023 (b)
	A-	А3	7,420	Lower Colorado River Authority, Texas, PCR (Samsung A Semiconductor), AMT, 6.95% due 4/01/2030
	BBB	NR*	1,150	Lufkin, Texas, Health Facilities Development Corporat System Revenue Bonds (Memorial Health System of East due 2/15/2028
	BBB-	Ba2	2,600	Matagorda County, Texas, Navigation District Number 1 Refunding Bonds (Reliant Energy Inc.), Series C, 8% d
	ВВ	Ва3	2,300	Port Corpus Christi, Texas, Individual Development Co Environmental Facilities Revenue Bonds (Citgo Petrole Project), AMT, 8.25% due 11/01/2031 Sabine River Authority, Texas, PCR, Refunding (TXU El Project/TXU Energy Company LLC), Series B:
	BBB	Baa2	4,120	6.15% due 8/01/2022
	BBB	Baa2	5,000	AMT, 5.75% due 5/01/2030 Tomball, Texas, Hospital Authority Revenue Refunding (Tomball Regional Hospital):
	NR*	Baa2	2,000	6% due 7/01/2029
	NR*	Baa2	3,140	6.125% due 7/01/2023

Utah--5.3% A1 VMIG1++ 29,000 Emery County, Utah, PCR, Refunding (Pacificorp Project

1.06% due 11/01/2024 (a)(i)

Virginia6.0%	В	Ba3	10,000	Giles County, Virginia, IDA, Revenue Bonds (Hoechst C Corporation), AMT, 6.45% due 5/01/2026 James City County, Virginia, IDA, Residential Care Fa
				Refunding Bonds, Series A:
	NR*	NR*	3,285	5.75% due 3/01/2017
	NR*	NR*	1,000	6% due 3/01/2023
	NR*	ВаЗ	2,250	Loudoun County, Virginia, IDA, IDR, Refunding (Dulles Marriott Hotel), 7.125% due 9/01/2015
				Pittsylvania County, Virginia, IDA Revenue Refunding Facility, AMT:
	NR*	NR*	6,250	Series A, 7.55% due 1/01/2019
	NR*	NR*	2,500	Series B, 7.65% due 1/01/2010
	BB	Ba2	11,910	Pocahontas Parkway Association, Virginia, Toll Road R Senior Series A, 5.50% due 8/15/2028
Wyoming1.6%				Sweetwater County, Wyoming, Solid Waste Disposal Reve (FMC Corporation Project), AMT:
	BB+	Ba3	3,895	Series A, 7% due 6/01/2024
	BB+	ВаЗ	5,000	Series B, 6.90% due 9/01/2024
Guam0.4%	B+	ВаЗ	2,250	Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, GO, Ser due 10/01/2033
Puerto Rico6.1%	A-	А3	14,000	Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority, Power Revenue B Series NN, 5.50% due 7/01/2018
	A-	Baa1	8,000	Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority, Government Fa Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series I, 5.50% due 7/01/202
	BBB+	Baa2	10,000	Puerto Rico Public Finance Corporation, Commonwealth Revenue Bonds, Series E, 5.50% due 8/01/2029

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Schedule of Investments (concluded)

	S&P Ratings+++	Moody's - Ratings+++	ace mount	Municipal Bonds
Virgin Islands2.	BBB- 5%	Baa3	\$ 2,500	Virgin Islands Government Refinery Facilities, Revenu Bonds (Hovensa Coker Project), AMT, 6.50% due 7/01/20 Virgin Islands Public Finance Authority, Refinery Fac Revenue Bonds (Hovensa Refinery), AMT:
	BBB-	Baa3	4,150	5.875% due 7/01/2022
	BBB-	Baa3	6,750	6.125% due 7/01/2022
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Total Municipal Bonds (Cost--\$876,628)--159.1%

Total Investments (Cost--\$876,628)--159.1% Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets--(7.5%) Preferred Stock, at Redemption Value--(51.6%)

Net Assets Applicable to Common Stock--100.0%

^{*}Not Rated.

++Highest short-term rating by Moody's Investors Service Inc.

- +++Ratings of issues shown are unaudited.
- (a) AMBAC Insured.
- (b) FGIC Insured.
- (c) FSA Insured.
- (d) MBIA Insured.
- (e) XL Capital Insured.
- (f)Federal Housing Administration/Veterans' Administration Mortgages packaged by the Federal National Mortgage Association.
- (g) Prerefunded.
- (h) Radian Insured.

Expires November 2018

(i) The interest rate is subject to change periodically based upon prevailing market rates. The interest rate shown is the rate in effect at May 31, 2004.

Investments in companies considered to be an affiliate of the Fund (such companies are defined as "Affiliated Companies" in Section 2(a)(3) of the Investment Company Act of 1940) are as follows:

(In Thousands)

Affiliate	Net Activity	Dividend Income
Merrill Lynch Institutional Tax-Exempt Fund		\$134

Forward interest rate swaps entered into as of May 31, 2004 were as follows:

(In Thousands)

\$ 7,800 (81)

		(In Inousands)
	Notional Amount	Unrealized Appreciation/ Depreciation
Receive a variable rate equal to 7-Day Bond Market Association Municipal Swap Index Rate and pay a fixed rate equal to 3.928%.		
Broker, J.P. Morgan Chase Bank Expires July 2014	\$68 , 000	\$ 319
Receive a variable rate equal to 7-Day Bond Market Association Municipal Swap Index Rate and pay a fixed rate equal to 4.385%.		
Broker, J.P. Morgan Chase Bank		

Total \$ 238

See Notes to Financial Statements.

MUNI INTERMEDIATE DURATION FUND, INC., MAY 31, 2004

Statement of Net Assets

As of May 31, 2004

Assets

Investments in unaffiliated securities, at value (identified cost-\$876,628,263) Cash

Unrealized appreciation on forward interest rate swaps

Receivables:

Interest
Securities sold

Prepaid expenses

Total assets

Liabilities

Payables:

Securities purchased Dividends to Common Stock shareholders Investment adviser Other affiliates

Accrued expenses

Total liabilities

Preferred Stock

Preferred Stock, at redemption value, par value \$.10 per share (2,000 Series M7 Shares, 2,700 Series T7 Shares, 2,000 Series W7 Shares, 2,700 Series TH7 Shares, 2,000 Series F7 Shares of AMPS* issued and outstanding at \$25,000 per share liquidation preference)

Net Assets Applicable to Common Stock

Net assets applicable to Common Stock

Analysis of Net Assets Applicable to Common Stock

Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share (38,034,934) shares issued and outstanding) Paid-in capital in excess of par

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Undistributed investment income--net Undistributed realized capital gains on investments--net Unrealized appreciation on investments--net

Total accumulated earnings--net

Total--Equivalent to \$14.52 net asset value per share of Common Stock (market price-\$13.10)

*Auction Market Preferred Stock.

See Notes to Financial Statements.

MUNI INTERMEDIATE DURATION FUND, INC., MAY 31, 2004

Statement of Operations

For the Period August 1, 2003++ to May 31, 2004

Investment Income

Interest

Dividends from affiliates

Total income

Expenses

Investment advisory fees
Commission fees
Accounting services
Transfer agent fees
Professional fees
Custodian fees
Directors' fees and expenses
Pricing fees
Printing and shareholder reports
Other

Total expenses before waiver Waiver of expenses

Total expenses after waiver

Investment income--net

Realized & Unrealized Gain on Investments--Net

Realized gain on investments--net Unrealized appreciation on investments--net

Total realized and unrealized gain on investments--net

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Dividends to Preferred Stock Shareholders

Investment income--net

Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations

++Commencement of operations.

See Notes to Financial Statements.

MUNI INTERMEDIATE DURATION FUND, INC., MAY 31, 2004

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets:

Operations

Investment income--net
Realized gain on investments--net
Unrealized appreciation on investments--net
Dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations

Dividends to Common Stock Shareholders

Investment income--net

Net decrease in net assets resulting from dividends to Common Stock shareholders

Stock Transactions

Net proceeds from issuance of Common Stock Offering costs resulting from the issuance of Common Stock Offering and underwriting costs resulting from the issuance of Preferred Stock Value of shares issued to Common Stock shareholders in reinvestment of dividends

Net increase in net assets derived from stock transactions

Net Assets Applicable to Common Stock

Total increase in net assets applicable to Common Stock Beginning of period

End of period*

*Undistributed investment income--net

++Commencement of operations.

See Notes to Financial Statements.

MUNI INTERMEDIATE DURATION FUND, INC., MAY 31, 2004

Financial Highlights

The following per share data and ratios have been derived from information provided in the financial statements.

Increase (Decrease) in Net Asset Value:

Per Share Operating Performance

Net asset value, beginning of period

Investment income--net Realized and unrealized gain on investments--net Dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders from investment income--net

Total from investment operations

Less dividends to Common Stock shareholders from investment income--net

Capital charge resulting from issuance of Common Stock

Capital charge and underwriting costs resulting from issuance of Preferred Stock

Net asset value, end of period

Market price per share, end of period

Total Investment Return**

Based on market price per share

Based on net asset value per share

Ratios Based on Average Net Assets of Common Stock

Total expenses, net of waiver***

Total expenses***

Investment income--net***

Amount of dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders

Investment income--net, to Common Stock shareholders

Ratios Based on Average Net Assets of Common & Preferred Stock***

Total expenses, net of waiver

Total expenses

Total investment income--net

Ratios Based on Average Net Assets of Preferred Stock

Dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders

Supplemental Data

Net assets applicable to Common Stock, end of period (in thousands)

Preferred Stock outstanding, end of period (in thousands)

Portfolio turnover

MUNI INTERMEDIATE DURATION FUND, INC., MAY 31, 2004

Financial Highlights (concluded)

The following per share data and ratios have been derived from information provided in the financial statements.

Leverage

Asset coverage per \$1,000

Dividends Per Share on Preferred Stock Outstanding++++

Series M7--Investment income--net

Series T7--Investment income--net

Series W7--Investment income--net

Series TH7--Investment income--net

Series F7--Investment income--net

^{*}Annualized.

^{**}Total investment returns based on market value, which can be significantly greater or lesser than the net asset value, may result in substantially different returns. Total investment returns exclude the effects of sales charges. The Fund's Investment Adviser voluntarily waived a portion of its management fee. Without such waiver, the Fund's performance would have been lower.

^{***}Do not reflect the effect of dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders.

++Commencement of operations.

++++The Fund's Preferred Stock was issued on August 20, 2003.

+++Aggregate total investment return.

See Notes to Financial Statements.

MUNI INTERMEDIATE DURATION FUND, INC., MAY 31, 2004

Notes to Financial Statements

- 1. Significant Accounting Policies: Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc. (the "Fund") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, as a nondiversified, closed-end management investment company. Prior to commencement of operations on August 1, 2003, the Fund had no operations other than those relating to organizational matters and the sale of 6,981 shares of Common Stock on July 17, 2003 to Fund Asset Management, L.P. ("FAM") for \$100,003. The Fund's financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management accruals and estimates. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The Fund determines and makes available for publication the net asset value of its Common Stock on a daily basis. The Fund's Common Stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol MUI. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Fund.
- (a) Valuation of investments--Municipal bonds are traded primarily in the over-the-counter markets and are valued at the last available bid price in the over-the-counter market or on the basis of yield equivalents as obtained by the Fund's pricing service from one or more dealers that make markets in the securities. Financial futures contracts and options thereon, which are traded on exchanges, are valued at their closing prices as of the close of such exchanges. Options written or purchased are valued at the last sale price in the case of exchange-traded options. In the case of options traded in the over-the-counter market, valuation is the last asked price (options written) or the last bid price (options purchased). Swap agreements are valued by quoted fair values received daily by the Fund from the counterparty. Short-term investments with a remaining maturity of sixty days or less are valued at amortized cost, which approximates market value. Securities and assets for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by or under the direction of the Board of Directors of the Fund, including valuations furnished by a pricing service retained by the Fund, which may utilize a matrix system for valuations. The procedures of the pricing service and its valuations are reviewed by the officers of the Fund under the general supervision of the Board of Directors.
- (b) Derivative financial instruments—The Fund may engage in various portfolio investment strategies both to increase the return of the Fund and to hedge, or protect, its exposure to interest rate movements and movements in the securities markets. Losses may arise due to changes in the value of the contract or if the counterparty

does not perform under the contract.

- * Financial futures contracts—The Fund may purchase or sell financial futures contracts and options on such futures contracts. Futures contracts are contracts for delayed delivery of securities at a specific future date and at a specific price or yield. Upon entering into a contract, the Fund deposits and maintains as collateral such initial margin as required by the exchange on which the transaction is effected. Pursuant to the contract, the Fund agrees to receive from or pay to the broker an amount of cash equal to the daily fluctuation in value of the contract. Such receipts or payments are known as variation margin and are recorded by the Fund as unrealized gains or losses. When the contract is closed, the Fund records a realized gain or loss equal to the difference between the value of the contract at the time it was opened and the value at the time it was closed.
- * Options—The Fund may write covered call options and purchase call and put options. When the Fund writes an option, an amount equal to the premium received by the Fund is reflected as an asset and an equivalent liability. The amount of the liability is subsequently marked—to—market to reflect the current market value of the option written. When a security is purchased or sold through an exercise of an option, the related premium paid (or received) is added to (or deducted from) the basis of the security acquired or deducted from (or added to) the proceeds of the security sold. When an option expires (or the Fund enters into a closing transaction), the Fund realizes a gain or loss on the option to the extent of the premiums received or paid (or gain or loss to the extent the cost of the closing transaction exceeds the premium paid or received).

Written and purchased options are non-income producing investments.

* Forward interest rate swaps—The Fund may enter into forward interest rate swaps. In a forward interest rate swap, the Fund and the counterparty agree to make periodic net payments on a specified notional contract amount, commencing on a specified future effective date, unless terminated earlier. When the agreement is closed, the Fund records a realized gain or loss in an amount equal to the value of the agreement.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

- (c) Income taxes—It is the Fund's policy to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute substantially all of its taxable income to its shareholders. Therefore, no Federal income tax provision is required.
- (d) Security transactions and investment income—Security transactions are recorded on the dates the transactions are entered into (the trade dates). Realized gains and losses on security transactions are determined on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend dates. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. The Fund amortizes all premiums and

discounts on debt securities.

- (e) Dividends and distributions—Dividends from net investment income are declared and paid monthly. Distributions of capital gains are recorded on the ex-dividend dates.
- (f) Reclassification—U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require that certain components of net assets be adjusted to reflect permanent differences between financial and tax reporting. Accordingly, during the current year, \$20,538 has been reclassified between undistributed net investment income and accumulated realized capital gains on investment as a result of permanent differences attributable to amortization methods on fixed income securities. This reclassification has no effect on net assets or net asset values per share.
- 2. Investment Advisory Agreement and Transactions with Affiliates: The Fund has entered into an Investment Advisory Agreement with Fund Asset Management, L.P. ("FAM"). The general partner of FAM is Princeton Services, Inc. ("PSI"), an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. ("ML & Co."), which is the limited partner.

FAM is responsible for the management of the Fund's portfolio and provides the necessary personnel, facilities, equipment and certain other services necessary to the operations of the Fund. For such services, the Fund pays a monthly fee at an annual rate of .55% of the Fund's average daily net assets, including proceeds from the issuance of Preferred Stock. FAM has contractually agreed to waive a portion of its fee during the first seven years of the Fund's operations ending July 31, 2010, as follows:

Fee Waiver
(As a Percentage
of Average Daily
Net Assets)

Years 1 through 5	.15%
Year 6	.10%
Year 7	.05%
Year 8 and thereafter	.00%

FAM has not agreed to waive any portion of its fee beyond July 31, 2010.

For the period August 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004, FAM earned fees of \$3,761,844, of which \$1,256,455 was waived.

During the period August 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith Incorporated ("MLPF&S"), an affiliate of FAM, received underwriting fees of \$2,850,000 in connection with the issuance of the Fund's Preferred Stock.

For the period August 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004, the Fund reimbursed FAM \$13,027 for certain accounting services.

Certain officers and/or directors of the Fund are officers and/or directors of FAM, PSI, and/or ML & Co.

3. Investments:

Purchases and sales of investments, excluding short-term securities, for the period August 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004 were \$1,355,042,533 and \$536,698,097, respectively.

Net realized gains (losses) for the period August 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004 and net unrealized appreciation as of May 31, 2004 were as follows:

	Gain	Realized s (Losses)	Aj	Unrealized ppreciation
Long-term investments Short-term investments Forward interest rate swaps	\$ (9,799,567 44,140 3,658,800)	\$	1,774,772 237,798
Total	\$ ====	6,184,907 ======	\$	2,012,570

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Notes to Financial Statements (concluded)

As of May 31, 2004, net unrealized appreciation for Federal income tax purposes aggregated \$1,881,707, of which \$8,743,467 related to appreciated securities and \$6,861,760 related to depreciated securities. The aggregate cost of investments at May 31, 2004 for Federal income tax purposes was \$876,521,328.

4. Stock Transactions:

The Fund is authorized to issue 200,000,000 shares of stock, including Preferred Stock, par value \$.10 per share, all of which were initially classified as Common Stock. The Board of Directors is authorized, however, to reclassify any unissued shares of stock without approval of holders of Common Stock.

Common Stock

Shares issued and outstanding during the period August 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004 increased by 37,975,000 from shares sold and 52,953 from reinvestment of dividends.

Preferred Stock

Auction Market Preferred Stock are redeemable shares of Preferred Stock of the Fund, with a par value of \$.10 per share and liquidation preference of \$25,000 per shares, plus accrued and unpaid dividends, that entitle their holders to receive cash dividends at an annual rate that may vary for the successive dividend periods. The yield in effect at May 31, 2004 was Series M7, 1.00%; Series T7, 1.069%; Series W7, 1.07%; Series TH7, 1.039%; and Series F7, 1.02%.

Shares issued and outstanding during the period August 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004 increased by 11,400 from issuance of Preferred Stock.

The Fund pays commissions to certain broker-dealers at the end of each auction at an annual rate ranging from .25% to .375%,

calculated on the proceeds of each auction. For the period August 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004, MLPF&S earned \$530,386 as commissions.

5. Distributions to Shareholders:

The Fund paid a tax-exempt income dividend to holders of Common Stock in the amount of \$.072000 per share on June 29, 2004 to shareholders of record on June 14, 2004.

The tax character of distributions paid during the period August 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004 was as follows:

August 1, 2003++ to May 31, 2004

Distributions paid from:

Tax-exempt income

\$ 26,615,642 -----\$ 26,615,642

Total distributions

\$ 26,615,642

++Commencement of operations.

As of May 31, 2004, the components of accumulated earnings on a tax basis were as follows:

Undistributed tax-exempt incomenet Undistributed ordinary incomenet	\$ 2,857,415 6,205,445
Total undistributed earningsnet Capital loss carryforward Unrealized gainsnet	9,062,860 2,119,506*
Total accumulated earningsnet	\$ 11,182,366

*The difference between book-basis and tax-basis net unrealized gains is attributable primarily to the difference between book and tax amortization methods for premiums and discounts on fixed income securities.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying statement of net assets of Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc., including the schedule of investments, as of May 31, 2004, and the related statements of operations and changes in net assets, and financial highlights for the period August 1, 2003 (commencement of operations) to May 31, 2004. These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial

highlights based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements and financial highlights. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of May 31, 2004, by correspondence with the custodian and others. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements and financial highlights referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc. at May 31, 2004, the results of its operations, the changes in its net assets, and the financial highlights for the period August 1, 2003 (commencement of operations) to May 31, 2004 in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

(Ernst & Young LLP) MetroPark, New Jersey June 30, 2004

Quality Profile (unaudited)

The quality ratings of securities in the Fund as of May 31, 2004 were as follows:

	Percent of Total
S&P Rating/Moody's Rating	Investments
AAA/Aaa	26.3%
AA/Aa	6.8
A/A	20.3
BBB/Baa	20.6
BB/Ba	9.2
B/B	1.9
CCC/Caa	0.3
NR (Not Rated)	9.0
Other++	5.6

++Temporary investments in short-term variable rate municipal securities.

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Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan (unaudited)

The following description of the Fund's Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the "Plan") is sent to you annually as required by Federal securities laws.

Pursuant to the Fund's Plan, unless a holder of Common Stock otherwise elects, all dividend and capital gains distributions will be automatically reinvested by EquiServe (the "Plan Agent"), as agent for shareholders in administering the Plan, in additional shares of Common Stock of the Fund. Holders of Common Stock who elect not to participate in the Plan will receive all distributions in cash paid by check mailed directly to the shareholder of record (or, if the shares are held in street or other nominee name then to such nominee) by EquiServe, as dividend paying agent. Such participants may elect not to participate in the Plan and to receive all distributions of dividends and capital gains in cash by sending written instructions to EquiServe, as dividend paying agent, at the address set forth below. Participation in the Plan is completely voluntary and may be terminated or resumed at any time without penalty by written notice if received by the Plan Agent not less than ten days prior to any dividend record date; otherwise such termination will be effective with respect to any subsequently declared dividend or distribution.

Whenever the Fund declares an income dividend or capital gains distribution (collectively referred to as "dividends") payable either in shares or in cash, non-participants in the Plan will receive cash and participants in the Plan will receive the equivalent in shares of Common Stock. The shares will be acquired by the Plan Agent for the participant's account, depending upon the circumstances described below, either (i) through receipt of additional unissued but authorized shares of Common Stock from the Fund ("newly issued shares") or (ii) by purchase of outstanding shares of Common Stock on the open market ("open-market purchases") on the New York Stock Exchange or elsewhere. If on the payment date for the dividend, the net asset value per share of the Common Stock is equal to or less than the market price per share of the Common Stock plus estimated brokerage commissions (such conditions being referred to herein as "market premium"), the Plan Agent will invest the dividend amount in newly issued shares on behalf of the participant. The number of newly issued shares of Common Stock to be credited to the participant's account will be determined by dividing the dollar amount of the dividend by the net asset value per share on the date the shares are issued, provided that the maximum discount from the then current market price per share on the date of issuance may not exceed 5%. If on the dividend payment date the net asset value per share is greater than the market value (such condition being referred to herein as "market discount"), the Plan Agent will invest the dividend amount in shares acquired on behalf of the participant in open-market purchases.

In the event of a market discount on the dividend payment date, the Plan Agent will have until the last business day before the next date on which the shares trade on an "ex-dividend" basis or in no event more than 30 days after the dividend payment date (the "last purchase date") to invest the dividend amount in shares acquired in open-market purchases. It is contemplated that the Fund will pay monthly income dividends. Therefore, the period during which open-market purchases can be made will exist only from the payment date on the dividend through the date before the next "ex-dividend" date, which typically will be approximately ten days. If, before the Plan

Agent has completed its open-market purchases, the market price of a share of Common Stock exceeds the net asset value per share, the average per share purchase price paid by the Plan Agent may exceed the net asset value of the Fund's shares, resulting in the acquisitions of fewer shares than if the dividend had been paid in newly issued shares on the dividend payment date. Because of the foregoing difficulty with respect to open-market purchases, the Plan provides that if the Plan Agent is unable to invest the full dividend amount in open-market purchases during the purchase period or if the market discount shifts to a market premium during the purchase period, the Plan Agent will cease making open-market purchases and will invest the uninvested portion of the dividend amount in newly issued shares at the close of business on the last purchase date determined by dividing the uninvested portion of the dividend by the net asset value per share.

The Plan Agent maintains all shareholders' accounts in the Plan and furnishes written confirmation of all transactions in the account, including information needed by shareholders for tax records. Shares in the account of each Plan participant will be held by the Plan Agent in non-certificated form in the name of the participant, and each shareholder's proxy will include those shares purchased or received pursuant to the Plan. The Plan Agent will forward all proxy solicitation materials to participants and vote proxies for shares held pursuant to the Plan in accordance with the instructions of the participants.

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In the case of shareholders such as banks, brokers or nominees which hold shares of others who are the beneficial owners, the Plan Agent will administer the Plan on the basis of the number of shares certified from time to time by the record shareholders as representing the total amount registered in the record shareholder's name and held for the account of beneficial owners who are to participate in the Plan.

There will be no brokerage charges with respect to shares issued directly by the Fund as a result of dividends or capital gains distributions payable either in shares or in cash. However, each participant will pay a pro rata share of brokerage commissions incurred with respect to the Plan Agent's open-market purchases in connection with the reinvestment of dividends.

The automatic reinvestment of dividends and distributions will not relieve participants of any Federal, state or local income tax that may be payable (or required to be withheld) on such dividends.

Shareholders participating in the Plan may receive benefits not available to shareholders not participating in the Plan. If the market price plus commissions of the Fund's shares is above the net asset value, participants in the Plan will receive shares of the Fund at less than they could otherwise purchase them and will have shares with a cash value greater than the value of any cash distribution they would have received on their shares. If the market price plus commissions is below the net asset value, participants will receive distributions in shares with a net asset value greater than the value of any cash distribution they would have received on

their shares. However, there may be insufficient shares available in the market to make distributions in shares at prices below the net asset value. Also, since the Fund does not redeem shares, the price on resale may be more or less than the net asset value.

The value of shares acquired pursuant to the Plan will generally be excluded from gross income to the extent that the cash amount reinvested would be excluded from gross income. If, when the Fund's shares are trading at a premium over net asset value, the Fund issues shares pursuant to the Plan that have a greater fair market value than the amount of cash reinvested, it is possible that all or a portion of such discount (which may not exceed 5% of the fair market value of the Fund's shares) could be viewed as a taxable distribution. If the discount is viewed as a taxable distribution, it is also possible that the taxable character of this discount would be allocable to all the shareholders, including shareholders who do not participate in the Plan. Thus, shareholders who do not participate in the Plan might be required to report as ordinary income a portion of their distributions equal to their allocable share of the discount.

Experience under the Plan may indicate that changes are desirable. Accordingly, the Fund reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plan. There is no direct service charge to participants in the Plan; however, the Fund reserves the right to amend the Plan to include a service charge payable by the participants.

All correspondence concerning the Plan should be directed to the Plan Agent at EquiServe, P.O. Box 43010, Providence, RI 02940-3010, Telephone: 800-426-5523.

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Officers and Directors (unaudited)

Name, Address & Age Interested Director	Position(s) Held with Fund	Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years
Terry K. Glenn* P.O. Box 9011 Princeton, NJ 08543-9011 Age: 63	President and Director	2003 to present	President of the Merrill Lynch Investment Managers, L.P. ("MLIM")/Fund Asset Management, L.P. ("FAM")Advised Funds since 1999; Chairman (Americas Region) of MLIM from 2000 to 2002; Executive Vice President of MLIM and FAM (which terms as used herein include their corporate predecessors) from 1983 to 2002; President of FAM Distributors, Inc. ("FAMD") from 1986 to 2002 and Director thereof from 1991 to 2002; Executive Vice President and Director of Princeton Services, Inc. ("Princeton Services") from 1993 to 2002; President of Princeton Administrators, L.P.

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from 1989 to 2002; Director of Financial Data Services, Inc. since 1985.

* Mr. Glenn is a director, trustee or member of an advisory board of certain other investment companies for which MLIM or FAM acts as investment adviser. Mr. Glenn is an "interested person," as described in the Investment Company Act, of the Fund based on his former positions with MLIM, FAM, FAMD, Princeton Services and Princeton Administrators, L.P. The Director's term is unlimited. Directors serve until their resignation, removal or death, or until December 31 of the year in which they turn 72. As Fund President, Mr. Glenn serves at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.

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Officers and Directors (unaudited) (continued)

Age: 62

Name, Address & Age Independent Directors*	Position(s) Held with Fund	Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Fund Overs Direc
Donald W. Burton P.O. Box 9095 Princeton, NJ 08543-9095 Age: 60	Director	2003 to present	General Partner of the Burton Partnership, Limited Partnership (an investment partnership) since 1979; Managing General Partner of The South Atlantic Venture Funds since 1983; Member of the Investment Advisory Committee of the Florida State Board of Administration since 2001.	23 Fu 36 Po
M. Colyer Crum P.O. Box 9095 Princeton, NJ 08543-9095 Age: 71	Director	2003 to present	James R. Williston Professor of Investment Management Emeritus, Harvard Business School since 1996; James R. Williston Professor of Investment Management, Harvard Business School from 1971 to 1996.	24 Fu 37 Po
Laurie Simon Hodrick P.O. Box 9095 Princeton, NJ 08543-9095 Age: 41	Director	2003 to present	Professor of Finance and Economics, Graduate School of Business, Columbia University since 1998; Associate Professor of Finance and Economics, Graduate School of Business, Columbia University from 1996 to 1998.	23 Fu 36 Po
David H. Walsh P.O. Box 9095 Princeton, NJ 08543-9095	Director	2003 to present	Consultant with Putnam Investments since 1993 and employed in various capacities therewith from 1973 to 1992; Director, The National Audubon Society since 1998;	23 Fu 36 Po

Director, The American Museum of Fly

Fishing since 1997.

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Fred G. Weiss	Director	2003 to	Managing Director of FGW Associates since
P.O. Box 9095		present	1997; Vice President, Planning, Investment
Princeton,			and Development of Warner Lambert Co. from
NJ 08543-9095			1979 to 1997; Director of Michael J. Fox
Age: 62			Foundation for Parkinson's Research;
			Director of BTG International PLC
			(a global technology commercialization
			company) since 2001.

^{*} The Director's term is unlimited. Directors serve until their resignation, removal or death, or until December 31 of the year in which they turn 72.

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Officers and Directors (unaudited) (concluded)

Name, Address & Age	Position(s) Held with Fund	Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years
Fund Officers*			
Donald C. Burke P.O. Box 9011 Princeton, NJ 08543-9011 Age: 43	Vice President and Treasurer	1993 to present and 1999 to present	First Vice President of MLIM and FAM since 1997 and 1999; Senior Vice President and Treasurer of Prince Vice President of FAMD since 1999; Director of MLIM
Kenneth A. Jacob P.O. Box 9011 Princeton, NJ 08543-9011 Age: 53	Senior Vice President	2002 to present	Managing Director of MLIM since 2000; Director (Mun Management) of MLIM from 1997 to 2000.
Robert A. DiMella P.O. Box 9011 Princeton,	Vice President	2003 to present	Vice President of MLIM since 1997.

NJ 08543-9011 Age: 34

Phillip S. Gillespie Secretary 2003 to First Vice President of MLIM since 2001; Director (P.O. Box 9011 present to 2001; Vice President from 1999 to 2000 and Attor since 1998.

NJ 08543-9011 Age: 40 23 Fu

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 $[\]ensuremath{^{\star}}$ Officers of the Fund serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.

Custodian State Street Bank and Trust Company P.O. Box 351 Boston, MA 02101

Transfer Agents

Common Stock: EquiServe P.O. Box 43010 Providence, RI 02940-3010

Preferred Stock:MUI
The Bank of New York
101 Barclay Street-7 West
New York, NY 10286

NYSE Symbol

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Important Tax Information (unaudited)

All of the net investment income distributions paid monthly by Muni Intermediate Duration Fund, Inc. during the taxable year ended May 31, 2004 qualify as tax-exempt interest dividends for Federal income tax purposes.

Please retain this information for your records.

Electronic Delivery

The Fund offers electronic delivery of communications to its shareholders. In order to receive this service, you must register your account and provide us with e-mail information. To sign up for this service, simply access this website http://www.icsdelivery.com/live and follow the instructions. When you visit this site, you will obtain a personal identification number (PIN). You will need this PIN should you wish to update your e-mail address, choose to discontinue this service and/or make any other changes to the service. This service is not available for certain retirement accounts at this time.

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Item 2 - Code of Ethics - The registrant has adopted a code of ethics, as of the end of the period covered by this report, that applies to the registrant's principal executive officer, principal financial officer and principal accounting officer, or persons performing similar functions. A copy of the code of ethics is available without charge upon request by calling toll-free 1-800-MER-FUND (1-800-637-3863).

Item 3 - Audit Committee Financial Expert - The registrant's board of directors has determined that (i) the registrant has the following audit committee financial experts serving on its audit committee and (ii) each audit committee financial expert is independent: (1) Donald W. Burton, (2) M. Colyer Crum, (3) Laurie Simon Hodrick, (4) David H. Walsh and (5) Fred G. Weiss.

The registrant's board of directors has determined that Laurie Simon Hodrick and M. Colyer Crum qualify as financial experts pursuant to Item 3(c) (4) of Form N-CSR.

Ms. Hodrick has a thorough understanding of generally accepted accounting principals, financial statements, and internal controls and procedures for financial reporting. Ms. Hodrick earned a Ph.D. in economics and has taught courses in finance for over 15 years. Her M.B.A.-level course centers around the evaluation and analysis of firms' corporate financial statements. She has also taught in financial analysts' training programs. Ms. Hodrick has also worked with several prominent corporations in connection with the analysis of financial forecasts and projections and analysis of the financial statements of those companies, serving on the Financial Advisory Council of one of these major corporations. She has also served as the Treasurer and Finance Chair of a 501(c)(3) organization. Ms. Hodrick has published a number of articles in leading economic and financial journals and is the associate editor of two leading finance journals.

M. Colyer Crum also possesses a thorough understanding of generally accepted accounting principals, financial statements, and internal controls and procedures for financial reporting through a combination of education and experience. Professor Crum was a professor of investment management at the Harvard Business School for 25 years. The courses taught by Professor Crum place a heavy emphasis on the analysis of underlying company financial statements with respect to stock selection and the analysis of credit risk in making loans. Professor Crum has also served on a number of boards of directors and has served on the audit committees, and in some cases chaired the audit committee, for several major corporations and financial institutions. For two such organizations, Professor Crum has performed extensive investment analysis of financial statements in connection with investment management decisions. From these experiences, he has gained significant experience with the establishment of reserves and accounting policies, differences between U.S. GAAP and Canadian GAAP and executive compensation issues.

Item 4 - Principal Accountant Fees and Services

- (a) Audit Fees Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2004 \$38,500 Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2003 N/A
- (b) Audit-Related Fees Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2004 \$28,000

Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2003 - \$N/A

The nature of the services include assurance and related services reasonably related to the performance of the audit of financial statements not included in Audit Fees.

(c) Tax Fees - Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2004 - \$5,200 Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2003 - \$N/A

The nature of the services include tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning.

- (d) All Other Fees Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2004 \$0 Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2003 \$N/A
- (e)(1) The registrant's audit committee (the "Committee") has adopted policies and procedures with regard to the pre-approval of services. Audit, audit-related and tax compliance services provided to the registrant on an annual basis require specific pre-approval by the Committee. The Committee also must approve other non-audit services provided to the registrant and those non-audit services provided to the registrant's affiliated service providers that relate directly to the operations and the financial reporting of the registrant. Certain of these non-audit services that the Committee believes are a) consistent with the SEC's auditor independence rules and b) routine and recurring services that will not impair the independence of the independent accountants may be approved by the Committee without consideration on a specific case-by-case basis ("general pre-approval"). However, such services will only be deemed pre-approved provided that any individual project does not exceed \$5,000 attributable to the registrant or \$50,000 for the project as a whole. Any proposed services exceeding the preapproved cost levels will require specific pre-approval by the Committee, as will any other services not subject to general preapproval (e.g., unanticipated but permissible services). The Committee is informed of each service approved subject to general pre-approval at the next regularly scheduled in-person board meeting.
- (e) (2) 0%
- (f) Not Applicable
- (g) Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2004 \$8,200 Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2003 - \$100,000
- (h) The registrant's audit committee has considered and determined that the provision of non-audit services that were rendered to the registrant's investment adviser and any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the investment adviser that provides ongoing services to the registrant that were not preapproved pursuant to paragraph (c) (7) (ii) of Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X is compatible with maintaining the principal accountant's independence.

Regulation S-X Rule 2-01(c)(7)(ii) - \$541,640, 0%

Item 5 - Audit Committee of Listed Registrants - The following individuals are members of the registrant's separately-designated standing audit committee established in accordance with Section 3(a)(58)(A) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(58)(A)):

Donald W. Burton M. Colyer Crum Laurie Simon Hodrick David H. Walsh Fred G. Weiss

Item 6 - Schedule of Investments - Not Applicable

Item 7 - Disclosure of Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures for Closed-End Management Investment Companies -

Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

Each Fund's Board of Directors/Trustees has delegated to Merrill Lynch Investment Managers, L.P. and/or Fund Asset Management, L.P. (the "Investment Adviser") authority to vote all proxies relating to the Fund's portfolio securities. The Investment Adviser has adopted policies and procedures ("Proxy Voting Procedures") with respect to the voting of proxies related to the portfolio securities held in the account of one or more of its clients, including a Fund. Pursuant to these Proxy Voting Procedures, the Investment Adviser's primary objective when voting proxies is to make proxy voting decisions solely in the best interests of each Fund and its shareholders, and to act in a manner that the Investment Adviser believes is most likely to enhance the economic value of the securities held by the Fund. The Proxy Voting Procedures are designed to ensure that that the Investment Adviser considers the interests of its clients, including the Funds, and not the interests of the Investment Adviser, when voting proxies and that real (or perceived) material conflicts that may arise between the Investment Adviser's interest and those of the Investment Adviser's clients are properly addressed and resolved.

In order to implement the Proxy Voting Procedures, the Investment Adviser has formed a Proxy Voting Committee (the "Committee"). The Committee is comprised of the Investment Adviser's Chief Investment Officer (the "CIO"), one or more other senior investment professionals appointed by the CIO, portfolio managers and investment analysts appointed by the CIO and any other personnel the CIO deems appropriate. The Committee will also include two nonvoting representatives from the Investment Adviser's Legal department appointed by the Investment Adviser's General Counsel. The Committee's membership shall be limited to full-time employees of the Investment Adviser. No person with any investment banking, trading, retail brokerage or research responsibilities for the Investment Adviser's affiliates may serve as a member of the Committee or participate in its decision making (except to the extent such person is asked by the Committee to present information to the Committee, on the same basis as other interested knowledgeable parties not affiliated with the Investment Adviser might be asked to do so). The Committee determines how to vote the proxies of all clients, including a Fund, that have delegated proxy voting authority to the Investment Adviser and seeks to ensure that all