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May 31, 2026

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

May 31, 2026 (Unaudited)

| Description                                      | Shares     | Value (\$)         |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------------|
| <b>Equity Securities - Common Stocks — 97.1%</b> |            |                    |
| <b>Australia — .7%</b>                           |            |                    |
| Cochlear Ltd.                                    | 319,400    | 23,071,659         |
| <b>Canada — 2.3%</b>                             |            |                    |
| Alimentation Couche-Tard, Inc.                   | 1,361,100  | 76,898,472         |
| <b>Denmark — 1.7%</b>                            |            |                    |
| Coloplast A/S, Cl. B                             | 882,200    | 54,492,569         |
| <b>Finland — 1.4%</b>                            |            |                    |
| Kone OYJ, Cl. B                                  | 800,400    | 47,855,647         |
| <b>France — 15.1%</b>                            |            |                    |
| Air Liquide SA                                   | 359,500    | 74,672,648         |
| Dassault Systemes SE                             | 2,641,000  | 57,928,095         |
| Hermes International SCA                         | 34,100     | 64,434,269         |
| L’Oreal SA                                       | 171,500    | 76,524,384         |
| LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SE              | 117,500    | 64,832,449         |
| Schneider Electric SE                            | 191,100    | 60,171,596         |
| TotalEnergies SE                                 | 1,119,200  | 98,142,594         |
|                                                  |            | <b>496,706,035</b> |
| <b>Germany — 10.3%</b>                           |            |                    |
| adidas AG                                        | 268,800    | 52,233,817         |
| Infineon Technologies AG                         | 1,383,900  | 130,926,218        |
| Merck KGaA                                       | 512,500    | 78,219,514         |
| SAP SE                                           | 425,000    | 76,965,487         |
|                                                  |            | <b>338,345,036</b> |
| <b>Hong Kong — 5.4%</b>                          |            |                    |
| AIA Group Ltd.                                   | 12,883,900 | 135,219,382        |
| Jardine Matheson Holdings Ltd.                   | 623,500    | 41,387,930         |
|                                                  |            | <b>176,607,312</b> |
| <b>Ireland — 2.1%</b>                            |            |                    |
| Experian PLC                                     | 1,992,800  | 69,051,698         |
| <b>Italy — 2.0%</b>                              |            |                    |
| Ferrari NV                                       | 196,400    | 67,624,699         |
| <b>Japan — 14.4%</b>                             |            |                    |
| Capcom Co. Ltd.                                  | 874,100    | 16,552,824         |
| Daikin Industries Ltd.                           | 455,000    | 66,522,306         |
| Hoya Corp.                                       | 435,700    | 74,082,542         |
| Keyence Corp.                                    | 194,680    | 97,923,679         |
| Nomura Research Institute Ltd.                   | 1,678,700  | 52,933,359         |
| Shin-Etsu Chemical Co. Ltd.                      | 1,879,200  | 91,538,214         |
| Terumo Corp.                                     | 4,828,000  | 72,784,529         |
|                                                  |            | <b>472,337,453</b> |
| <b>Netherlands — 11.1%</b>                       |            |                    |
| ASM International NV                             | 123,500    | 129,414,879        |
| ASML Holding NV                                  | 85,300     | 137,779,181        |
| Universal Music Group NV                         | 2,870,600  | 65,291,223         |
| Wolters Kluwer NV                                | 445,300    | 31,693,661         |
|                                                  |            | <b>364,178,944</b> |

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) (continued)

| Description                                                                                                                         | Shares             | Value (\$)           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Equity Securities - Common Stocks — 97.1% (continued)</b>                                                                        |                    |                      |
| <b>Spain — 4.4%</b>                                                                                                                 |                    |                      |
| Amadeus IT Group SA                                                                                                                 | 1,034,900          | 66,077,057           |
| Industria de Diseno Textil SA                                                                                                       | 1,270,300          | 78,973,433           |
|                                                                                                                                     |                    | <b>145,050,490</b>   |
| <b>Sweden — 2.1%</b>                                                                                                                |                    |                      |
| Atlas Copco AB, Cl. B                                                                                                               | 4,077,400          | <b>69,332,272</b>    |
| <b>Switzerland — 10.4%</b>                                                                                                          |                    |                      |
| ABB Ltd.                                                                                                                            | 457,600            | 49,022,499           |
| Alcon AG                                                                                                                            | 976,700            | 65,192,582           |
| Lonza Group AG                                                                                                                      | 125,300            | 80,328,128           |
| Roche Holding AG <sup>(a)</sup>                                                                                                     | 162,700            | 68,640,202           |
| SGS SA                                                                                                                              | 700,900            | 79,810,380           |
|                                                                                                                                     |                    | <b>342,993,791</b>   |
| <b>Taiwan — 4.2%</b>                                                                                                                |                    |                      |
| Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. Ltd., ADR                                                                                    | 332,940            | <b>139,318,743</b>   |
| <b>United Kingdom — 9.5%</b>                                                                                                        |                    |                      |
| Compass Group PLC                                                                                                                   | 3,101,100          | 99,762,387           |
| Halma PLC                                                                                                                           | 1,159,000          | 73,077,841           |
| National Grid PLC <sup>(b)</sup>                                                                                                    | 4,568,300          | 73,548,709           |
| The Sage Group PLC                                                                                                                  | 5,736,300          | 65,076,034           |
|                                                                                                                                     |                    | <b>311,464,971</b>   |
| <b>Total Equity Securities - Common Stocks</b><br>(cost \$1,937,366,105)                                                            |                    | <b>3,195,329,791</b> |
|                                                                                                                                     | 1-Day<br>Yield (%) |                      |
| <b>Investment Companies — .0%</b>                                                                                                   |                    |                      |
| <b>Registered Investment Companies — .0%</b>                                                                                        |                    |                      |
| BNY Dreyfus Institutional Preferred Government Plus Money Market Fund, Institutional<br>Shares <sup>(c)</sup><br>(cost \$89,491)    | 3.68               | 89,491               |
|                                                                                                                                     |                    | <b>89,491</b>        |
| <b>Investment of Cash Collateral for Securities Loaned — .1%</b>                                                                    |                    |                      |
| <b>Registered Investment Companies — .1%</b>                                                                                        |                    |                      |
| BNY Dreyfus Institutional Preferred Government Plus Money Market Fund, Institutional<br>Shares <sup>(c)</sup><br>(cost \$1,769,621) | 3.68               | 1,769,621            |
|                                                                                                                                     |                    | <b>1,769,621</b>     |
| <b>Total Investments</b> (cost \$1,939,225,217)                                                                                     | <b>97.2%</b>       | <b>3,197,188,903</b> |
| <b>Cash and Receivables (Net)</b>                                                                                                   | <b>2.8%</b>        | <b>92,484,492</b>    |
| <b>Net Assets</b>                                                                                                                   | <b>100.0%</b>      | <b>3,289,673,395</b> |

ADR—American Depositary Receipt

<sup>(a)</sup> Non-income producing security.

<sup>(b)</sup> Security, or portion thereof, on loan. At May 31, 2026, the value of the fund's securities on loan was \$75,605,700 and the value of the collateral was \$81,226,384, consisting of cash collateral of \$1,769,621 and U.S. Government & Agency securities valued at \$79,456,763. In addition, the value of collateral may include pending sales that are also on loan.

<sup>(c)</sup> Investment in affiliated issuer. The investment objective of this investment company is publicly available and can be found within the investment company's prospectus.

| Affiliated Issuers                                                                                   |                          |                             |                      |                         |                                  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Description                                                                                          | Value (\$)<br>11/30/2025 | Purchases (\$) <sup>†</sup> | Sales (\$)           | Value (\$)<br>5/31/2026 | Dividends/<br>Distributions (\$) |
| <b>Registered Investment Companies - .0%</b>                                                         |                          |                             |                      |                         |                                  |
| BNY Dreyfus Institutional Preferred Government Plus Money<br>Market Fund, Institutional Shares - .0% | 50,768,255               | 637,969,300                 | (688,648,064)        | 89,491                  | 537,585                          |
| <b>Investment of Cash Collateral for Securities Loaned - .1%</b>                                     |                          |                             |                      |                         |                                  |
| BNY Dreyfus Institutional Preferred Government Plus Money<br>Market Fund, Institutional Shares - .1% | -                        | 1,775,914                   | (6,293)              | 1,769,621               | 2,036 <sup>††</sup>              |
| <b>Total - .1%</b>                                                                                   | <b>50,768,255</b>        | <b>639,745,214</b>          | <b>(688,654,357)</b> | <b>1,859,112</b>        | <b>539,621</b>                   |

<sup>†</sup> Includes reinvested dividends/distributions.

<sup>††</sup> Represents securities lending income earned from the reinvestment of cash collateral from loaned securities, net of fees and collateral investment expenses, and other payments to and from borrowers of securities.

See notes to financial statements.

# STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

May 31, 2026 (Unaudited)

|                                                                                                                            | Cost          | Value                |               |               |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Assets (\$):</b>                                                                                                        |               |                      |               |               |
| Investments in securities—See Schedule of Investments<br>(including securities on loan, valued at \$75,605,700)—Note 1(c): |               |                      |               |               |
| Unaffiliated issuers                                                                                                       | 1,937,366,105 | 3,195,329,791        |               |               |
| Affiliated issuers                                                                                                         | 1,859,112     | 1,859,112            |               |               |
| Cash denominated in foreign currency                                                                                       | 1,148,022     | 1,147,572            |               |               |
| Receivable for investment securities sold                                                                                  |               | 102,884,619          |               |               |
| Tax reclaim receivable—Note 1(b)                                                                                           |               | 20,087,809           |               |               |
| Dividends and securities lending income receivable                                                                         |               | 8,595,189            |               |               |
| Receivable for shares of Common Stock subscribed                                                                           |               | 383,140              |               |               |
| Prepaid expenses                                                                                                           |               | 70,504               |               |               |
|                                                                                                                            |               | <b>3,330,357,736</b> |               |               |
| <b>Liabilities (\$):</b>                                                                                                   |               |                      |               |               |
| Due to BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. and affiliates—Note 3(c)                                                        |               | 2,610,392            |               |               |
| Payable for shares of Common Stock redeemed                                                                                |               | 33,998,026           |               |               |
| Note payable—Note 2                                                                                                        |               | 1,900,000            |               |               |
| Liability for securities on loan—Note 1(c)                                                                                 |               | 1,769,621            |               |               |
| Directors’ fees and expenses payable                                                                                       |               | 134,957              |               |               |
| Interest payable—Note 2                                                                                                    |               | 3,388                |               |               |
| Other accrued expenses                                                                                                     |               | 267,957              |               |               |
|                                                                                                                            |               | <b>40,684,341</b>    |               |               |
| <b>Net Assets (\$)</b>                                                                                                     |               | <b>3,289,673,395</b> |               |               |
| <b>Composition of Net Assets (\$):</b>                                                                                     |               |                      |               |               |
| Paid-in capital                                                                                                            |               | 1,344,204,164        |               |               |
| Total distributable earnings (loss)                                                                                        |               | 1,945,469,231        |               |               |
| <b>Net Assets (\$)</b>                                                                                                     |               | <b>3,289,673,395</b> |               |               |
|                                                                                                                            |               |                      |               |               |
| <b>Net Asset Value Per Share</b>                                                                                           | Class A       | Class C              | Class I       | Class Y       |
| Net Assets (\$)                                                                                                            | 47,508,007    | 4,110,996            | 1,766,412,160 | 1,471,642,232 |
| Shares Outstanding                                                                                                         | 2,067,470     | 185,233              | 76,300,498    | 64,530,270    |
| <b>Net Asset Value Per Share (\$)</b>                                                                                      | <b>22.98</b>  | <b>22.19</b>         | <b>23.15</b>  | <b>22.81</b>  |

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## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended May 31, 2026 (Unaudited)

|                                                                                                       |                    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Investment Income (\$):</b>                                                                        |                    |
| <b>Income:</b>                                                                                        |                    |
| Cash dividends (net of \$5,581,989 foreign taxes withheld at source):                                 |                    |
| Unaffiliated issuers                                                                                  | 45,260,215         |
| Affiliated issuers                                                                                    | 537,585            |
| Interest                                                                                              | 96,122             |
| Affiliated income net of rebates from securities lending—Note 1(c)                                    | 2,036              |
| <b>Total Income</b>                                                                                   | <b>45,895,958</b>  |
| <b>Expenses:</b>                                                                                      |                    |
| Management fee—Note 3(a)                                                                              | 16,324,406         |
| Shareholder servicing costs—Note 3(c)                                                                 | 521,167            |
| Directors' fees and expenses—Note 3(d)                                                                | 267,113            |
| Custodian fees—Note 3(c)                                                                              | 145,191            |
| Prospectus and shareholders' reports                                                                  | 94,069             |
| Professional fees                                                                                     | 74,131             |
| Interest expense—Note 2                                                                               | 68,167             |
| Registration fees                                                                                     | 43,782             |
| Loan commitment fees—Note 2                                                                           | 37,578             |
| Chief Compliance Officer fees—Note 3(c)                                                               | 19,990             |
| Distribution plan fees—Note 3(b)                                                                      | 15,611             |
| Shareholder and regulatory reports service fees—Note 3(c)                                             | 10,000             |
| Miscellaneous                                                                                         | 85,684             |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                                                                                 | <b>17,706,889</b>  |
| <b>Net Investment Income</b>                                                                          | <b>28,189,069</b>  |
| <b>Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments—Note 4 (\$):</b>                                |                    |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments and foreign currency transactions                             | 638,778,685        |
| Net realized gain (loss) on in-kind redemptions                                                       | 21,177,240         |
| <b>Net Realized Gain (Loss)</b>                                                                       | <b>659,955,925</b> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and foreign currency transactions | (422,783,008)      |
| <b>Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments</b>                                         | <b>237,172,917</b> |
| <b>Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations</b>                                           | <b>265,361,986</b> |

See notes to financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

|                                                                          | Six Months Ended<br>May 31, 2026<br>(Unaudited) | Year Ended<br>November 30, 2025 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Operations (\$):</b>                                                  |                                                 |                                 |
| Net investment income                                                    | 28,189,069                                      | 49,312,808                      |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments                                  | 659,955,925                                     | 476,700,644                     |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments      | (422,783,008)                                   | (430,213,040)                   |
| <b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations</b>   | <b>265,361,986</b>                              | <b>95,800,412</b>               |
| <b>Distributions (\$):</b>                                               |                                                 |                                 |
| Distributions to shareholders:                                           |                                                 |                                 |
| Class A                                                                  | (4,604,927)                                     | (1,944,382)                     |
| Class C                                                                  | (402,947)                                       | (208,386)                       |
| Class I                                                                  | (243,173,271)                                   | (125,502,190)                   |
| Class Y                                                                  | (186,202,275)                                   | (96,038,475)                    |
| <b>Total Distributions</b>                                               | <b>(434,383,420)</b>                            | <b>(223,693,433)</b>            |
| <b>Capital Stock Transactions (\$):</b>                                  |                                                 |                                 |
| Net proceeds from shares sold:                                           |                                                 |                                 |
| Class A                                                                  | 4,515,147                                       | 11,048,119                      |
| Class C                                                                  | 166,418                                         | 526,843                         |
| Class I                                                                  | 166,064,701                                     | 448,215,284                     |
| Class Y                                                                  | 51,288,963                                      | 248,261,788                     |
| Distributions reinvested:                                                |                                                 |                                 |
| Class A                                                                  | 3,863,083                                       | 1,637,357                       |
| Class C                                                                  | 402,947                                         | 208,386                         |
| Class I                                                                  | 229,534,700                                     | 120,241,143                     |
| Class Y                                                                  | 108,169,853                                     | 53,398,371                      |
| Cost of shares redeemed:                                                 |                                                 |                                 |
| Class A                                                                  | (9,154,496)                                     | (18,767,172)                    |
| Class C                                                                  | (1,057,746)                                     | (2,823,568)                     |
| Class I                                                                  | (1,096,231,019)                                 | (1,295,968,451)                 |
| Class Y                                                                  | (529,770,646)                                   | (847,059,336)                   |
| <b>Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Capital Stock Transactions</b> | <b>(1,072,208,095)</b>                          | <b>(1,281,081,236)</b>          |
| <b>Total Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets</b>                           | <b>(1,241,229,529)</b>                          | <b>(1,408,974,257)</b>          |
| <b>Net Assets (\$):</b>                                                  |                                                 |                                 |
| Beginning of Period                                                      | 4,530,902,924                                   | 5,939,877,181                   |
| <b>End of Period</b>                                                     | <b>3,289,673,395</b>                            | <b>4,530,902,924</b>            |

|                                                      | Six Months Ended<br>May 31, 2026<br>(Unaudited) | Year Ended<br>November 30, 2025 |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Capital Share Transactions (Shares):</b>          |                                                 |                                 |
| <b>Class A<sup>(a)</sup></b>                         |                                                 |                                 |
| Shares sold                                          | 205,145                                         | 472,887                         |
| Shares issued for distributions reinvested           | 179,788                                         | 70,312                          |
| Shares redeemed                                      | (413,923)                                       | (801,303)                       |
| <b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding</b> | <b>(28,990)</b>                                 | <b>(258,104)</b>                |
| <b>Class C<sup>(a)</sup></b>                         |                                                 |                                 |
| Shares sold                                          | 7,698                                           | 23,254                          |
| Shares issued for distributions reinvested           | 19,350                                          | 9,217                           |
| Shares redeemed                                      | (49,197)                                        | (124,517)                       |
| <b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding</b> | <b>(22,149)</b>                                 | <b>(92,046)</b>                 |
| <b>Class I<sup>(b)</sup></b>                         |                                                 |                                 |
| Shares sold                                          | 7,467,651                                       | 19,130,753                      |
| Shares issued for distributions reinvested           | 10,613,517                                      | 5,133,297                       |
| Shares redeemed                                      | (49,796,120)                                    | (55,173,117)                    |
| <b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding</b> | <b>(31,714,952)</b>                             | <b>(30,909,067)</b>             |
| <b>Class Y<sup>(b)</sup></b>                         |                                                 |                                 |
| Shares sold                                          | 2,333,114                                       | 10,625,530                      |
| Shares issued for distributions reinvested           | 5,080,467                                       | 2,309,970                       |
| Shares redeemed                                      | (24,175,570)                                    | (36,603,280)                    |
| <b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Shares Outstanding</b> | <b>(16,761,989)</b>                             | <b>(23,667,780)</b>             |

<sup>(a)</sup> During the period ended November 30, 2025, 25 Class C shares representing \$579 were automatically converted to 25 Class A shares.

<sup>(b)</sup> During the period ended May 31, 2026, 1,307,978 Class Y shares representing \$28,371,684 were exchanged for 1,288,593 Class I shares and during the period ended November 30, 2025, 911,808 Class Y shares representing \$21,220,310 were exchanged for 899,842 Class I shares.

See notes to financial statements.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables describe the performance for each share class for the fiscal periods indicated. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single fund share. Net asset value total return is calculated assuming an initial investment made at the net asset value at the beginning of the period, reinvestment of all dividends and distributions at net asset value during the period, and redemption at net asset value on the last day of the period. Net asset value total return includes adjustments in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and as such, the net asset value for financial reporting purposes and the returns based upon those net asset values may differ from the net asset value and returns for shareholder transactions.

|                                                        | Six Months Ended<br>May 31, 2026<br>(Unaudited) | Year Ended November 30, |                     |                     |                     |        |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------|
| Class A Shares                                         |                                                 | 2025                    | 2024                | 2023                | 2022                | 2021   |
| Per Share Data (\$):                                   |                                                 |                         |                     |                     |                     |        |
| Net asset value, beginning of period                   | 23.58                                           | 24.03                   | 22.88               | 21.31               | 25.66               | 24.09  |
| Investment Operations:                                 |                                                 |                         |                     |                     |                     |        |
| Net investment income <sup>(a)</sup>                   | .13                                             | .14                     | .12                 | .14                 | .10                 | .05    |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | 1.52                                            | .25                     | 1.46                | 1.88                | (4.31)              | 2.21   |
| Total from Investment Operations                       | 1.65                                            | .39                     | 1.58                | 2.02                | (4.21)              | 2.26   |
| Distributions:                                         |                                                 |                         |                     |                     |                     |        |
| Dividends from net investment income                   | (.20)                                           | (.13)                   | (.12)               | (.12)               | (.05)               | (.08)  |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments        | (2.05)                                          | (.71)                   | (.31)               | (.33)               | (.09)               | (.61)  |
| Total Distributions                                    | (2.25)                                          | (.84)                   | (.43)               | (.45)               | (.14)               | (.69)  |
| Net asset value, end of period                         | 22.98                                           | 23.58                   | 24.03               | 22.88               | 21.31               | 25.66  |
| Total Return (%) <sup>(b)</sup>                        | 7.66 <sup>(c)</sup>                             | 1.66                    | 7.00                | 9.59                | (16.50)             | 9.58   |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):                          |                                                 |                         |                     |                     |                     |        |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets          | 1.24 <sup>(d)</sup>                             | 1.23                    | 1.24                | 1.23                | 1.29                | 1.27   |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets            | 1.24 <sup>(d)</sup>                             | 1.23 <sup>(e)</sup>     | 1.24 <sup>(e)</sup> | 1.23 <sup>(e)</sup> | 1.29 <sup>(e)</sup> | 1.27   |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets   | 1.14 <sup>(d)</sup>                             | .61 <sup>(e)</sup>      | .50 <sup>(e)</sup>  | .62 <sup>(e)</sup>  | .45 <sup>(e)</sup>  | .20    |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate                                | 2.25 <sup>(c),(f)</sup>                         | 8.62                    | 12.30               | 7.37                | 6.98                | 8.72   |
| Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)                 | 47,508                                          | 49,438                  | 56,575              | 53,400              | 55,110              | 74,707 |

<sup>(a)</sup> Based on average shares outstanding.

<sup>(b)</sup> Exclusive of sales charge.

<sup>(c)</sup> Not annualized.

<sup>(d)</sup> Annualized.

<sup>(e)</sup> Amount inclusive of reduction in fees due to earnings credits.

<sup>(f)</sup> Portfolio turnover rate does not include securities delivered from processing in-kind redemptions.

See notes to financial statements.

|                                                                | Six Months Ended<br>May 31, 2026<br>(Unaudited) | Year Ended November 30, |                      |                      |                      |        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------|
| Class C Shares                                                 |                                                 | 2025                    | 2024                 | 2023                 | 2022                 | 2021   |
| Per Share Data (\$):                                           |                                                 |                         |                      |                      |                      |        |
| Net asset value, beginning of period                           | 22.74                                           | 23.24                   | 22.19                | 20.71                | 25.07                | 23.63  |
| Investment Operations:                                         |                                                 |                         |                      |                      |                      |        |
| Net investment income (loss) <sup>(a)</sup>                    | .04                                             | (.03)                   | (.05)                | (.04)                | (.05)                | (.12)  |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on<br>investments      | 1.46                                            | .24                     | 1.41                 | 1.85                 | (4.22)               | 2.17   |
| Total from Investment Operations                               | 1.50                                            | .21                     | 1.36                 | 1.81                 | (4.27)               | 2.05   |
| Distributions:                                                 |                                                 |                         |                      |                      |                      |        |
| Dividends from net realized gain on<br>investments             | (2.05)                                          | (.71)                   | (.31)                | (.33)                | (.09)                | (.61)  |
| Net asset value, end of period                                 | 22.19                                           | 22.74                   | 23.24                | 22.19                | 20.71                | 25.07  |
| Total Return (%) <sup>(b)</sup>                                | 7.20 <sup>(c)</sup>                             | .93                     | 6.17                 | 8.83                 | (17.10)              | 8.85   |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):                                  |                                                 |                         |                      |                      |                      |        |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets                  | 2.01 <sup>(d)</sup>                             | 1.99                    | 1.97                 | 1.98                 | 1.98                 | 1.97   |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets                    | 2.01 <sup>(d)</sup>                             | 1.99 <sup>(e)</sup>     | 1.97 <sup>(e)</sup>  | 1.98 <sup>(e)</sup>  | 1.98 <sup>(e)</sup>  | 1.97   |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to<br>average net assets | .38 <sup>(d)</sup>                              | (.15) <sup>(e)</sup>    | (.21) <sup>(e)</sup> | (.18) <sup>(e)</sup> | (.24) <sup>(e)</sup> | (.47)  |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate                                        | 2.25 <sup>(c),(f)</sup>                         | 8.62                    | 12.30                | 7.37                 | 6.98                 | 8.72   |
| Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)                         | 4,111                                           | 4,715                   | 6,959                | 8,255                | 5,903                | 11,190 |

<sup>(a)</sup> Based on average shares outstanding.

<sup>(b)</sup> Exclusive of sales charge.

<sup>(c)</sup> Not annualized.

<sup>(d)</sup> Annualized.

<sup>(e)</sup> Amount inclusive of reduction in fees due to earnings credits.

<sup>(f)</sup> Portfolio turnover rate does not include securities delivered from processing in-kind redemptions.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

|                                                        | Six Months Ended<br>May 31, 2026<br>(Unaudited) | Year Ended November 30, |                    |                    |                    |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Class I Shares                                         |                                                 | 2025                    | 2024               | 2023               | 2022               | 2021      |
| <b>Per Share Data (\$):</b>                            |                                                 |                         |                    |                    |                    |           |
| Net asset value, beginning of period                   | 23.78                                           | 24.22                   | 23.07              | 21.50              | 25.88              | 24.27     |
| Investment Operations:                                 |                                                 |                         |                    |                    |                    |           |
| Net investment income <sup>(a)</sup>                   | .16                                             | .22                     | .20                | .20                | .18                | .14       |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | 1.53                                            | .25                     | 1.46               | 1.90               | (4.33)             | 2.23      |
| Total from Investment Operations                       | 1.69                                            | .47                     | 1.66               | 2.10               | (4.15)             | 2.37      |
| Distributions:                                         |                                                 |                         |                    |                    |                    |           |
| Dividends from net investment income                   | (.27)                                           | (.20)                   | (.20)              | (.20)              | (.14)              | (.15)     |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments        | (2.05)                                          | (.71)                   | (.31)              | (.33)              | (.09)              | (.61)     |
| Total Distributions                                    | (2.32)                                          | (.91)                   | (.51)              | (.53)              | (.23)              | (.76)     |
| Net asset value, end of period                         | 23.15                                           | 23.78                   | 24.22              | 23.07              | 21.50              | 25.88     |
| <b>Total Return (%)</b>                                | 7.81 <sup>(b)</sup>                             | 2.01                    | 7.29               | 9.95               | (16.20)            | 10.01     |
| <b>Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):</b>                   |                                                 |                         |                    |                    |                    |           |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets          | .93 <sup>(c)</sup>                              | .93                     | .93                | .93                | .92                | .91       |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets            | .93 <sup>(c)</sup>                              | .93 <sup>(d)</sup>      | .93 <sup>(d)</sup> | .93 <sup>(d)</sup> | .92 <sup>(d)</sup> | .91       |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets   | 1.45 <sup>(c)</sup>                             | .92 <sup>(d)</sup>      | .82 <sup>(d)</sup> | .90 <sup>(d)</sup> | .81 <sup>(d)</sup> | .56       |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate                                | 2.25 <sup>(b),(e)</sup>                         | 8.62                    | 12.30              | 7.37               | 6.98               | 8.72      |
| <b>Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)</b>          | 1,766,412                                       | 2,568,650               | 3,365,411          | 3,345,179          | 2,925,622          | 3,847,708 |

<sup>(a)</sup> Based on average shares outstanding.

<sup>(b)</sup> Not annualized.

<sup>(c)</sup> Annualized.

<sup>(d)</sup> Amount inclusive of reduction in fees due to earnings credits.

<sup>(e)</sup> Portfolio turnover rate does not include securities delivered from processing in-kind redemptions.

See notes to financial statements.

|                                                        | Six Months Ended<br>May 31, 2026<br>(Unaudited) | Year Ended November 30, |                    |                    |                    |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Class Y Shares                                         |                                                 | 2025                    | 2024               | 2023               | 2022               | 2021      |
| Per Share Data (\$):                                   |                                                 |                         |                    |                    |                    |           |
| Net asset value, beginning of period                   | 23.47                                           | 23.92                   | 22.79              | 21.24              | 25.57              | 23.99     |
| Investment Operations:                                 |                                                 |                         |                    |                    |                    |           |
| Net investment income <sup>(a)</sup>                   | .16                                             | .22                     | .21                | .21                | .19                | .15       |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments | 1.51                                            | .25                     | 1.44               | 1.88               | (4.28)             | 2.19      |
| Total from Investment Operations                       | 1.67                                            | .47                     | 1.65               | 2.09               | (4.09)             | 2.34      |
| Distributions:                                         |                                                 |                         |                    |                    |                    |           |
| Dividends from net investment income                   | (.28)                                           | (.21)                   | (.21)              | (.21)              | (.15)              | (.15)     |
| Dividends from net realized gain on investments        | (2.05)                                          | (.71)                   | (.31)              | (.33)              | (.09)              | (.61)     |
| Total Distributions                                    | (2.33)                                          | (.92)                   | (.52)              | (.54)              | (.24)              | (.76)     |
| Net asset value, end of period                         | 22.81                                           | 23.47                   | 23.92              | 22.79              | 21.24              | 25.57     |
| Total Return (%)                                       | 7.81 <sup>(b)</sup>                             | 2.04                    | 7.33               | 10.02              | (16.17)            | 10.02     |
| Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):                          |                                                 |                         |                    |                    |                    |           |
| Ratio of total expenses to average net assets          | .89 <sup>(c)</sup>                              | .88                     | .89                | .89                | .89                | .88       |
| Ratio of net expenses to average net assets            | .89 <sup>(c)</sup>                              | .88 <sup>(d)</sup>      | .89 <sup>(d)</sup> | .89 <sup>(d)</sup> | .89 <sup>(d)</sup> | .88       |
| Ratio of net investment income to average net assets   | 1.50 <sup>(c)</sup>                             | .96 <sup>(d)</sup>      | .85 <sup>(d)</sup> | .95 <sup>(d)</sup> | .85 <sup>(d)</sup> | .59       |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate                                | 2.25 <sup>(b),(e)</sup>                         | 8.62                    | 12.30              | 7.37               | 6.98               | 8.72      |
| Net Assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)                 | 1,471,642                                       | 1,908,099               | 2,510,932          | 2,277,044          | 2,325,263          | 3,069,335 |

<sup>(a)</sup> Based on average shares outstanding.

<sup>(b)</sup> Not annualized.

<sup>(c)</sup> Annualized.

<sup>(d)</sup> Amount inclusive of reduction in fees due to earnings credits.

<sup>(e)</sup> Portfolio turnover rate does not include securities delivered from processing in-kind redemptions.

See notes to financial statements.

**NOTE 1—Significant Accounting Policies:**

BNY Mellon International Stock Fund (the “fund”) is a separate diversified series of BNY Mellon Strategic Funds, Inc. (the “Company”), which is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Act”), as an open-end management investment company and operates as a series company currently offering three series, including the fund. The fund’s investment objective is to seek long-term total return. BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. (the “Adviser”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation (“BNY”), serves as the fund’s investment adviser. Walter Scott & Partners Limited (the “Sub-Adviser”), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of BNY and an affiliate of the Adviser, serves as the fund’s sub-adviser.

BNY Mellon Securities Corporation (the “Distributor”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Adviser, is the distributor of the fund’s shares. The fund is authorized to issue 700 million shares of \$.001 par value of Common Stock. The fund currently has authorized four classes of shares: Class A (100 million shares authorized), Class C (100 million shares authorized), Class I (250 million shares authorized) and Class Y (250 million shares authorized). Class A and Class C shares are sold primarily to retail investors through financial intermediaries and bear distribution and/or shareholder services plan fees. Class A shares generally are subject to a sales charge imposed at the time of purchase. Class A shares bought without an initial sales charge as part of an investment of \$1 million or more may be charged a contingent deferred sales charge (“CDSC”) of 1.00% if redeemed within one year. Class C shares are subject to a CDSC imposed on Class C shares redeemed within one year of purchase. Class C shares automatically convert to Class A shares eight years after the date of purchase, without the imposition of a sales charge. Class I shares are sold primarily to bank trust departments and other financial service providers (including BNY and its affiliates), acting on behalf of customers having a qualified trust or an investment account or relationship at such institution, and bear no distribution or shareholder services plan fees. Class Y shares are sold at net asset value per share generally to institutional investors, and bear no distribution or shareholder services plan fees. Class I and Class Y shares are offered without a front-end sales charge or CDSC. Other differences between the classes include the services offered to and the expenses borne by each class, the allocation of certain transfer agency costs and certain voting rights. Income, expenses (other than expenses attributable to a specific class), and realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments are allocated to each class of shares based on its relative net assets.

The Company accounts separately for the assets, liabilities and operations of each series. Expenses directly attributable to each series are charged to that series’ operations; expenses which are applicable to all series of the Company are allocated among them on a pro rata basis.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) is the exclusive reference of authoritative U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the SEC under authority of federal laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. The fund is an investment company and applies the accounting and reporting guidance of the FASB ASC Topic 946 Financial Services—Investment Companies. The fund’s financial statements are prepared in accordance with GAAP, which may require the use of management estimates and assumptions. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The Company enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The fund’s maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. The fund does not anticipate recognizing any loss related to these arrangements.

**(a) Portfolio valuation:** The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e., the exit price). GAAP establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs of valuation techniques used to measure fair value. This hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

Additionally, GAAP provides guidance on determining whether the volume and activity in a market has decreased significantly and whether such a decrease in activity results in transactions that are not orderly. GAAP requires enhanced disclosures around valuation inputs and techniques used during annual and interim periods.

Various inputs are used in determining the value of the fund’s investments relating to fair value measurements. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

**Level 1**—unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical investments.

**Level 2**—other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

**Level 3**—significant unobservable inputs (including the fund’s own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

Changes in valuation techniques may result in transfers in or out of an assigned level within the disclosure hierarchy. Valuation techniques used to value the fund's investments are as follows:

Equity investments generally are valued at the last sale price on the day of valuation on the securities exchange or national securities market on which such securities primarily are traded. Securities listed on Nasdaq markets generally will be valued at the official closing price. If there are no transactions in a security, or no official closing prices for a Nasdaq market-listed security on that day, the security will be valued at the average of the most recent bid and asked prices. Bid price is used when no asked price is available. Open short positions for which there is no sale price on a given day are valued at the lowest asked price. Investments in other open-end investment companies are valued at their reported net asset values ("NAVs") each day. All of the preceding securities are generally categorized within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

Fair value of foreign equity securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using correlations between the movement of prices of foreign securities and indexes of domestic securities and other appropriate indicators, such as closing market prices of relevant ADRs and futures contracts. The valuation of a security based on this fair value process may differ from the security's most recent closing price and from the prices used by other mutual funds to calculate their NAVs. Foreign securities held by a fund may trade on days when the fund does not calculate its NAV and thus may affect the fund's NAV on days when investors will not be able to purchase or sell (redeem) fund shares. Utilizing these techniques may result in transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Restricted securities, as well as securities or other assets for which recent market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value (such as when the value of a security has been materially affected by events occurring after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the fund calculates its NAV), or which are not valued by one or more independent pricing services, are valued at fair value as determined in good faith based on procedures approved by the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board"). Fair value of investments is determined by the Adviser, as the fund's valuation designee pursuant to Rule 2a-5 under the Act, using such information as it deems appropriate under the circumstances. The factors that may be considered when fair valuing a security include fundamental analytical data, the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition, an evaluation of the forces that influence the market in which the securities are purchased and sold, and public trading in similar securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. Using fair value to price investments may result in a value that is different from a security's most recent closing price and from the prices used by other mutual funds to calculate their NAVs. These securities are either categorized within Level 2 or 3 of the fair value hierarchy depending on the relevant inputs used.

Market quotations of foreign securities in foreign currencies and any fund assets or liabilities initially expressed in terms of foreign currency are translated into U.S. dollars at the spot rate.

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of May 31, 2026 in valuing the fund's investments:

|                                         | Level 1 -<br>Unadjusted<br>Quoted Prices | Level 2- Other<br>Significant<br>Observable Inputs | Level 3-<br>Significant<br>Unobservable<br>Inputs | Total                |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Assets (\$)</b>                      |                                          |                                                    |                                                   |                      |
| Investments in Securities: <sup>†</sup> |                                          |                                                    |                                                   |                      |
| Equity Securities - Common Stocks       | 3,195,329,791                            | —                                                  | —                                                 | 3,195,329,791        |
| Investment Companies                    | 1,859,112                                | —                                                  | —                                                 | 1,859,112            |
|                                         | <u>3,197,188,903</u>                     | <u>—</u>                                           | <u>—</u>                                          | <u>3,197,188,903</u> |

<sup>†</sup> See Schedule of Investments for additional detailed categorizations, if any.

**(b) Foreign currency transactions:** The fund does not isolate that portion of the results of operations resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in the market prices of securities held. Such fluctuations are included with the net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.

Net realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized on securities transactions between trade and settlement date, and the difference between the amounts of dividends, interest and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the fund's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. Net unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arise from changes in the value of assets and liabilities other than investments resulting from changes in exchange rates. Foreign currency gains and losses on foreign currency transactions are also included with net realized and unrealized gain or loss on investments.

**Foreign taxes:** The fund may be subject to foreign taxes (a portion of which may be reclaimable) on income, stock dividends, realized and unrealized capital gains on investments or certain foreign currency transactions. Foreign taxes are recorded in accordance with the applicable foreign tax regulations and rates that exist in the foreign jurisdictions in which the fund invests. These foreign taxes, if any, are paid by the fund and are reflected in the Statement of Operations, if applicable. Foreign taxes payable or deferred or those subject to reclaims as of May 31, 2026, if any, are disclosed in the fund's Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

**(c) Securities transactions and investment income:** Securities transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. Realized gains and losses from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date and interest income, including, where applicable, accretion of discount and amortization of premium on investments, is recognized on the accrual basis.

Pursuant to a securities lending agreement with BNY, the fund may lend securities to qualified institutions. It is the fund's policy that, at origination, all loans are secured by collateral of at least 102% of the value of U.S. securities loaned and 105% of the value of foreign securities loaned. Collateral equivalent to at least 100% of the market value of securities on loan is maintained at all times. Collateral is either in the form of cash, which can be invested in certain money market mutual funds managed by the Adviser, or U.S. Government and Agency securities. Any non-cash collateral received cannot be sold or re-pledged by the fund, except in the event of borrower default, and is not reflected in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. The securities on loan, if any, are also disclosed in the fund's Schedule of Investments. The fund is entitled to receive all dividends, interest and distributions on securities loaned, in addition to income earned as a result of the lending transaction. Should a borrower fail to return the securities in a timely manner, BNY is required to replace the securities for the benefit of the fund or credit the fund with the market value of the unreturned securities and is subrogated to the fund's rights against the borrower and the collateral. Additionally, the contractual maturity of security lending transactions are on an overnight and continuous basis. During the period ended May 31, 2026, BNY earned \$459 from the lending of the fund's portfolio securities, pursuant to the securities lending agreement.

For financial reporting purposes, the fund elects not to offset assets and liabilities subject to a securities lending agreement, if any, in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Therefore, all qualifying transactions are presented on a gross basis in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. As of May 31, 2026, the fund had securities lending and the impact of netting of assets and liabilities and the offsetting of collateral pledged or received, if any, based on contractual netting/set-off provisions in the securities lending agreement are detailed in the following table:

#### Assets (\$)

|                                                                                                      |                           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Gross amount of securities loaned, at value, as disclosed in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities | 75,605,700                |
| Collateral (received)/posted not offset in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities                   | (75,605,700) <sup>†</sup> |
| Net amount                                                                                           | -                         |

<sup>†</sup> The value of the related collateral received by the fund exceeded the value of the securities loaned by the fund pursuant to the securities lending agreement. In addition, the value of collateral may include pending sales that are also on loan. See Schedule of Investments for detailed information regarding collateral received for open securities lending.

**(d) Affiliated issuers:** Investments in other investment companies advised by the Adviser are considered "affiliated" under the Act.

**(e) Market Risk:** The value of the securities in which the fund invests may be affected by political, regulatory, economic and social developments, and developments that impact specific economic sectors, industries or segments of the market. In addition, turbulence in financial markets and reduced liquidity in equity, credit and/or fixed-income markets may negatively affect many issuers, which could adversely affect the fund. Global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, and conditions and events

in one country, region or financial market may adversely impact issuers in a different country, region or financial market. These risks may be magnified if certain events or developments adversely interrupt the global supply chain; in these and other circumstances, such risks might affect companies world-wide. Local, regional or global events such as war, military conflicts, acts of terrorism, natural disasters, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues, recessions, elevated levels of government debt, changes in trade regulation or economic sanctions, internal unrest and discord, or other events could have a significant impact on the fund and its investments.

**Foreign Investment Risk:** To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, the fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign issuers. Special risks associated with investments in foreign issuers include exposure to currency fluctuations, less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political and economic instability and differing auditing and legal standards. Investments denominated in foreign currencies are subject to the risk that such currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar and affect the value of these investments held by the fund. To the extent the fund's investments are focused in a limited number of foreign countries, the fund's performance could be more volatile than that of more geographically diversified funds.

**(f) Dividends and distributions to shareholders:** Dividends and distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Dividends from net investment income and dividends from net realized capital gains, if any, are normally declared and paid annually, but the fund may make distributions on a more frequent basis to comply with the distribution requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). To the extent that net realized capital gains can be offset by capital loss carryovers, it is the policy of the fund not to distribute such gains. Income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from GAAP.

**(g) Federal income taxes:** It is the policy of the fund to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company, if such qualification is in the best interests of its shareholders, by complying with the applicable provisions of the Code, and to make distributions of taxable income and net realized capital gain sufficient to relieve it from substantially all federal income and excise taxes.

As of and during the period ended May 31, 2026, the fund did not have any liabilities for any uncertain tax positions. The fund recognizes interest and penalties, if any, related to uncertain tax positions as income tax expense in the Statement of Operations. During the period ended May 31, 2026, the fund did not incur any interest or penalties.

Each tax year in the three-year period ended November 30, 2025 remains subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service and state taxing authorities.

The tax character of distributions paid to shareholders during the fiscal year ended November 30, 2025 were as follows: ordinary income \$50,160,307 and long-term capital gains \$173,533,126. The tax character of current year distributions will be determined at the end of the current fiscal year.

**(h) In-kind redemptions:** The fund transferred securities and cash to shareholders in connection with an in-kind redemption transaction. For financial reporting purposes, these transactions were treated as sales of securities and the resulting gains and losses were recognized based on the market value of the securities on the date of the redemption. For the period ended May 31, 2026, the fund had in-kind redemptions of \$45,131,476. For tax purposes, no gains or losses were recognized. Net gains and losses resulting from such in-kind redemptions are shown in the Statement of Operations.

**(i) Operating segment reporting:** In accordance with FASB Accounting Standards Update 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280) - Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures ("ASU 2023-07"), the fund has operated and been managed as a single reportable segment, generating returns through dividends, interest, and/or gains from investments aligned with its single stated investment objective as outlined in the fund's prospectus. The fund's accounting policies are consistent with those described in these Notes to Financial Statements. The chief operating decision maker ("CODM") is represented by BNY Investments and is comprised of Senior Management and Directors of BNY Investments. The CODM considers the net increase in net assets resulting from operations when deciding whether to purchase additional investments or make distributions to shareholders. Detailed financial information for the fund is presented in these financial statements, including total assets and liabilities in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, investments held in the Schedule of Investments, results of operations and significant segment expenses in the Statement of Operations, and additional performance information—such as total return, portfolio turnover, and ratios—in the Financial Highlights.

## NOTE 2—Bank Lines of Credit:

The fund participates with other long-term open-end funds managed by the Adviser in a \$738 million unsecured credit facility led by Citibank, N.A. (the "Citibank Credit Facility") and a \$300 million unsecured credit facility provided by BNY (the "BNY Credit

Facility”), each to be utilized primarily for temporary or emergency purposes, including the financing of redemptions (each, a “Facility”). The Citibank Credit Facility is available in two tranches: (i) Tranche A is in an amount equal to \$618 million and is available to all long-term open-ended funds, including the fund, and (ii) Tranche B is an amount equal to \$120 million and is available only to BNY Mellon Floating Rate Income Fund, a series of BNY Mellon Investment Funds IV, Inc. In connection therewith, the fund has agreed to pay its pro rata portion of commitment fees for Tranche A of the Citibank Credit Facility and the BNY Credit Facility. Interest is charged to the fund based on rates determined pursuant to the terms of the respective Facility at the time of borrowing.

During the period ended May 31, 2026, the fund was charged \$68,167 for interest expense. These fees are included in Interest expense in the Statement of Operations. The average amount of borrowings outstanding under the Citibank Credit Facility during the period ended May 31, 2026 was approximately \$2,938,462 with a related weighted average annualized interest rate of 4.65%. As of May 31, 2026, the fund has \$1,900,000 outstanding loan balance from Citibank Credit Facility and no outstanding loan balance from the BNY Credit Facility.

**NOTE 3—Management Fee, Sub-Advisory Fee and Other Transactions with Affiliates:**

(a) Pursuant to a management agreement with the Adviser, the management fee is computed at the annual rate of .85% of the value of the fund’s average daily net assets and is payable monthly.

Pursuant to a sub-investment advisory agreement between the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser, the Adviser pays the Sub-Adviser a monthly fee at an annual rate of .41% of the value of the fund’s average daily net assets.

During the period ended May 31, 2026, the Distributor retained \$1,102 from commissions earned on sales of the fund’s Class A shares and \$110 from CDSC fees on redemptions of the fund’s Class C shares.

(b) Under the distribution plan adopted pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the Act (the “Distribution Plan”), Class C shares pay the Distributor for distributing its shares at an annual rate of .75% of the value of its average daily net assets. The Distributor may pay one or more service agents in respect of advertising, marketing and other distribution services, and determines the amounts, if any, to be paid to service agents and the basis on which such payments are made. During the period ended May 31, 2026, Class C shares were charged \$15,611 pursuant to the Distribution Plan.

(c) Under the shareholder services plan (the “Shareholder Services Plan”), Class A and Class C shares pay the Distributor at an annual rate of .25% of the value of their average daily net assets for the provision of certain services. The services provided may include personal services relating to shareholder accounts, such as answering shareholder inquiries regarding the fund, and services related to the maintenance of shareholder accounts. The Distributor may make payments to service agents (securities dealers, financial institutions or other industry professionals) with respect to these services. The Distributor determines the amounts to be paid to service agents. During the period ended May 31, 2026, Class A and Class C shares were charged \$58,499 and \$5,204, respectively, pursuant to the Shareholder Services Plan.

The fund has an arrangement with BNY Mellon Transfer, Inc., (the “Transfer Agent”), a subsidiary of BNY and an affiliate of the Adviser, whereby the fund may receive earnings credits when positive cash balances are maintained, which are used to offset Transfer Agent fees. For financial reporting purposes, the fund includes transfer agent net earnings credits, if any, as an expense offset in the Statement of Operations.

The fund has an arrangement with The Bank of New York Mellon (the “Custodian”), a subsidiary of BNY and an affiliate of the Adviser, whereby the fund will receive interest income or be charged overdraft fees when cash balances are maintained. For financial reporting purposes, the fund includes this interest income and overdraft fees, if any, as interest income in the Statement of Operations.

The fund compensates the Transfer Agent, under a transfer agency agreement, for providing transfer agency and cash management services for the fund. The majority of Transfer Agent fees are comprised of amounts paid on a per account basis, while cash management fees are related to fund subscriptions and redemptions. During the period ended May 31, 2026, the fund was charged \$10,254 for transfer agency services. These fees are included in Shareholder servicing costs in the Statement of Operations.

The fund compensates the Custodian, under a custody agreement, for providing custodial services for the fund. These fees are determined based on net assets, geographic region and transaction activity. During the period ended May 31, 2026, the fund was charged \$145,191 pursuant to the custody agreement.

During the period ended May 31, 2026, the fund was charged \$19,990 for services performed by the fund’s Chief Compliance Officer and his staff. These fees are included in Chief Compliance Officer fees in the Statement of Operations.

The fund compensates the Custodian for providing shareholder reporting and regulatory services for the fund. These fees are included in shareholder and regulatory reports service fees in the Statement of Operations. During the period ended May 31, 2026, the Custodian was compensated \$10,000 for financial reporting and regulatory services.

The components of “Due to BNY Mellon Investment Adviser, Inc. and affiliates” in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities consist of: management fee of \$2,413,641, Distribution Plan fees of \$2,607, Shareholder Services Plan fees of \$10,790, Custodian fees of \$162,000, Chief Compliance Officer fees of \$4,062, Transfer Agent fees of \$5,625 and shareholder and regulatory reports service fees of \$11,667.

(d) Each board member of the fund also serves as a board member of other funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds complex. Annual retainer fees and attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets.

**NOTE 4—Securities Transactions:**

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term securities and in-kind transactions, during the period ended May 31, 2026, amounted to \$85,399,224 and \$1,551,058,161, respectively.

The aggregate amount of purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term securities and including in-kind redemptions, during the period ended May 31, 2026, amounted to \$85,399,224 and \$1,595,340,815, respectively.

At May 31, 2026, accumulated net unrealized appreciation on investments was \$1,257,963,686, consisting of \$1,395,725,838 gross unrealized appreciation and \$137,762,152 gross unrealized depreciation.

At May 31, 2026, the cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was substantially the same as the cost for financial reporting purposes (see the Schedule of Investments).

Item 8. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants for Open-End Management Investment Companies (Unaudited)

N/A

Item 9. Proxy Disclosures for Open-End Management Investment Companies (Unaudited)

N/A

## Item 10. Remuneration Paid to Directors, Officers, and Others of Open-End Management Investment Companies (Unaudited)

Each board member also serves as a board member of other funds in the BNY Mellon Family of Funds complex, and annual retainer fees and meeting attendance fees are allocated to each fund based on net assets. The fund is charged for services performed by the fund's Chief Compliance Officer. Compensation paid by the fund during the period to the board members and the Chief Compliance Officer are within Item 7. Statement of Operations as Directors' fees and expenses and Chief Compliance Officer fees, respectively. The aggregate amount of Directors' fees and expenses and Chief Compliance Officer fees paid by the fund during the period was \$287,103.

Item 11. Statement Regarding Basis for Approval of Investment Advisory Contracts (Unaudited)

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