



## **FPA Queens Road Value Fund**

**ANNUAL FINANCIALS AND OTHER INFORMATION  
MAY 31, 2026**

**FPA Queens Road Value Fund**  
*A series of Investment Managers Series Trust III*

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*This report and the financial statements contained herein are provided for the general information of the shareholders of the FPA Queens Road Value Fund (the "Fund"). This report is not authorized for distribution to prospective investors in the Fund unless preceded or accompanied by an effective shareholder report and prospectus.*

**FPA Queens Road Value Fund**  
**SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS**  
**As of May 31, 2026**

| Number<br>of Shares                             |                                           | Value            |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>COMMON STOCKS — 91.4%</b>                    |                                           |                  |
| <b>AEROSPACE &amp; DEFENSE — 7.0%</b>           |                                           |                  |
| 8,000                                           | General Dynamics Corp.                    | \$ 2,774,560     |
| 6,600                                           | RTX Corp.                                 | 1,185,756        |
|                                                 |                                           | <b>3,960,316</b> |
| <b>ASSET MANAGEMENT — 6.2%</b>                  |                                           |                  |
| 6,000                                           | Ameriprise Financial, Inc.                | 2,674,260        |
| 7,900                                           | T. Rowe Price Group, Inc.                 | 825,787          |
|                                                 |                                           | <b>3,500,047</b> |
| <b>BANKING — 4.8%</b>                           |                                           |                  |
| 9,000                                           | JPMorgan Chase & Co.                      | <b>2,693,790</b> |
| <b>BIOTECH &amp; PHARMA — 6.4%</b>              |                                           |                  |
| 13,820                                          | Merck & Co., Inc.                         | 1,640,711        |
| 76,000                                          | Pfizer, Inc.                              | 1,989,680        |
|                                                 |                                           | <b>3,630,391</b> |
| <b>DIVERSIFIED INDUSTRIALS — 1.0%</b>           |                                           |                  |
| 3,600                                           | 3M Co.                                    | <b>551,268</b>   |
| <b>ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT — 15.2%</b>             |                                           |                  |
| 3,400                                           | Allegion PLC                              | 442,238          |
| 10,000                                          | Eaton Corp. PLC                           | 4,006,000        |
| 9,200                                           | Trane Technologies PLC                    | 4,151,960        |
|                                                 |                                           | <b>8,600,198</b> |
| <b>ENTERTAINMENT CONTENT — 0.9%</b>             |                                           |                  |
| 5,151                                           | Walt Disney Co.                           | <b>524,526</b>   |
| <b>FOOD — 4.4%</b>                              |                                           |                  |
| 10,000                                          | Hershey Co.                               | 1,940,300        |
| 9,000                                           | Mondelez International, Inc. - Class A    | 550,530          |
|                                                 |                                           | <b>2,490,830</b> |
| <b>HEALTH CARE FACILITIES &amp; SVCS — 6.3%</b> |                                           |                  |
| 30,000                                          | Centene Corp.*                            | 1,788,000        |
| 4,500                                           | Elevance Health, Inc.                     | 1,769,355        |
|                                                 |                                           | <b>3,557,355</b> |
| <b>INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL SVCS — 3.6%</b>      |                                           |                  |
| 14,500                                          | BlackRock New York Municipal Income Trust | <b>2,021,735</b> |
| <b>INSURANCE — 5.6%</b>                         |                                           |                  |
| 3                                               | Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. - Class A*       | 2,132,700        |
| 10,000                                          | Prudential Financial, Inc.                | 1,006,400        |
|                                                 |                                           | <b>3,139,100</b> |
| <b>LEISURE FACILITIES &amp; SERVICES — 2.1%</b> |                                           |                  |
| 4,225                                           | McDonald's Corp.                          | <b>1,179,620</b> |
| <b>MACHINERY — 1.1%</b>                         |                                           |                  |
| 9,000                                           | Ingersoll Rand, Inc.                      | <b>644,760</b>   |

**FPA Queens Road Value Fund**  
**SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS - Continued**  
**As of May 31, 2026**

| Number<br>of Shares |                                                                                                          | Value                       |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                     | <b>COMMON STOCKS (Continued)</b>                                                                         |                             |
|                     | <b>MEDICAL EQUIPMENT &amp; DEVICES — 2.2%</b>                                                            |                             |
| 6,300               | Danaher Corp.                                                                                            | \$ 1,150,821                |
| 900                 | Solventum Corp.*                                                                                         | 67,455                      |
|                     |                                                                                                          | <u>1,218,276</u>            |
|                     | <b>SEMICONDUCTORS — 5.3%</b>                                                                             |                             |
| 26,000              | Intel Corp.*                                                                                             | <u>2,981,680</u>            |
|                     | <b>SOFTWARE — 7.3%</b>                                                                                   |                             |
| 18,395              | Oracle Corp.                                                                                             | <u>4,153,223</u>            |
|                     | <b>SPECIALTY FINANCE — 6.2%</b>                                                                          |                             |
| 11,000              | American Express Co.                                                                                     | <u>3,481,170</u>            |
|                     | <b>TECHNOLOGY HARDWARE — 4.4%</b>                                                                        |                             |
| 20,700              | Cisco Systems, Inc.                                                                                      | <u>2,492,694</u>            |
|                     | <b>TRANSPORTATION &amp; LOGISTICS — 1.4%</b>                                                             |                             |
| 3,000               | Union Pacific Corp.                                                                                      | <u>787,920</u>              |
|                     | <b>TOTAL COMMON STOCKS</b>                                                                               |                             |
|                     | (Cost \$14,724,589)                                                                                      | <u>51,608,899</u>           |
|                     | <b>SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS — 8.5%</b>                                                                     |                             |
|                     | <b>MONEY MARKET INVESTMENTS — 8.5%</b>                                                                   |                             |
| 4,828,171           | Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Treasury Portfolio - Institutional Class,<br>3.44% <sup>(a)</sup> | <u>4,828,171</u>            |
|                     | <b>TOTAL SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS</b>                                                                      |                             |
|                     | (Cost \$4,828,171)                                                                                       | <u>4,828,171</u>            |
|                     | <b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS — 99.9%</b>                                                                         |                             |
|                     | (Cost \$19,552,760)                                                                                      | <u>56,437,070</u>           |
|                     | Other Assets in Excess of Liabilities — 0.1%                                                             | <u>32,201</u>               |
|                     | <b>TOTAL NET ASSETS — 100.0%</b>                                                                         | <u><u>\$ 56,469,271</u></u> |

PLC – Public Limited Company

\*Non-income producing security.

<sup>(a)</sup>The rate is the annualized seven-day yield at period end.

**FPA Queens Road Value Fund**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**As of May 31, 2026**

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**Assets:**

|                                           |    |                   |
|-------------------------------------------|----|-------------------|
| Investments, at value (cost \$19,552,760) | \$ | 56,437,070        |
| Cash                                      |    | 11,000            |
| Receivables:                              |    |                   |
| Dividends and interest                    |    | 87,550            |
| Prepaid expenses                          |    | 28,817            |
| Total assets                              |    | <u>56,564,437</u> |

**Liabilities:**

|                                          |  |               |
|------------------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Payables:                                |  |               |
| Fund shares redeemed                     |  | 7,563         |
| Advisory fees                            |  | 12,312        |
| Shareholder servicing fees (Note 7)      |  | 4,062         |
| Fund services fees                       |  | 23,860        |
| Auditing fees                            |  | 15,191        |
| Legal fees                               |  | 12,256        |
| Trustees' deferred compensation (Note 3) |  | 7,424         |
| Shareholder reporting fees               |  | 3,839         |
| Chief Compliance Officer fees            |  | 1,641         |
| Trustees' fees and expenses              |  | 1,229         |
| Accrued other expenses                   |  | 5,789         |
| Total liabilities                        |  | <u>95,166</u> |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 3)   |  |               |

|                   |           |                          |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| <b>Net Assets</b> | <b>\$</b> | <b><u>56,469,271</u></b> |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------|

**Components of Net Assets:**

|                                                                            |    |                   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|-------------------|
| Capital Stock (no par value with an unlimited number of shares authorized) | \$ | 19,800,675        |
| Total distributable earnings (accumulated deficit)                         |    | <u>36,668,596</u> |

|                   |           |                          |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| <b>Net Assets</b> | <b>\$</b> | <b><u>56,469,271</u></b> |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------|

**Maximum Offering Price per Share:**

|                                         |    |                  |
|-----------------------------------------|----|------------------|
| Number of shares issued and outstanding |    | <u>1,606,247</u> |
| Net asset value per share               | \$ | <u>35.16</u>     |

*See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.*

**FPA Queens Road Value Fund**  
**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**  
**For the Year Ended May 31, 2026**

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**Investment income:**

|                         |    |                  |
|-------------------------|----|------------------|
| Dividends               | \$ | 836,511          |
| Interest                |    | <u>173,776</u>   |
| Total investment income |    | <u>1,010,287</u> |

**Expenses:**

|                                     |  |                  |
|-------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| Advisory fees                       |  | 500,505          |
| Shareholder servicing fees (Note 7) |  | 45,540           |
| Fund services fees                  |  | 67,850           |
| Trustees' fees and expenses         |  | 34,000           |
| Legal fees                          |  | 20,037           |
| Auditing fees                       |  | 16,829           |
| Registration fees                   |  | 15,631           |
| Insurance fees                      |  | 13,011           |
| Chief Compliance Officer fees       |  | 8,837            |
| Miscellaneous                       |  | 8,099            |
| Shareholder reporting fees          |  | <u>4,226</u>     |
| Total expenses                      |  | <u>734,565</u>   |
| Advisory fees waived                |  | <u>(363,951)</u> |
| Net expenses                        |  | <u>370,614</u>   |
| <b>Net investment income (loss)</b> |  | <u>639,673</u>   |

**Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss):**

|                                                          |  |                  |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| Net realized gain (loss) on:                             |  |                  |
| Investments                                              |  | <u>274,524</u>   |
| Total realized gain (loss)                               |  | <u>274,524</u>   |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on: |  |                  |
| Investments                                              |  | <u>7,060,852</u> |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)     |  | <u>7,060,852</u> |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)                  |  | <u>7,335,376</u> |

|                                                              |           |                         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| <b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from Operations</b> | <b>\$</b> | <b><u>7,975,049</u></b> |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|

*See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.*

**FPA Queens Road Value Fund**  
**STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

|                                                                        | For the<br>Year Ended<br>May 31, 2026 | For the<br>Year Ended<br>May 31, 2025 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from:</b>                         |                                       |                                       |
| <b>Operations:</b>                                                     |                                       |                                       |
| Net investment income (loss)                                           | \$ 639,673                            | \$ 653,623                            |
| Total realized gain (loss) on investments                              | 274,524                               | -                                     |
| Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments    | 7,060,852                             | 1,550,465                             |
| <b>Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations</b> | <u>7,975,049</u>                      | <u>2,204,088</u>                      |
| <b>Distributions to Shareholders:</b>                                  |                                       |                                       |
| Distributions                                                          | (1,399,923)                           | (1,843,837)                           |
| <b>Total distributions to shareholders</b>                             | <u>(1,399,923)</u>                    | <u>(1,843,837)</u>                    |
| <b>Capital Transactions:</b>                                           |                                       |                                       |
| Net proceeds from shares sold                                          | 9,016,784                             | 13,662,215                            |
| Reinvestment of distributions                                          | 1,394,593                             | 1,837,884                             |
| Cost of shares redeemed                                                | (10,812,315)                          | (13,032,860)                          |
| <b>Net increase (decrease) in net assets from capital transactions</b> | <u>(400,938)</u>                      | <u>2,467,239</u>                      |
| <b>Total increase (decrease) in net assets</b>                         | <u>6,174,188</u>                      | <u>2,827,490</u>                      |
| <b>Net Assets:</b>                                                     |                                       |                                       |
| Beginning of period                                                    | 50,295,083                            | 47,467,593                            |
| End of period                                                          | <u>\$ 56,469,271</u>                  | <u>\$ 50,295,083</u>                  |
| <b>Capital Share Transactions:</b>                                     |                                       |                                       |
| Shares sold                                                            | 273,808                               | 429,960                               |
| Shares reinvested                                                      | 43,486                                | 59,421                                |
| Shares redeemed                                                        | (329,229)                             | (416,773)                             |
| <b>Net increase (decrease) in capital share transactions</b>           | <u>(11,935)</u>                       | <u>72,608</u>                         |

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**FPA Queens Road Value Fund**  
**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

*Per share operating performance.*

*For a capital share outstanding throughout each period.*

|                                                              | For the<br>Year Ended<br>May 31, |                 |                 |                   |                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                                              | 2026                             | 2025            | 2024            | 2023 <sup>1</sup> | 2022 <sup>1</sup> |
| <b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b>                  | \$ 31.08                         | \$ 30.71        | \$ 23.86        | \$ 24.37          | \$ 29.21          |
| <b>Income from Investment Operations:</b>                    |                                  |                 |                 |                   |                   |
| Net investment income <sup>2</sup>                           | 0.40                             | 0.41            | 0.39            | 0.36              | 0.32              |
| Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)                      | 4.59                             | 1.10            | 7.26            | (0.20)            | (0.63)            |
| Total from investment operations                             | 4.99                             | 1.51            | 7.65            | 0.16              | (0.31)            |
| <b>Less Distributions:</b>                                   |                                  |                 |                 |                   |                   |
| From net investment income                                   | (0.42)                           | (0.40)          | (0.35)          | (0.36)            | (0.37)            |
| From net realized gains                                      | (0.49)                           | (0.74)          | (0.45)          | (0.31)            | (4.16)            |
| Total distributions                                          | (0.91)                           | (1.14)          | (0.80)          | (0.67)            | (4.53)            |
| <b>Net asset value, end of period</b>                        | <u>\$ 35.16</u>                  | <u>\$ 31.08</u> | <u>\$ 30.71</u> | <u>\$ 23.86</u>   | <u>\$ 24.37</u>   |
| <b>Total return<sup>3</sup></b>                              | 16.31%                           | 4.91%           | 32.53%          | 0.65%             | (2.19)%           |
| <b>Ratios and Supplemental Data:</b>                         |                                  |                 |                 |                   |                   |
| Net assets, end of period (in thousands)                     | \$ 56,469                        | \$ 50,295       | \$ 47,468       | \$ 31,729         | \$ 34,335         |
| Ratio of expenses to average net assets:                     |                                  |                 |                 |                   |                   |
| Before fees waived and expenses absorbed                     | 1.39%                            | 1.35%           | 1.61%           | 2.10%             | 1.95%             |
| After fees waived and expenses absorbed                      | 0.70% <sup>4</sup>               | 0.65%           | 0.65%           | 0.65%             | 0.65%             |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets: |                                  |                 |                 |                   |                   |
| Before fees waived and expenses absorbed                     | 0.52%                            | 0.60%           | 0.47%           | 0.04%             | (0.18)%           |
| After fees waived and expenses absorbed                      | 1.21%                            | 1.30%           | 1.43%           | 1.49%             | 1.12%             |
| Portfolio turnover rate                                      | 0%                               | 0%              | 9%              | 0%                | 4%                |

<sup>1</sup> Audits performed for the fiscal years indicated by the Fund's previous auditor, Ernst & Young LLP.

<sup>2</sup> Based on average shares outstanding for the period.

<sup>3</sup> Return is based on net asset value per share, adjusted for reinvestment of distributions, and does not reflect deduction of the sales charge.

<sup>4</sup> Effective October 1, 2025, the Adviser has contractually agreed to limit the annual fund operating expenses to 0.73%. Prior to October 1, 2025, the Adviser had contractually agreed to limit the annual fund operating expenses to 0.65%.

*See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.*

**FPA Queens Road Value Fund**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**May 31, 2026**

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**Note 1 – Organization**

FPA Queens Road Value Fund (the “Fund”) is a diversified series of Investment Managers Series Trust III (the “Trust”), which is registered as an open-end management investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”). The Fund’s primary investment objective is to seek long-term capital growth. First Pacific Advisors, LP (the “Adviser”) has served as the Fund’s investment adviser since November 1, 2020.

On July 28, 2023, the Fund acquired the assets and assumed the liabilities of FPA Queens Road Value Fund, a series of Bragg Capital Trust, (the “Predecessor Fund”) in a tax-free reorganization pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Reorganization (the “Plan of Reorganization”). The Plan of Reorganization was approved by the Trust’s Board and by the Predecessor Fund’s Board on May 8, 2023. The tax-free reorganization was accomplished on July 28, 2023. As a result of the reorganization, the Fund assumed the performance and accounting history of the Predecessor Fund. Financial information included for the dates prior to the reorganization is that of the Predecessor Fund.

The reorganization was accomplished by the following tax-free exchange in which each shareholder of the Fund received the same aggregate share net asset value as noted below:

| <u>Shares Issued</u> | <u>Net Assets</u> |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1,309,954            | \$34,362,082      |

The net unrealized appreciation of investments transferred was \$22,847,187 as of the date of the acquisition.

The Fund is an investment company and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standard Codification Topic 946 “Financial Services— Investment Companies”.

The Fund is deemed to be an individual reporting segment and is not part of a consolidated reporting entity. The objective and strategy of the Fund is used by the Adviser to make investment decisions, and the results of the operations, as shown on the Statements of Operations and the financial highlights for the Fund is the information utilized for the day-to-day management of the Fund. The Fund is party to the expense agreements as disclosed in the Notes to the Financial Statements and there are no resources allocated to a Fund based on performance measurements. The management of the Fund’s Adviser is deemed to be the Chief Operating Decision Maker with respect to the Fund’s investment decisions.

**Note 2 – Accounting Policies**

The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

**(a) Valuation of Investments**

The Fund values equity securities at the last reported sale price on the principal exchange or in the principal over the counter (“OTC”) market in which such securities are traded, as of the close of regular trading on the NYSE on the day the securities are being valued or, if the last-quoted sales price is not readily available, the securities will be valued at the last bid or the mean between the last available bid and ask price. Securities traded on the NASDAQ are valued at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price (“NOCP”). Investments in open-end investment companies are valued at the daily closing net asset value of the respective investment company. Debt securities are valued by utilizing a

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price supplied by independent pricing service providers. The independent pricing service providers may use various valuation methodologies including matrix pricing and other analytical pricing models as well as market transactions and dealer quotations. These models generally consider such factors as yields or prices of bonds of comparable quality, type of issue, coupon, maturity, ratings and general market conditions. If a price is not readily available for a portfolio security, the security will be valued at fair value (the amount which the Fund might reasonably expect to receive for the security upon its current sale). The Board of Trustees has designated the Adviser as the Fund's valuation designee (the "Valuation Designee") to make all fair value determinations with respect to the Fund's portfolio investments, subject to the Board's oversight. As the Valuation Designee, the Adviser has adopted and implemented policies and procedures to be followed when the Fund must utilize fair value pricing.

**(b) Investment Transactions, Investment Income and Expenses**

Investment transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on investments are determined on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recorded net of applicable withholding taxes on the ex-dividend date and interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Withholding taxes on foreign dividends, if applicable, are paid (a portion of which may be reclaimable) or provided for in accordance with the applicable country's tax rules and rates and are disclosed in the Statement of Operations. Withholding tax reclaims are filed in certain countries to recover a portion of the amounts previously withheld. The Fund records a reclaim receivable based on a number of factors, including a jurisdiction's legal obligation to pay reclaims as well as payment history and market convention. Discounts on debt securities are accreted or amortized to interest income over the lives of the respective securities using the effective interest method. Premiums for callable debt securities are amortized to the earliest call date, if the call price was less than the purchase price. If the call price was not at par and the security was not called, the security is amortized to the next call price and date. Expenses incurred by the Trust with respect to more than one fund are allocated in proportion to the net assets of each fund except where allocation of direct expenses to each fund or an alternative allocation method can be more appropriately made.

**(c) Federal Income Taxes**

The Fund intends to comply with the requirements of Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute substantially all of their net investment income and any net realized gains to their shareholders. Therefore, no provision is made for federal income or excise taxes. Due to the timing of dividend distributions and the differences in accounting for income and realized gains and losses for financial statement and federal income tax purposes, the fiscal year in which amounts are distributed may differ from the year in which the income and realized gains and losses are recorded by the Fund.

*Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes* (the "Income Tax Statement") requires an evaluation of tax positions taken (or expected to be taken) in the course of preparing a Fund's tax returns to determine whether these positions meet a "more-likely-than-not" standard that, based on the technical merits, have a more than fifty percent likelihood of being sustained by a taxing authority upon examination. A tax position that meets the "more-likely-than-not" recognition threshold is measured to determine the amount of benefit to recognize in the financial statements. The Fund recognizes interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits as income tax expense in the Statement of Operations.

The Income Tax Statement requires management of the Fund to analyze tax positions taken in the prior three open tax years, if any, and tax positions expected to be taken in the Fund's current tax year, as defined by the IRS statute of limitations for all major jurisdictions, including federal tax authorities and certain state tax authorities. As of May 31, 2026, and during the prior three open tax years, the Fund did not have a liability for any unrecognized tax benefits. The Fund has no examinations in progress and is not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly change in the next twelve months.

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**(d) Distributions to Shareholders**

The Fund will make distributions of net investment income and net capital gains, if any, at least annually. Distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The amount and timing of distributions are determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations, which may differ from GAAP.

The character of distributions made during the year from net investment income or net realized gains may differ from the characterization for federal income tax purposes due to differences in the recognition of income, expense and gain (loss) items for financial statement and tax purposes.

**(e) Illiquid Securities**

Pursuant to Rule 22e-4 under the 1940 Act, the Fund has adopted a Liquidity Risk Management Program ("LRMP") that requires, among other things, that the Fund limits its illiquid investments that are assets to no more than 15% of net assets. An illiquid investment is any security which may not reasonably be expected to be sold or disposed of in current market conditions in seven calendar days or less without the sale or disposition significantly changing the market value of the investment. If the Adviser, at any time determines that the value of illiquid securities held by the Fund exceeds 15% of its net asset value, the Adviser will take such steps as it considers appropriate to reduce them as soon as reasonably practicable in accordance with the Fund's written LRMP.

**(f) Use of Estimates**

The presentation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Note 3 – Investment Advisory and Other Agreements**

The Trust, on behalf of the Fund, entered into an Investment Advisory Agreement (the "Agreement") with the Adviser. Under the terms of the Agreement, the Fund pays a monthly investment advisory fee to the Adviser at the annual rate of 0.95% of the Fund's average daily net assets. The Adviser engages Bragg Financial Advisors, Inc. (the "Sub-Adviser") to manage the Fund and pays the Sub-Adviser from its advisory fees.

The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive its fees and/or pay for operating expenses of the Fund to ensure that total annual fund operating expenses (excluding any interest, taxes, brokerage fees and commissions payable by the Fund in connection with the purchase or sale of portfolio securities, fees and expenses of other funds in which the Fund invests, and extraordinary expenses, including litigation expenses not incurred in the Fund's ordinary course of business) do not exceed 0.73% of the Fund's average daily net assets. Prior to October 1, 2025, the limit of the annual operating expenses was 0.65%. This agreement is in effect until September 30, 2026, and it may be terminated before that date only by the Trust's Board of Trustees. For the year ended May 31, 2026, the Adviser waived a portion of its advisory fees totaling \$363,951.

These expense reimbursements are subject to possible recoupment by the Adviser from the Fund in future years (within the three years from the date when the amount is waived or reimbursed) if such recoupment can be achieved within the lesser of the foregoing expense limits or the then-current expense limits. Similarly, the Adviser is permitted to seek reimbursement from the Fund, subject to certain limitations, of fees waived or payments made by the Adviser to the Predecessor Fund prior to the Predecessor Fund's reorganization on July 28, 2023 for a period ending three years after the date of the waiver or payment. This agreement may be terminated only by the Fund's Board of Trustees (the "Board"), upon written notice to the adviser. The potential recoverable amount is noted as "Commitments and contingencies" as reported on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. As of May 31, 2026, the

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Adviser may seek recoupment for previously waived or reimbursed expenses, subject to the limitations noted above, no later than the dates as outlined below:

|              |    |                  |
|--------------|----|------------------|
| May 31, 2027 | \$ | 354,046          |
| May 31, 2028 |    | 352,543          |
| May 31, 2029 |    | 363,951          |
| Total        | \$ | <u>1,070,540</u> |

UMB Fund Services, Inc. (“UMBFS”) serves as the Fund’s fund accountant, transfer agent and co-administrator; and Mutual Fund Administration, LLC (“MFAC”) serves as the Fund’s other co-administrator. UMB Bank, n.a., an affiliate of UMBFS, serves as the Fund’s custodian. The Fund’s allocated fees incurred for fund accounting, fund administration, transfer agency and custody services for the year ended May 31, 2026 are reported as Fund services fees on the Statement of Operations.

Distribution Services, LLC, serves as the Fund’s distributor (the “Distributor”). The Distributor does not receive compensation from the Fund for its distribution services; The Adviser pays the Distributor a fee for its distribution-related services.

Certain trustees and officers of the Trust are employees of UMBFS, MFAC or Adviser. The Fund does not compensate trustees and officers affiliated with the Fund’s Adviser or co-administrators. For the year ended May 31, 2026, the Fund’s allocated fees incurred to Trustees of the Trust who are not “interested persons” of the Trust, as that term is defined in the 1940 Act (collectively, the “Independent Trustees”) are reported on the Statement of Operations.

The Fund’s Board of Trustees has adopted a Deferred Compensation Plan (the “Plan”) for the Independent Trustees that enables Trustees to elect to receive payment in cash or the option to defer some or all of their fees. If a trustee elects to defer payment, the Plan provides for the creation of a deferred payment account. A Trustee’s deferred fees are deemed to be invested in designated mutual funds available under the Plan. The Fund’s liability for these amounts is adjusted for market value changes in the invested fund and remains a liability to the Fund until distributed in accordance with the Plan. The Trustees Deferred compensation liability under the Plan constitutes a general unsecured obligation of the Fund and is disclosed in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Contributions made under the plan and the change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation and income are included in the Trustees’ fees and expenses in the Statement of Operations.

Dziura Compliance Consulting, LLC provides Chief Compliance Officer (“CCO”) services to the Trust. The Fund’s allocated fees incurred for CCO services for the year ended May 31, 2026 are reported on the Statement of Operations.

**Note 4 – Redemption Liquidity Service Fees**

The Fund may participate in “Liquidity Programs” or “Programs” offered by independent third-party service providers, which are designed to provide an alternative liquidity source when conducting normal business activities.

Under the programs, cash is provided to the Fund to meet net shareowner redemptions, manage and optimize portfolio composition, offset transaction costs, and/or more efficiently manage the portfolio. Following purchases of Fund shares, the programs then generally redeem those shares when the Fund experiences net sales, at the end of a maximum holding period ranging from 2 to 8 days or at other times at the discretion of the program or the Adviser.

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During the period that a third party holds the Fund's shares through a Program, the third party will have the same rights and privileges with respect to those shares as any other shareholder. A third party that invests in the Fund through a Program does so on an investment-blind basis without regard to the Fund's objective, policies, or anticipated performance. The third party purchases shares of the Fund at net asset value and is not subject to the Fund's investment minimums or the limitations noted under "Excessive Trading and Market Timing" section contained in the Prospectus.

For use of certain services, the Fund pays a fee calculated by applying a fee rate to the purchase amount determined through an automated daily auction. The current minimum fee rate is 0.14% of the value of the Fund shares purchased, although the Fund may submit a bid at a higher fee rate if it determines that doing so is in the best interest of Fund shareowners. In accordance with federal securities laws, certain providers are prohibited from acquiring more than 3% of the outstanding voting securities of a Fund, while others are prohibited from acquiring more than 5%. The providers will periodically redeem their entire share position in the Fund and request that such redemption be met in kind in accordance with the Fund's in-kind redemption policies. There is no assurance that these programs will have sufficient funds available to meet the Fund's liquidity needs on a particular day. During the year ended May 31, 2026, the fees associated with these programs are disclosed in the Statement of Operations within redemption liquidity service fees.

**Note 5 – Federal Income Taxes**

At May 31, 2026, gross unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) of investments, based on cost for federal income tax purposes were as follows:

|                                            |                      |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Cost of investments                        | <u>\$ 19,560,994</u> |
| Gross unrealized appreciation              | 37,505,369           |
| Gross unrealized depreciation              | <u>(629,293)</u>     |
| Net unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) | <u>\$ 36,876,076</u> |

The difference between cost amounts for financial statement and federal income tax purposes is due primarily to timing differences in recognizing certain gains and losses in security transactions.

As of May 31, 2026, the components of accumulated earnings/(deficit) on a tax basis were as follows:

|                                                       |                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Undistributed ordinary income                         | \$ 281,723           |
| Undistributed long-term capital gains                 | <u>82,520</u>        |
| Tax accumulated earnings                              | <u>364,243</u>       |
| Accumulated capital and other losses                  | (564,299)            |
| Unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) on investments | 36,876,076           |
| Unrealized deferred compensation                      | <u>(7,424)</u>       |
| Total accumulated earnings/(deficit)                  | <u>\$ 36,668,596</u> |

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The tax character of distributions paid during the fiscal years ended May 31, 2026 and May 31, 2025, were as follows:

|                             | 2026                | 2025                |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Distributions paid from:    |                     |                     |
| Ordinary income             | \$ 643,619          | \$ 643,806          |
| Net long-term capital gains | 756,303             | 1,200,031           |
| Total distributions paid    | <u>\$ 1,399,922</u> | <u>\$ 1,843,837</u> |

U.S. GAAP requires that certain components of net assets be reclassified between financial and tax reporting. These reclassifications have no effect on net assets or net asset value per share. For the year ended May 31, 2026, no permanent difference in book and tax accounting has been reclassified to paid-in capital and total distributable earnings/(losses).

| Increase (Decrease) |     |                                     |   |
|---------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|---|
| Paid-In Capital     |     | Total Distributable Earnings (Loss) |   |
| \$                  | (1) | \$                                  | 1 |

**Note 6 – Investment Transactions**

For the year ended May 31, 2026, purchases and sales of investments, excluding short-term investments, were \$0 and \$1,661,283, respectively.

**Note 7 – Shareholder Servicing Plan**

Pursuant to the Shareholder Service Plan adopted by the Board, on behalf of the Fund, the Fund may pay a fee at an annual rate of up to 0.25% of its average daily net assets attributable to shares of the Fund. The Fund does not pay these service fees on shares purchased directly. In addition, the Adviser may, at its own expense, pay financial representatives and/or shareholder servicing agents for these services. For the year ended May 31, 2026, the Fund's shareholder servicing fees incurred are disclosed on the Statement of Operations.

**Note 8 – Indemnifications**

In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of representations which provide general indemnifications. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. However, the Fund expects the risk of loss to be remote.

**Note 9 – Fair Value Measurements and Disclosure**

*Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in accordance with GAAP, and expands disclosure about fair value measurements. It also provides guidance on determining when there has been a significant decrease in the volume and level of activity for an asset or a liability, when a transaction is not orderly, and how that information must be incorporated into a fair value measurement.

Under *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, various inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's investments. These inputs are summarized into three broad Levels as described below:

- Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access.

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- Level 2 – Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These inputs may include quoted prices for the identical instrument on an inactive market, prices for similar instruments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, default rates and similar data.
- Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, to the extent relevant observable inputs are not available, representing the Fund's own assumptions about the assumptions a market participant would use in valuing the asset or liability, and would be based on the best information available.

The availability of observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors, including, for example, the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, the liquidity of markets, and other characteristics particular to the security. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3.

The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different Levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the Level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement falls in its entirety, is determined based on the lowest Level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. The following is a summary of the inputs used, as of May 31, 2026, in valuing the Fund's assets carried at fair value:

|                        | Level 1       | Level 2** | Level 3** | Total         |
|------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|
| Common Stocks*         | \$ 51,608,899 | \$ -      | \$ -      | \$ 51,608,899 |
| Short-Term Investments | 4,828,171     | -         | -         | 4,828,171     |
| Total                  | \$ 56,437,070 | \$ -      | \$ -      | \$ 56,437,070 |

\*All sub-categories within Common Stocks represent Level 1 investments. See Schedule of Investments for industry categories.

\*\*The Fund did not hold any Level 2 or Level 3 securities at period end.

Transfers of investments between different levels of the fair value hierarchy are recorded at fair value as of the end of the reporting period. There were no significant transfers into or out of Level 3 during the year ended May 31, 2026.

The Fund did not hold derivatives as of May 31, 2026.

**Note 10 – Market Disruption and Geopolitical Risks**

Certain local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illnesses and/or other public health issues, financial institution instability or other events may have a significant impact on a security or instrument. These types of events and other like them are collectively referred to as "Market Disruptions and Geopolitical Risks" and they may have adverse impacts on the worldwide economy, as well as the economies of individual countries, the financial health of individual companies and the market in general in significant and unforeseen ways. Some of the impacts noted in recent times include but are not limited to embargos, political actions, supply chain disruptions, tariffs, bank failures, restrictions to investment and/or monetary movement

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including the forced selling of securities or the inability to participate impacted markets. The duration of these events could adversely affect the Fund's performance, the performance of the securities in which the Fund invests and may lead to losses on your investment. The ultimate impact of "Market Disruptions and Geopolitical Risks" on the financial performance of the Fund's investments is not reasonably estimable at this time. Management is actively monitoring these events.

**Note 11 – New Accounting Pronouncements**

In the reporting period, the Fund adopted FASB Accounting Standards Update 2023-09, Income Taxes (Topic 740) — Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures (ASU 2023-09), which enhances income tax disclosures, including disclosure income taxes paid disaggregated by jurisdiction. Adoption of the new standard did not materially impact financial statement disclosures and did not affect the Fund's financial position or the results of its operations.

**Note 12 – Reorganization Information**

On October 14, 2025, based on the recommendation of the Fund's Adviser and Sub-Adviser, the Board of Trustees of the Trust has approved the reorganization of the Fund into an exchange-traded fund (the "Reorganization"). The Reorganization of the Fund is subject to approval by its shareholders and will occur pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Reorganization whereby the Fund will transfer all of its assets and liabilities to the FPA Queens Road Value ETF (the "ETF"), a newly created series of the Trust. If approved, each shareholder of the Fund will receive shares of the ETF and/or cash equal to the value of the shares of the Fund owned by the shareholder.

There will be no change in the Fund's investment objective, principal investment strategies or portfolio management in connection with the Reorganization. Further, there will be no change to the Adviser or the Sub-Adviser serving as the investment adviser and sub-adviser, respectively, to the ETF following the Reorganization. The Reorganization is not generally expected to result in the recognition of gain or loss by the Fund or its shareholders for U.S. federal income tax purposes (except with respect to cash received by shareholders in lieu of fractional shares, if any, or with respect to redemptions of shares held through an account that is not permitted to hold the ETF shares as discussed below). The costs of the Reorganization will be borne by the Adviser and Sub-Adviser.

At the meeting held on April 6, 2026, shareholders of the Fund approved the Reorganization, and the results of the shareholder meeting are disclosed on Supplemental Information page. The Reorganization is expected to take effect in the fourth quarter of 2026.

**Note 13 – Events Subsequent to the Fiscal Period End**

The Fund has adopted financial reporting rules regarding subsequent events which require an entity to recognize in the financial statements the effects of all subsequent events that provide additional evidence about conditions that existed at the date of the balance sheet. Management has evaluated the Fund's related events and transactions that occurred through the date of issuance of the Fund's financial statements.

There were no events or transactions that occurred during this period that materially impacted the amounts or disclosures in the Fund's financial statements.

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Trustees of  
Investment Managers Series Trust III  
and the Shareholders of the FPA Queens Road Value Fund

### Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of the FPA Queens Road Value Fund (the "Fund"), a series of Investment Managers Series Trust III, including the schedule of investments, as of May 31, 2026, the related statement of operations for the year then ended, the statement of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, and financial highlights for each of the three years in the period then ended, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as of May 31, 2026, the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the three years in the period then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The financial highlights for each of the two years in the period ended May 31, 2023, were audited by other auditors, whose report dated July 26, 2023 expressed unqualified opinions on those financial highlights.

### Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund's financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Fund in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB. We have served as the auditor of the Fund since 2023.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Fund is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audit, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of May 31, 2026 by correspondence with the custodian. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.



TAIT, WELLER & BAKER LLP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
July 30, 2026

## FPA Queens Road Value Fund

### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (Unaudited)

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#### ***Corporate Dividends Received Deduction***

For the year ended May 31, 2026, the Fund had 100% of dividends paid from net investment income qualified for the 70% dividends received deduction available to corporate shareholders.

#### ***Qualified Dividend Income***

For the year ended May 31, 2026, the Fund had 100% of dividends paid from net investment income, designated as qualified dividend income.

#### ***Long-Term Capital Gains Designation***

Pursuant to IRC 852 (b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code the Fund designates \$756,303 as long-term capital gains distributed during the year ended May 31, 2026. Certain dividends paid by the Fund may be subject to a maximum tax rate of 23.8%.

#### ***Shareholder Meeting Results***

The shareholders of the Fund approved the reorganization of the FPA Queens Road Value Fund (the “Fund”) into an exchange-traded fund (the “Reorganization”). The Reorganization of the Fund will occur pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Reorganization whereby the Fund will transfer all of its assets and liabilities to the FPA Queens Road Value ETF (the “ETF”), a newly organized exchange-traded fund (“ETF”) series of the Trust.

At the meeting held on April 6, 2026, shareholders of the Fund approved the Reorganization and the results of the shareholder meeting are as follows:

|                  | <b>Shares Voted</b> | <b>% of Voted</b> | <b>% of Total</b> |
|------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| For              | 816,762             | 99.27%            | 50.06%            |
| Against          | 4,179               | 0.51%             | 0.26%             |
| Abstain/Withheld | 1,797               | 0.22%             | 0.11%             |
| Total            | 822,738             | 100.000%          | 50.43%            |

The Reorganization is expected to take effect in the fourth quarter of 2026.

## **FPA Queens Road Value Fund Form N-CSR Items 8 - 11 (Unaudited)**

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### **Item 8. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants for Open-End Management Investment Companies.**

Not applicable.

### **Item 9. Proxy Disclosures for Open-End Management Investment Companies.**

Proxy Disclosures for Open-End Management Investment Companies are included in Item 7, as part of the financial statements.

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

This information is included in Item 7, as part of the financial statements.

### **Item 11. Statement Regarding Basis for Approval of Investment Advisory Contract.**

#### ***Board Consideration of Investment Advisory Contract and Sub-Advisory Agreements***

At an in-person meeting held on April 21, 2026, the Board of Trustees (the “*Board*”) of Investment Managers Series Trust III (the “*Trust*”), including the trustees who are not “interested persons” of the Trust (the “*Independent Trustees*”) as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “*1940 Act*”), reviewed and unanimously approved the renewal of the investment advisory agreement (the “*Advisory Agreement*”) between the Trust and First Pacific Advisors, LP (the “*Advisor*”), and the sub-advisory agreement (the “*Sub-Advisory Agreement*”) among the Trust, the Advisor, and Bragg Financial Advisors, Inc. (the “*Sub-Advisor*”), with respect to the FPA Queens Road Value Fund series of the Trust (the “*Fund*”) for additional one-year terms from when they otherwise would expire. The Advisory Agreement and the Sub-Advisory Agreement are referred to below as the “*Fund Advisory Agreements*.” In approving the renewal of each Fund Advisory Agreement, the Board, including the Independent Trustees, determined that such renewal was in the best interests of the Fund and its shareholders.

#### ***Background***

In advance of the meeting, the Board received information about the Fund and the Fund Advisory Agreements from the Advisor, the Sub-Advisor, and Mutual Fund Administration, LLC and UMB Fund Services, Inc., the Trust’s co-administrators, certain portions of which are discussed below. The materials, among other things, included information about the organization and financial condition of the Advisor and the Sub-Advisor; information regarding the background, experience, and compensation structure of relevant personnel providing services to the Fund; information about the Advisor’s and the Sub-Advisor’s compliance policies and procedures, cybersecurity, disaster recovery and contingency planning, and policies with respect to portfolio execution and trading; information regarding the profitability of the Advisor’s overall relationship with the Fund; reports comparing the performance of the Fund with returns of the S&P 500 Index, the S&P 500 Value Index, and a group of comparable funds (the “*Peer Group*”) selected by Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. (“*Broadridge*”) from Morningstar, Inc.’s Large Value category (the “*Fund Universe*”) for the one-, three-, five-, and ten-year periods ended December 31, 2025; reports comparing the investment advisory fee and total expenses of the Fund with those of the Peer Group and Fund Universe; and the advisory and sub-advisory fees paid pursuant to the Advisory Agreement and Sub-Advisory Agreement, respectively. The Board also received a memorandum from legal counsel to the Trust and the Independent Trustees discussing the legal standards under the 1940 Act and other applicable law for their consideration of the proposed renewal of the Fund Advisory Agreements. No representatives of the Advisor or Sub-Advisor were present during the Board’s consideration of the Fund Advisory Agreements, and the Independent Trustees were represented by their legal counsel with respect to the matters considered.

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### **Board Consideration of Investment Advisory Contract and Sub-Advisory Contract (Unaudited) – Continued**

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In renewing the Fund Advisory Agreements, the Independent Trustees met separately in an executive session to consider the Fund Advisory Agreements, including the items discussed below. The Board, including all of the Independent Trustees, then met and also considered a variety of factors for renewal of the Fund Advisory Agreements, including those discussed below. In their deliberations, the Board and the Independent Trustees did not identify any particular factor that was controlling, and each Trustee may have attributed different weights to the various factors.

#### ***First Pacific Advisors, LP***

##### Nature, Extent, and Quality of Services

With respect to the performance results of the Fund, the meeting materials indicated that the Fund's annualized total return for the ten-year period was above the Peer Group and Fund Universe median returns, but below the S&P 500 Value Index return and the S&P 500 Index return by 0.34% and 3.43%, respectively. The Fund's annualized total return for the five-year period was below the Peer Group and Fund Universe median returns, the S&P 500 Value Index return, and the S&P 500 Index return by 0.19%, 0.80%, 1.70%, and 3.16%, respectively. For the three-year period, the Fund's annualized total return was below the Fund Universe and Peer Group median returns, the S&P 500 Value Index return, and the S&P 500 Index return by 0.20%, 1.80%, 2.28%, and 9.47%, respectively. The Fund's total return for the one-year period was below the S&P 500 Value Index return by 7.14%, the Fund Universe median return by 9.66%, the Peer Group median return by 9.98%, and the S&P 500 Index return by 11.83%. The Trustees considered the Advisor's assertion that the S&P 500 Index is not an appropriate benchmark for purposes of comparing the Fund's performance, and that the S&P 500 Index is included as the Fund's broad-based securities market index to comply with regulatory requirements. The Trustees observed that the Fund's performance ranked it in the top quartile of the funds in the Peer Group for the ten-year period. The Trustees also observed that the Fund's volatility of returns, as measured by its standard deviation; its risk-adjusted returns, as measured by its Sharpe ratio; and its downside volatility, as measured by its Morningstar risk score, ranked it in the first or second quartile of the funds (which are the most favorable) in the Peer Group and Fund Universe for the ten-year period.

The Board considered the overall quality of services provided by the Advisor to the Fund. In doing so, the Board considered the Advisor's specific responsibilities in day-to-day management and oversight of the Fund, as well as the qualifications, experience, and responsibilities of the personnel involved in the activities of the Fund. The Board also considered the overall quality of the organization and operations of the Advisor, as well as its compliance structure and compliance procedures. In addition, the Board considered the respective roles of the Advisor and the Sub-Advisor, noting that the Advisor provides overall supervision of the general investment management and investment operations of the Fund and oversees the Sub-Advisor with respect to the Fund's operations, including monitoring the investment and trading activities of the Sub-Advisor, monitoring the Fund's compliance with its investment policies, and providing general administrative services related to the Advisor's overall supervision of the Fund; and that the Sub-Advisor's responsibilities include day-to-day portfolio management. The Board and the Independent Trustees concluded that based on the various factors they had reviewed, the nature, overall quality, and extent of the management and oversight services provided by the Advisor to the Fund were satisfactory.

##### Advisory Fee and Expense Ratio

With respect to the advisory fee paid by the Fund, the meeting materials indicated that the annual investment advisory fee (gross of fee waivers) was above the Peer Group and Fund Universe medians by 0.20% and 0.32%, respectively. The Trustees observed that the Advisor has been waiving fees since it began managing the Fund in 2020. The Trustees considered that the Advisor does not manage any other accounts with the same objectives and policies as the Fund, and therefore they did not have a good basis for comparing the Fund's advisory fee with those of other similar client accounts of the Advisor. The Trustees also considered that the Fund's advisory fee was

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### **Board Consideration of Investment Advisory Contract and Sub-Advisory Contract (Unaudited) – Continued**

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within the range of advisory fees paid by other series of the Trust managed by the Advisor.

The annual total expenses paid by the Fund (net of fee waivers) for the Fund's most recent fiscal year were lower than the Peer Group median, but higher than Fund Universe median by 0.03%. The Trustees observed, however, that the average net assets of the Fund were significantly lower than the average net assets of corresponding classes of funds in the Fund Universe, and that certain of those other funds also had significant assets in other classes.

The Board and the Independent Trustees concluded that based on the factors they had reviewed, the compensation payable to the Advisor under the Advisory Agreement was fair and reasonable in light of the nature and quality of the services the Advisor provides to the Fund.

#### Advisor Profitability and Costs

The Board and the Independent Trustees considered information provided by the Advisor regarding its costs in providing services to the Fund, the profitability of the Advisor and the benefits to the Advisor from its relationship with the Fund. The Trustees reviewed and considered the Advisor's representations regarding its assumptions and methods of allocating certain costs, such as personnel costs, which constitute the Advisor's largest operating cost, and overhead costs with respect to the provision of investment advisory services. The Trustees considered the general process through which individuals' compensation is determined and then reviewed by the management committee of the Advisor, as well as the Advisor's methods for determining that its compensation levels are set at appropriate levels to attract and retain the personnel necessary to provide high quality professional investment advice. The Trustees observed that the Advisor had waived a majority of its advisory fee for the Fund and had not realized a profit with respect to the Fund.

#### Economies of Scale

The Board and the Independent Trustees considered whether there have been economies of scale with respect to the management of the Fund, whether the Fund has appropriately benefited from any economies of scale, and whether the advisory fee rate is reasonable in relation to the Fund's asset levels and any economies of scale that may exist. The Trustees considered the Advisor's representation that its internal costs of providing investment management services to the Fund have increased in recent years as a result of a number of factors, including the ongoing and growing complexity of the Fund's investments, as well as the Advisor's investment in building a highly-seasoned trading, compliance, valuation, client service and operations staff to support the Advisor's investment teams. The Trustees also noted the Advisor's representation that it would continue making such investments in its personnel, systems, and facilities in an effort to maintain and increase the level and quality of services that it provides to the Fund. The Trustees also considered the Advisor's willingness to close funds to new investors when it believes that the Fund has limited capacity to grow or when it otherwise would be detrimental to fund shareholders.

The Board and the Independent Trustees noted that the advisory fee schedule for the Fund does not have breakpoints. They considered that many registered funds have breakpoints in the advisory fee structure as a means by which to share in the benefits of potential economies of scale as a fund's assets grow. They also considered that not all funds have breakpoints in their fee structures and that breakpoints are not the exclusive means of sharing potential economies of scale. The Board and the Independent Trustees considered the Advisor's representation that it believes that breakpoints are currently not warranted for the Fund given the ongoing additional investments the Advisor is making in its business for the benefit of the Fund, the increases in compensation paid to attract and retain high quality investment professionals, uncertainties regarding the direction of the economy, and uncertainties regarding future growth or contraction in the Fund's assets, all of which could negatively impact the Advisor's profitability. The Trustees concluded that the Fund is benefitting from

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### **Board Consideration of Investment Advisory Contract and Sub-Advisory Contract (Unaudited) – Continued**

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the ongoing investments made by the Advisor in its team of personnel serving the Fund and in the Advisor's service infrastructure, and that in light of these investments, the addition of breakpoints to the Fund's advisory fee structure was not warranted at current asset levels.

#### Benefits to the Advisor

The Board and the Independent Trustees considered other "fall out" benefits received by the Advisor as a result of its relationship with the Fund, other than the advisory fee, including the beneficial effects from the review by the Trust's Chief Compliance Officer of the Advisor's compliance program, the intangible benefits of its association with the Fund generally, and any favorable publicity arising in connection with the Fund's performance.

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#### Nature, Extent, and Quality of Services

The Board considered the overall quality of services provided by the Sub-Advisor to the Fund. In doing so, the Trustees noted that, as the sole sub-advisor to the Fund, the Sub-Advisor is primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund and its investment results, which the Board had discussed when considering the Advisory Agreement with the Advisor. The Trustees noted that the Advisor was recommending the renewal of the Sub-Advisory Agreement. The Board and the Independent Trustees concluded that based on the various factors they had reviewed, the nature, overall quality, and extent of the management services provided by the Sub-Advisor to the Fund were satisfactory.

#### Sub-Advisory Fee

The Board and the Independent Trustees considered information provided by the Sub-Advisor regarding the Fund's sub-advisory fee. The Board and the Independent Trustees noted that the Fund's sub-advisory fee was within the range of the advisory fees that the Sub-Advisor charges to manage separate accounts using similar strategies as the Fund. The Board observed that the Advisor pays the Sub-Advisor's sub-advisory fee out of the Advisor's advisory fee. The Board and the Independent Trustees concluded that the compensation payable to the Sub-Advisor pursuant to the Sub-Advisory Agreement was fair and reasonable in light of the nature and quality of the services the Sub-Advisor provides to the Fund.

#### Benefits to the Sub-Advisor

The Board and the Independent Trustees considered other "fall out" benefits received by the Sub-Advisor as a result of its relationship with the Fund, other than the sub-advisory fee, including research services provided to it by broker-dealers providing execution services to the Fund, the beneficial effects from the review by the Trust's Chief Compliance Officer of the Sub-Advisor's compliance program, the intangible benefits of its association with the Fund generally, and any favorable publicity arising in connection with the Fund's performance.

#### ***Conclusion***

Based on these and other factors, the Board and the Independent Trustees concluded that renewal of the Fund Advisory Agreements was in the best interests of the Fund and its shareholders and, accordingly, renewed each Fund Advisory Agreement.