## **RBC Global Asset Management**

# Florida Insurance Guaranty Association Finance and Audit Committee Meeting

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# **Economy & Market Review**



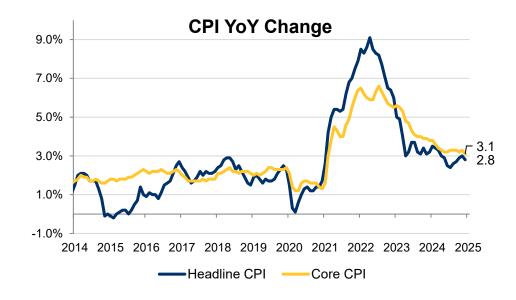
# Outlook

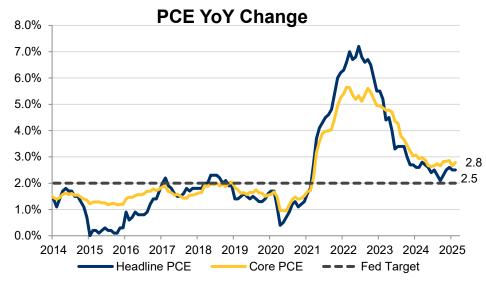
# Trade War, Small Government and Rapid Change

- Ongoing trade war amid announcement of Trump tariffs
- Re-shore and privatize
  - Trade war encourages re-shoring and increases revenue while privatization decreases spending
  - DOGE changes could be transformative: perhaps 500,000 jobs cut at Federal level along with programs left to the states or private sector
- Great deal of uncertainty exists increased volatility
- Recent survey and sentiment-based data has been trending weaker
- Consumer and Industrial "hard data" had been stable but perhaps cracking
- Inflation had been moderating around 3%, but likely headed back to 4.5%
  - Prices will be on the rise depending on level and duration of tariffs and unclear immigration affects
  - Dilemma for the Fed and while "transitory" in the lexicon will likely sit tight initially
  - Market pricing in 3-4 rate cuts for 2025 though Future cuts in 2025 dependent on the effects of Trump policies
- Higher stagflation risk owing to weaker employment data
- We have been de-risking given the cautious outlook and positioning defensively
  - Shorter duration securities are compelling as they combine attractive yields with lower vulnerability to Treasury price shocks further out the curve
  - Over the medium to long-term we have a positive outlook on credit due to strong fundamentals, a robust consumersupported US economy, and a favorable technical backdrop



# **US** Inflation

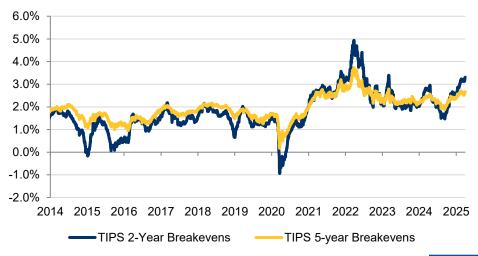




As of 3.31.25 Source: Bloomberg

- Headline CPI eased to 2.8% in February, lower than expected
- Core CPI also showed signs of cooling, ticking down to 3.1% YoY
- While the February report showed progress, looming tariffs create uncertainty as their impact on inflation is still unknown

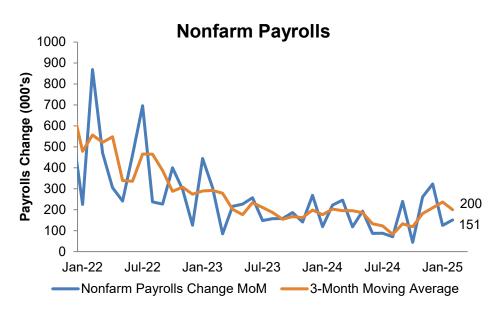
### **US Inflation Expectations**



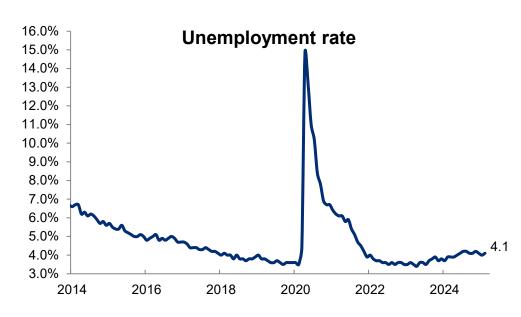


# **Employment**

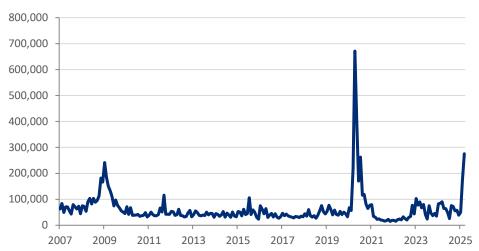
- 151k jobs were added in February, below expectations
- The unemployment rate ticked back up slightly, to 4.1%
- Federal job cuts captured in Challenger but not yet in the hard data



As of 3.31.25 Source: Bloomberg



### **Challenger US Job Cuts**

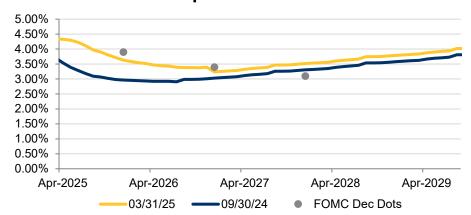




# The Federal Reserve

- The Fed held rates steady again at the February meeting and is in no hurry to cut
- Most likely to see pause in the near-term
- Future cuts in 2025 are dependent on the effects of Trump policies

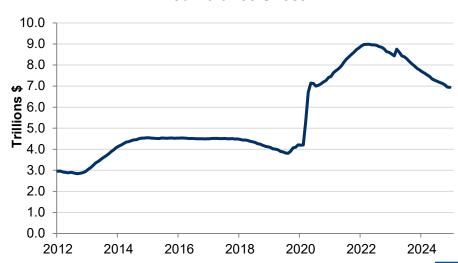
### **Market Expectations of Fed Cuts**



As of 3.31.25 Source: Bloomberg, Federal Reserve

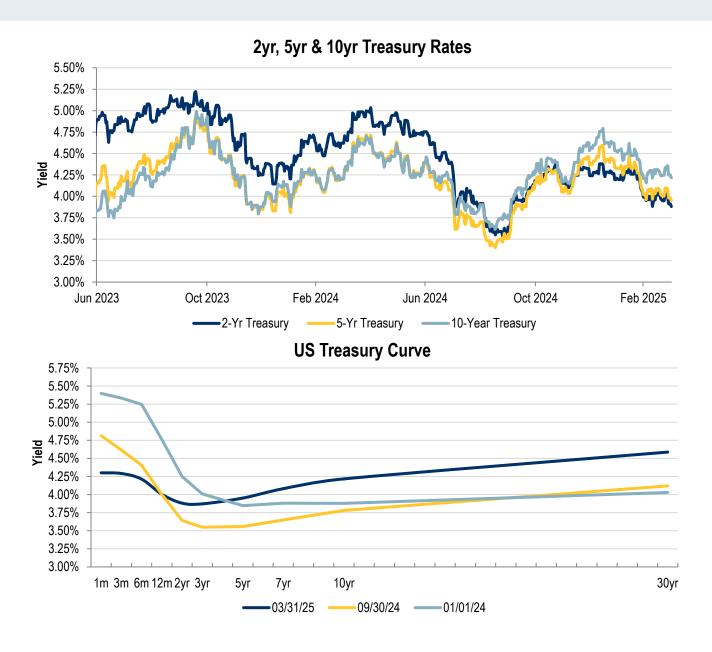
# Fed Funds Rate 5.00 4.00 2.00 1.00 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025

### Fed Balance Sheet





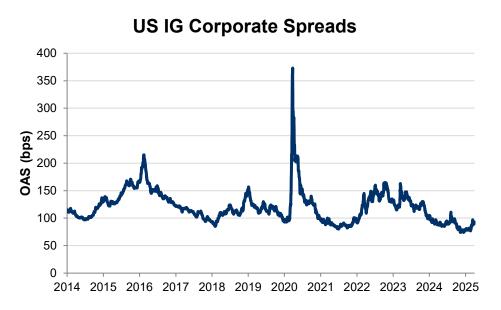
# U.S. Treasury Rates



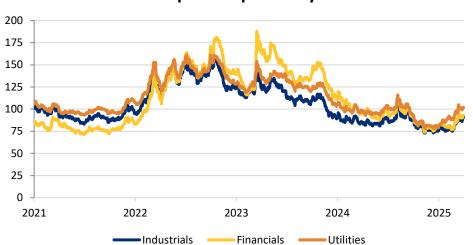




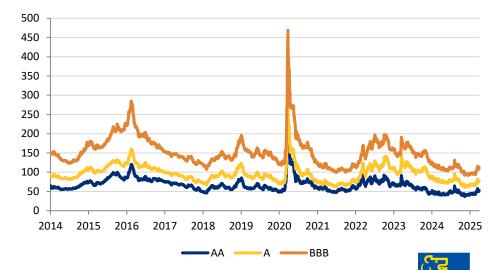
# Risk assets – IG Corporate Spreads



### **US IG Corporate Spreads by Sector**



### **US IG Corporate Spreads by Credit Quality**



As of 3.31.25 Source: Bloomberg **RBC Global Asset Management** 

# Portfolio Review



# Portfolio Performance

# Florida Insurance Guaranty Association

	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	YTD 2025	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception (5.1.11)
Total Portfolio (Gross of Fees)	0.38	0.35	0.73	5.14	3.57	2.28	2.05	1.61
Total Portfolio (Net of Fees)	0.38	0.34	0.72	5.06	3.49	2.20	1.98	1.54
Principal Return	0.37	0.34	0.71	4.81	2.73	1.12	0.66	0.46
Income Return	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.31	0.82	1.14	1.39	1.15
Blended Benchmark*	0.45	0.66	1.12	5.37	3.00	1.85	1.73	1.36

### \*Linked Benchmark History:

6.1.19 - Current

50% ICE BofAML 1-5 Yr AAA-AA US Corporate & Government

25% ICE BofAML 0-1 Yr AAA-A US Corporate

25% ICE BofAML 0-3 month Treasury Bill

5.1.16 - 5.31.19

50% ICE BofAML 1-3 Yr Corporate & Government AA & Higher

50% ICE BofAML 3 month LIBOR

5.1.11 - 4.30.16

50% ICE BofAML 1-3 Yr Government

50% ICE BofAML 3 month LIBOR

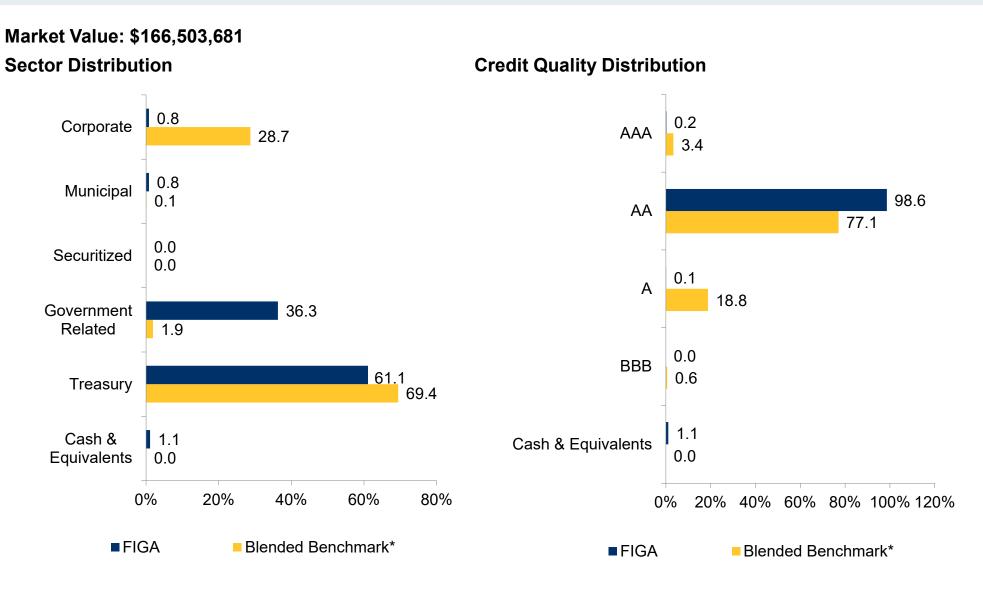
As of 2.28.25; Source: RBC GAM, ICE Data Services

All returns for periods greater than one year are shown on an annualized basis. Past performance is not indicative of future results.



# **Portfolio Characteristics**

# Florida Insurance Guaranty Association



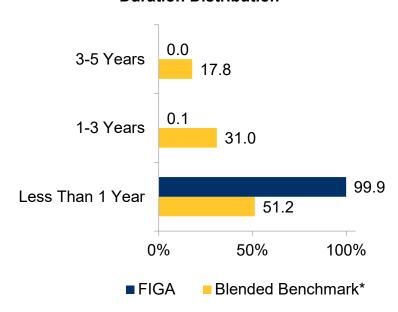
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### **Duration Distribution**



Characteristics	FIGA	Blended Benchmark*
Effective Duration	0.05 years	1.44 years
Market Yield	4.60%	4.13%
Average Quality	AA+	AA

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# Stress Test Analysis – February 2025

# Florida Insurance Guaranty Association

			Instantaneous Interest Rate Increases				
Market Value	Eff. Duration	25 bp Rate Shock (%)	25 bp Rate Shock (\$)	50 bp Rate Shock (%)	50 bp Rate Shock (\$)	100 bp Rate Shock (%)	100 bp Rate Shock (\$)
166,489,722	0.05	-0.01%	-22,332.59	-0.03%	-44,665	-0.05%	-89,330

Spreads Widen					
Spread	25 bp	25 bp	50 bp	<b>50</b> bp	
Duration	Spread Shock (%)	Spread Shock (\$)	Spread Shock (%)	Spread Shock (\$)	
0.02	0.00%	-6,303	-0.01%	-12,606	

Liquidation Gain/Loss				
Realized G/L	25 bp Curve (Realized G/L)	50 bp Curve (Realized G/L)	25 bp Spread Shock (Realized G/L)	50 bp Spread Shock (Realized G/L)
-8,349	-30,682	-53,014	-14,652	-20,955

Notes: The first portion of the report reflects instantaneous interest rate changes of 25, 50, and 100 basis points and the impact of those changes on the valuation of the portfolio vs. current market value. The second section of the report reflects changes in spreads of 25 and 50 basis points. The third section reflects a full liquidation at current market valuations as well as immediately after a 25 and 50 basis point upward shift in interest rates and spreads.



# **Compliance Summary**



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# Florida Insurance Guaranty Association

• The portfolio managed by RBC GAM was in compliance with FIGA's investment policy as of February 28, 2025.



# Florida Insurance Guaranty Association

Charles RIVER A State Street Company	Account	Complianc	e Summary		
Test Account (USD)  Manager DUMMY_MANA	Florida Insurance Guaranty <i>I</i> AGER	Association - Top A/	C Total Assets Market Value		166,505,357.43 166,505,357.43
<b>-</b>			Net Assets		166,505,357.43
	Tes	t Concentration	ons		
Category - Test - Bucket	Results Based on Posit	ions plus Open Orde	ers	Actual	Severity
Issuer, Obligor, Guarantor, Coun	ternarty				
Maximum % of portfolio invested pe		r (Upr Lmt:5.0)			
Zero Concentration	,	(-)		0.000 %	
Position / Order Market Value	0.00	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43		
Maximum % of portfolio invested pe	er Issuer of Municipal Debt (Up	pr Lmt:5.0)			
California Health Facilities Finance	sing Authority			0.343 %	
Position / Order Market Value	571,628.80	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43		
New York State Dormitory Author	ity			0.301 %	
Position / Order Market Value	501,891.05	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43		
Bay Area Toll Authority				0.108 %	
Position / Order Market Value	179,027.76	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43		
Maximum % of portfolio invested pe	er Issuer of Bankers Acceptan	oe (Upr Lmt:10.0)			
Zero Concentration				0.000 %	
Position / Order Market Value	0.00	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43		
Maximum % of portfolio invested pe	er Issuer of Corporate Obligation	ons and Other Taxab	le Securities (Upr Lmt:3.0)		
ANZ Group Holdings Ltd				0.302 %	
Position / Order Market Value	503,268.42	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43		
Texas Instruments Inc				0.227 %	
Position / Order Market Value	377,164.27	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43		
Apple Inc				0.210 %	
Position / Order Market Value	348,910.91	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43		
Public Storage/new	05 027 22	And Made (Veter	400 505 257 42	0.058 %	
Position / Order Market Value	30,837.32	Acct Market Value	166,000,307.43		



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Maximum % of portfolio invested per Issuer of Certificates of Deposit (Upr Lmt:5.0)	
Zero Concentration	0.000 %
Position / Order Market Value 0.00 Acct Market Value 166,505,357.43	
Maximum % of portfolio invested per Issuer of Mortgage Backed Securities (Upr Lmt:5.0)	
Zero Concentration	0.000 %
Position / Order Market Value 0.00 Acct Market Value 166,505,357.43	
Maximum % of portfolio invested per Issuer of Bank Notes (Upr Lmt.5.0)	
Zero Concentration	0.000 %
Position / Order Market Value 0.00 Acct Market Value 166,505,357.43	
Margins & Premiums	
Prohibited Strategy: Margin (Upr Lmt:0.0)	
Zero Concentration	0.000 Value
Maturity, Average Life	
Maximum weighted average maturity of the portfolio: 730 Days (Use Resets and Puts to Shorten) (Upr Lmt:730.0)	23.773 Days
Maturity - Days 3,958,334,579.83 Position / Order Market Value 166,505,155.61	
Maximum weighted average maturity of the portfolio: 910 Days (Use Puts to Shorten) (Upr Lmt:910.0)	23.773 Days
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Maximum % of portfolio invested in Municipal Debt Securities (Upr Lmt:15.0)

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Position / Order Market Value	1,252,547.61	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43	0.752 %
Maximum % of portfolio invested in	Commercial Paper (Upr Lmt:2	25.0)		
Zero Concentration				0.000 %
Position / Order Market Value	0.00	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43	
Maximum % of portfolio invested in	Bankers Acceptance and Cer	tificates of Deposit (U	pr Lmt:15.0)	
Zero Concentration				0.000 %
Amortized Cost 0.00		Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43	
Maximum % of portfolio invested in	Money Market Funds (Upr Lm	nt:25.0)		
Zero Concentration				0.000 %
Position / Order Market Value	0.00	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43	
Minimum % of portfolio invested in U	J.S. Treasuries and Explicitly	/ Implicitly Backed Ag	encies (Lwr Lmt20.0)	
				97.332 %
Position / Order Market Value	162,063,056.75	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43	
Maximum % of portfolio invested in	Sovereign, Foreign Governme	ent, or Supranational	(Upr Lmt:15.0)	
Zero Concentration				0.000 %
Position / Order Market Value	0.00	Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43	
CFTC Monitoring for Regulatory Co	mpliance (Upr Lmt:10.0)			
Zero Concentration				0.000 %
Absolute Market Value 0.00		Acct Market Value	166,505,357.43	
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### Exclusion Tests

Category - Test - Security	Restricted Security	Violation Source	Severity
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### Broker

Prohibited Broker: RBC Capital Markets and affiliates

### Country, Exchange, Foreign, Region

Reputational Risk: Country on RBC's Restricted or High Risk List

Prohibited Country: OFAC Restricted List

Conditionally Approved: OFAC Sanctioned - RUSSIA & UKRAINE -

Prohibited Country: RUSSIA

### **CPL Broker Test**

PLACEMENT: UK Traders are not permitted to trade on Venue for RBC GAM US Accounts

UK Traders are not permitted to trade on RBC GAM US Accounts

Only IGUBS can trade on FXALL-UBS



# Florida Insurance Guaranty Association

### **Exclusion Tests**

Category - Test - Security Restricted Security Violation Source Severity

### **CPL Broker Test**

PLACEMENT: UK Traders are not permitted to trade on Venue for RBC GAM US Accounts

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Only IGUBS can trade on FXALL-UBS

### **CPL Country Test**

Not permitted to invest in companies whose operations originated on the US Treasury OFAC Prohibited Countries List: Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan and Syria

### CPL Issuer/Security: Eligibility Test

COMPLIANCE TEST: Not permitted to invest in an RBC provided list of prohibited companies which are involved in Controversial Weapons production (Cluster Munitions and Land Mines)

MIFID Pre Trade Fair Price must be provided for all in-scope orders

Not permitted to invest in RBC or Affiliates

Not permitted to trade Security IDs [Remove only when adjustments have been made]

Not permitted to trade CUSIP

### CPL Security Type: Eligibility Test

Not a BlueBay Approved Instrument

### Illiquid, 144a, Private Placement, Restricted, et. al.

Prohibited Investment: 4(2) Commercial Paper

Prohibited Investment: 144A Securities or 3(c)(7) Commercial Paper (Client is not a Certified Qualified Institutional Buyer)

Prohibited Investment: Illiquid Securities

### Issuer, Obligor, Guarantor, Counterparty

Instruments of domestic or foreign banks and S&Ls must i) have capital, surplus, and undivided profits of over \$100M or ii) the principal amount of the instrument is insured by the BIF

Prohibited Issuer: Communist Chinese Military Companies

BlueBay Restricted Issuer

Prohibited Issuer: Royal Bank of Canada

### Maturity, Average Life

Maximum maturity for Bankers Acceptance and Certificates of Deposit: 1 Year

Maximum maturity for Commercial Paper: 270 Days Maximum maturity for Any Security: 61 months Maximum maturity for New Purchases: 90 days

### Other Security Attribute

Prohibited Investment: Z-Tranches

Prohibited Investment: Principal Only & Interest Only Securities

Notice of pending expiration of LOC



# Florida Insurance Guaranty Association

### Rating - Credit Quality

Minimum rating for Short Term Securities: A-1 (minimum 2 NRSO ratings)

Minimum rating for Long Term Securities: A (minimum 2 NRSO ratings) (F121 only)

Minimum rating for Agency Securities: AA- (minimum 2 NRSO ratings)

### Security

Purchase of this security is prohibited

Purchase of this security is prohibited without approval from Sarah Jaimet or Mike Lee

\*\*\*Affiliated underwriting data test2\*\*\* Test

\*\*\*Affiliated underwriting data test4\*\*\* Test

### Security Types, Investment Classes

Prohibited Investment: Venture Capital

Prohibited Investment: Limited Liability Companies (LLC) and Limited Partnerships (LP)

Prohibited Investment: Real Estate

Prohibited Investment: CBO, CDO, CLO or SIV

Prohibited Investment: TBAs

Prohibited Investment: Derivatives

Allowed Investments: US Government and Agency Issues, BA, BN, CD, CP, Corporate Debt, Money Market Funds, Municipals, Repurchase

greements

Conditionally Approved Investment: Repurchase Agreements (No Signed Agreement)

Prohibited Investment: Asset Backed Securities (Except Agency Pass-throughs and SBA issued securities)

Conditionally Approved Investment: Money Market Mutual Funds

Trades in swaps are prohibited. This would require a new "swap firm" designation with the NFA/CFTC

New derivative types must be approved by Fixed Income Co-Heads. Inform Regulatory Compliance

### Trade Attribute

GAM - No overselling

GAM - No Selling of Segregated Quantities

Order quantity is below the Minimum Increment for this security

Order quantity is below the Minimum Denomination for this security

Cross trade transactions must be reviewed and meet certain qulaifications for the exemption of 17(a)7/ cross requirements. No cross trades allowed without RBC GAM US CCO approval.

Prohibited Strategy: Short Sales

### Manual Tests

### Category - Test

### Rating - Credit Quality

### IGSF121TOP

Downgrade Notification: If a security is downgraded after purchase, the position should be liquidated in a timely fashion and a written recommendation given to the client, immediate sale in a depressed market is not mandated. Within 5 days Workers Co

### Security Types, Investment Classes

### IGSF121TOP

Prohibited Investment: Auction Rate Securities (Manual)



Severity

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