Avenue Income Credit Strategies Fund Form N-Q September 29, 2014

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

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-22485

Avenue Income Credit Strategies Fund (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

399 Park Avenue, 6th Floor

New York, NY (Address of principal executive offices)

10022 (Zip code)

Randolph Takian

Avenue Capital Group

399 Park Avenue, 6th Floor

New York, NY 10022 (Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 878-3500

Date of fiscal year October 31

end:

Date of reporting period: July 31, 2014

Item 1. Schedule of Investments. The schedule of investments for the period ended July 31, 2014, is filed herewith.

Avenue Income Credit Strategies Fund

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

July 31, 2014 (unaudited)

Security Description	Coupon	Maturity	Maturity Amo		Value
CORPORATE BONDS & NOTES 103.8%					
Aerospace & Defense 1.6%					
Accudyne Industries Borrower / Accudyne Industries					
LLC (a)	7.75%	12/15/2020	\$	3,800 \$	3,980,500
Airlines 2.7%					
US Airways 2000-3C Pass Through Trust	8.39%	3/1/2022		5,163	5,833,928
US Airways 2011-1 Pass Through Trust	10.88%	10/22/2014		757	777,541
Ç					6,611,469
Auto Components 3.4%					
Chassix Holdings, Inc. PIK (a)	10.00%	12/15/2018		2,490	2,496,225
Chassix, Inc. (a)	9.25%	8/1/2018		5,600	5,950,000
Cl. 1 1 100					8,446,225
Chemicals 1.0%	0.750	5/15/2017		2.425	2.500.600
Perstorp Holding AB (a)	8.75%	5/15/2017		2,425	2,588,688
Commercial Banks 1.9%					
Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC	7.65%	(b)		4,000	4,760,800
Commencial Commisses & Commisses A (6)					
Commercial Services & Supplies 0.6%	8.13%	9/1/2010		1.536	1,562,880
Light Tower Rentals, Inc. (a)	8.13%	8/1/2019		1,330	1,302,880
Communications Equipment 5.0%					
Alcatel-Lucent USA, Inc. (a)	8.88%	1/1/2020		3,195	3,546,450
Aspect Software, Inc.	10.63%	5/15/2017		2,925	3,034,687
Avaya, Inc.:					
	9.00%	4/1/2019(a)		3,700	3,774,000
	10.50%	3/1/2021(a)		2,199	1,924,125
Computers & Peripherals 0.8%					12,279,262
Oberthur Technologies Holding SAS (a)	9.25%	4/30/2020	EUR	1,357	1,989,715
Obertuidi Technologies Holding SAS (a)	9.23 /0	4/30/2020	LUK	1,557	1,909,713
Construction Materials 3.6%					
CeramTec Group GmbH (a)	8.25%	8/15/2021		6,100	8,964,606
Consumer Finance 1.7%					
Springleaf Finance Corp.	6.90%	12/15/2017	\$	4,000	4,330,000
Containers & Packaging 1.7%					
Ardagh Finance Holdings SA PIK (a)	8.63%	6/15/2019		3,261	3,285,457
Ardagh Packaging Finance PLC / Ardagh Holdings					
USA, Inc. (a)	4.25%	1/15/2022	EUR	750	983,198
					4,268,655
Diversified Telecommunication Services 1.9%		404		0 =	
Avanti Communications Group PLC (a)	10.00%	10/1/2019	\$	3,761	3,826,818
Wind Acquisition Finance SA (a)	7.38%	4/23/2021		950	990,375
					4,817,193

Electric Utilities 1.8% Energy Future Intermediate Holding Corp. (a) 11.75% 3/1/2022 3,655 4,386,000 Energy Equipment & Services 12.5% 9,502,500 CHC Helicopter SA 9.38% 6/1/2021 9,050 Globe Luxembourg SCA (a) 5/1/2018 7,863,427 9.63% 7,150 Hercules Offshore, Inc.: 6.75% 4/1/2022(a) 817 735,300 7/15/2021(a) 5,015 5,102,762 8.75% 10.25% 4/1/2019(a) 1,710 1,863,900 Tervita Corp.: 8.00% 2,725 11/15/2018(a) 2,806,750 9.00% 11/15/2018(a) CAD 1,500 1,399,780 10.88% 2/15/2018(a) \$ 1,680 1,696,800 30,971,219

			Principal		
Security Description	Coupon	Maturity	Amount (000)	Value	
Health Care Equipment & Supplies 2.5%					
ConvaTec Finance International SA PIK (a)	8.25%	1/15/2019	\$ 5,00	00 \$ 5,118,750	
Jaguar Holding Co. I PIK (a)	9.38%	10/15/2017	95		
				6,091,480	
Health Care Providers & Services 2.9%	5 60 8	7,1,5,12,022	1.04	1.050.000	
Amsurg Corp. (a)	5.63%	7/15/2022	1,24	1,252,230	
HCA, Inc.:	7.050	12/1/2027	7.4	752 450	
	7.05% 7.50%	12/1/2027 11/6/2033	74 12	,	
	7.58%	9/15/2025	55		
	7.69%	6/15/2025	90		
	7.75%	7/15/2036	52		
Tenet Healthcare Corp.:	1.1370	7/13/2030	32	.5 540,000	
Tenet Heatineare Corp	6.88%	11/15/2031	2,47	75 2,376,000	
	8.13%	4/1/2022	52		
	0.13 /0	17172022	32	7,240,768	
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 5.8%				.,,. 00	
Caesars Entertainment Operating Co, Inc.:					
	9.00%	2/15/2020	6,21	, ,	
	11.25%	6/1/2017	5,85		
The Unique Pub Finance Co. PLC	5.66%	6/30/2027	GBP 2,35	4,016,500	
				14,338,487	
Household Durables 3.2%					
K Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc.:					
	7.00%	1/15/2019(a)		,	
	9.13%	11/15/2020(a)	7,00		
Independent Power Producers & Energy Traders 1.5%				7,941,200	
Illinois Power Generating Co.:					
innois rower denerating co	6.30%	4/1/2020	98	939,308	
	7.00%	4/15/2018	1,35		
	7.95%	6/1/2032	1,45	, ,	
				3,663,558	
Insurance 3.6%					
American International Group, Inc.:					
	8.00%	5/22/2068(a)	EUR 3,00	00 4,850,709	
	8.18%	5/15/2068	\$ 3,00	, ,	
				8,994,459	
Machinery 2.7%					
Emeco Pty Ltd. (a)	9.88%	3/15/2019	4,12		
Galapagos Holding SA (a)	7.00%	6/15/2022	EUR 57		
Waterjet Holdings, Inc. (a)	7.63%	2/1/2020	\$ 1,84		
Marine 4.9%				6,797,596	
Global Ship Lease, Inc. (a)	10.00%	4/1/2019	2,95	3,101,700	
Navios Maritime Acquisition Corp. / Navios	10.00 /6	7/1/2019	2,95	3,101,700	
Acquisition Finance US, Inc. (a)	8.13%	11/15/2021	2,78	2,814,750	
Navios Maritime Holdings, Inc. / Navios Maritime	0.1376	11/13/2021	2,70	2,614,750	
Finance II US, Inc.:					
i manee if 00, inc	7.38%	1/15/2022(a)	1,04	1,064,305	
	8.13%	2/15/2019	5,12		
	0.1370	2,13,2017	5,12	12,223,112	
Media 10.8%				==,===,= =	
Altice SA (a)	7.75%	5/15/2022	1,83	35 1,876,286	
Clear Channel Communications, Inc.	11.25%	3/1/2021	8,61		

Clear Channel Communications, Inc. PIK	14.00%	2/1/2021	1,853	1,848,367
Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings, Inc.	7.63%	3/15/2020	3,500	3,675,000
Gibson Brands, Inc. (a)	8.88%	8/1/2018	3,948	3,987,480
Univision Communications, Inc.:				
	7.88%	11/1/2020(a)	3,000	3,225,000

Security Description	Coupon	Maturity	Principal ity Amount (000)		Value	
	8.50%	5/15/2021(a) \$	2,500 \$	2,700,000	
					26,783,133	
Metals & Mining 4.3%						
Essar Steel Minnesota LLC (a)	11.50%	5/15/2020		3,973	4,082,258	
Schmolz + Bickenbach Luxembourg SA (a)	9.88%	5/15/2019	EUR	2,268	3,385,533	
Wise Metals Group LLC / Wise Alloys Finance Corp.	0.750	10/15/0010	ф	020	070 450	
(a) Wise Metals Intermediate Holdings I I C/Wise	8.75%	12/15/2018	\$	820	879,450	
Wise Metals Intermediate Holdings LLC/Wise Holdings Finance Corp. (a)	9.75%	6/15/2010		2 262	2,308,260	
Holdings Finance Corp. (a)	9.73%	6/15/2019		2,263	10,655,501	
Multiline Retail 2.2%					10,033,301	
JC Penney Corp, Inc.	5.65%	6/1/2020		5,150	4,493,375	
The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc. (a)	8.00%	10/15/2021		150	158,250	
The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc. (a) The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc. PIK (a)	8.75%	10/15/2021		645	688,538	
The Neiman Wareus Group, me. 1 IX (a)	0.7570	10/13/2021		043	5,340,163	
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 7.4%					3,3 10,103	
Connacher Oil and Gas Ltd. (a)	8.50%	8/1/2019		4,000	3,160,000	
Halcon Resources Corp.:	0.0070	0/1/2019		.,000	2,100,000	
	8.88%	5/15/2021		6,300	6,536,250	
	9.25%	2/15/2022		3,458	3,635,222	
Midstates Petroleum Co, Inc. / Midstates Petroleum						
Co. LLC	10.75%	10/1/2020		1,612	1,736,930	
New Gulf Resources LLC/NGR Finance Corp.	11.75%	5/15/2019		1,800	1,845,000	
Westmoreland Coal Company (a)	10.75%	2/1/2018		1,360	1,448,400	
					18,361,802	
Personal Products 2.6%						
Ontex IV (a)	7.50%	4/15/2018	EUR	4,560	6,335,535	
Pharmaceuticals 0.2%						
Pinnacle Merger Sub, Inc. (a)	9.50%	10/1/2023	\$	400	440,000	
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Road & Rail 2.5%	0.250	(11/2020		5 (75	(214 125	
Jack Cooper Holdings Corp. (a)	9.25%	6/1/2020		5,675	6,214,125	
Software 3.9%						
	8.13%	7/15/2021		937	932.315	
BMC Software Finance, Inc. (a)	9.00%	10/15/2019			/	
Boxer Parent Co., Inc. PIK (a) Infor US, Inc.	9.38%	4/1/2019		5,659 3,250	5,262,870 3,550,625	
mor os, mc.	9.36%	4/1/2019		3,230	9,745,810	
Wireless Telecommunication Services 2.6%					9,743,010	
Arqiva Broadcast Finance PLC (a)	9.50%	3/31/2020	GBP	3,375	6,353,282	
TOTAL CORPORATE BONDS & NOTES	7.50 %	3/31/2020	GDI	3,373	0,333,202	
(Cost \$244,963,162)					257,477,223	
(Cost \$244,703,102)					231,411,223	
SENIOR LOANS 29.8% (c)						
Chemicals 2.1%						
Az Chem Us, Inc. 2nd Lien Term Loan	7.50%	6/12/2022	\$	500	505,500	
Solenis International, LP USD 2nd Lien Term Loan	7.75%	7/2/2022		4,633	4,606,465	
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Containers & Packaging 3.7%						
Clondalkin Aquisition B.V. 2nd Lien Term Loan	10.000	11/20/2020		2.600	2 (27 000	
(d)(e)	10.00%	11/30/2020		3,600	3,627,000	
Mauser Industrieverpackungen GmbH 2nd Lien Term	0.050	6/20/2022		£ 401	E 470.751	
Loan	8.25%	6/30/2022		5,481	5,470,751	
					9,097,751	

Diversified Telecommunication Services 3.0%					
IPC Systems, Inc., 2nd Lien Term Loan	9.50%	5/8/2021		1,410	1,397,663
Tyrol Acquisitions 2 SAS 2nd Lien Term Loan PIK					
(d)	4.35%	7/28/2016	EUR	4,876	6,056,572
					7,454,235
Electric Utilities 2.3%					
Astoria Generating Company Acquisitions Term Loan					
(d)	8.50%	10/26/2017	\$	1,900	1,949,875
La Paloma Generating Co., LLC 2nd Lien Term Loan	9.25%	2/20/2020		4,000	3,880,000
					5 829 875

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Security Description	Coupon	Maturity	Amo	unt (000)	Value	
Energy Equipment & Services 2.9%						
KCA Deutag US Finance LLC, Term Loan	6.25%	5/16/2020	\$	2,100 \$	2,090,382	
Stallion Oilfield Services, Ltd. Term Loan B (d)	8.00%	6/19/2018		5,060	5,125,170	
Food Products 1.7%					7,215,552	
Cucina Acquisition Limited 2nd Lien Term Loan D,						
PIK (d)	3.78%	3/12/2017	GBP	2,556	4,197,211	
Health Care Equipment & Supplies 1.7%	= = 0~	2/1/1/2022		4.200	1.21<.250	
Accellent, Inc. Second Lien (d)	7.50%	3/11/2022	\$	4,300	4,246,250	
Health Care Providers & Services 1.2%						
Surgery Center Holdings, Inc. 2nd Lien Term Loan	8.00%	7/24/2021		2,992	2,977,040	
Household Products 2.3%	0.500	10/20/2010		5.600	5 7 42 000	
KIK Custom Products, Inc. 2nd Lien Term Loan (d)	9.50%	10/29/2019		5,680	5,743,900	
Insurance 1.3%						
Asurion LLC 2nd Lien Term Loan (d)	8.50%	3/3/2021		3,200	3,277,344	
Media 2.1%						
IMG Worldwide Holdings LLC 2nd Lien Term Loan	8.25%	5/6/2022		5 157	5 100 710	
(d)	8.23%	3/0/2022		5,157	5,109,710	
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 2.8%						
Bennu Oil & Gas LLC Replacement Loans (d)	8.75%	11/1/2018		5,389	5,425,384	
Southern Pac Resource Corp. First Lien (d)	11.00%	3/31/2019		1,526	1,510,913	
Professional Services 0.9%					6,936,297	
Academi Holdings, LLC 1st Lien Term Loan	6.25%	7/24/2019		1,511	1,499,667	
Academi Holdings, LLC 2nd Lien Term Loan	11.00%	7/24/2020		755	743,675	
					2,243,342	
Software 0.4%						
Applied Systems, Inc. 2nd Lien Term Loan (d)	7.50%	1/23/2022		997	1,006,068	
Trading Companies & Distributors 1.4%						
Neff Rental LLC 2nd Lien Term Loan	7.25%	6/9/2021		3,485	3,467,575	
TOTAL SENIOR LOANS						
(Cost \$73,367,274)					73,914,115	
CONVERTIBLE BONDS 2.5% Machinery 0.6%						
Meritor, Inc.	7.88%	3/1/2026		1,045	1,655,019	
nentor, me.	7.00%	3/1/2020		1,015	1,033,017	
Thrifts & Mortgage Finance 1.9%						
MGIC Investment Corp. (a)	9.00%	4/1/2063		3,625	4,640,000	
TOTAL CONVERTIBLE BONDS						
(Cost \$5,092,662)					6,295,019	
MUNICIPAL BONDS 0.5%						
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico	8.00%	7/1/2035		1,300	1,170,520	
TOTAL MUNICIPAL BONDS					, ,	
(Cost \$1,220,264)					1,170,520	
TOTAL LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS 136.6%						
(Cost \$324,643,362)					338,856,877	

SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS 4.5%

REPURCHASE AGREEMENT 4.5%

State Street Repurchase Agreement, dated 7/31/14, due 8/1/14 at 0.01%, collateralized by Federated National Mortgage Association obligations maturing on 10/17/2022 market value \$11,435,514 (repurchase proceeds \$11,209,228)

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TOTAL SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS 4.5% (Cost \$11,209,225)

11,209,225

TOTAL INVESTMENTS 141.1% (Cost \$335,852,587)

350,066,102

Security Description	Shares	Value
EQUITY SOLD SHORT (4.1)%		
Index (4.1)%		
iShares iBoxx Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF	(85,969) \$	(10,191,625)
TOTAL EQUITY SOLD SHORT (4.1)%		
(Proceeds \$9,784,804)		(10,191,625)
OTHER ASSETS & LIABILITIES (37.0)%		(91,880,804)
NET ASSETS 100.0%	\$	247,993,673

Percentages are calculated as a percentage of net assets as of July 31, 2014.

(b) Perpetual Maturity.

- (c) Interest rates on Senior Loans may be fixed or may float periodically. On floating rate Senior Loans, the interest rates typically are adjusted based on a base rate plus a premium or spread over the base rate. The base rate usually is a standard inter-bank offered rate, such as a LIBOR, the prime rate offered by one or more major U.S. banks, or the certificate of deposit rate or other base lending rates used by commercial lenders. Floating rate Senior Loans adjust over different time periods, including daily, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually.
- (d) Variable Rate Security. Rate shown is rate in effect at July 31, 2014.
- (e) For fair value measurement disclosure purposes, security is categorized as Level 3.

PIK - Payment in Kind

PLC - Public Limited Company

SCA - Societe en Commandite par Actions

Geographic Allocation of Investments:

	Percentage of Net	
Country	Assets	Value
United States (Includes Short-Term Investments)	87.9%	\$ 217,943,897
United Kingdom	13.8	34,119,738
Canada	6.6	16,318,143
Germany	6.1	15,190,983
Luxembourg	5.7	14,260,993
France	4.7	11,592,737
Norway	3.8	9,502,500
Greece	3.7	9,121,412
Belgium	2.5	6,335,535
Australia	1.6	4,105,370

⁽a) Securities exempt from registration under Rule 144a of the Securities Act of 1933. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, to Qualified Institutional Investors as defined in Rule 144a promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Netherlands	1.5	3,627,000
Switzerland	1.4	3,385,533
Sweden	1.0	2,588,688
Italy	0.4	990,375
Ireland	0.4	983,198
Total Investments	141.1% \$	350,066,102
United States (securities sold short)	(4.1)% \$	(10,191,625)
Total Securities Sold Short	(4.1)% \$	(10,191,625)

The geographic allocation is based on where Avenue Capital Management II L.P., the Investment Adviser, believes the country of risk to be. Country of risk is traditionally the country where the majority of the company s operations are based or where it is headquartered.

Forward Foreign Currency Contracts:

Settlement Date	A	Amount	Value	In Exchange for U.S. \$	A	t Unrealized ppreciation epreciation)	Counterparty
Forward Foreign Cur	rency Cor	ntracts to Buy:					
08/07/2014	EUR	288,207	\$ 385,927	391,170	\$	(5,243)	State Street Bank and Trust Co.
08/07/2014	EUR	191,957	257,043	260,914		(3,871)	
08/07/2014	EUR	791,764	1,060,221	1,078,303		(18,082)	State Street Bank and Trust Co.
08/07/2014	GBP	3,749,084	6,329,424	6,323,224		6,200	State Street Bank and Trust Co.
08/07/2014	GBP	1,013,367	1,710,826	1,704,838		5,988	State Street Bank and Trust Co.
08/07/2014	GBP	1,524,097	2,573,070	2,585,447		(12,377)	State Street Bank and Trust Co.
08/07/2014	GBP	1,980,775	3,344,061	3,369,255		(25,194)	State Street Bank and Trust Co.
		-				(52,579)	
Forward Foreign Cur	rency Coi	ntracts to Sell:					State Street Bank and Trust
08/07/2014	CAD	1,578,375	1,447,382	1,427,437		(19,945)	Co.
08/07/2014	EUR	750,000	1,004,297	1,020,522		16,225	State Street Bank and Trust Co.
08/07/2014	EUR	760,000	1,017,687	1,034,805		17,118	State Street Bank and Trust Co.
08/07/2014	EUR	23,271,168	31,161,555	32,230,640		1,069,085	State Street Bank and Trust Co.
08/07/2014	GBP	16,506,727	27,867,626	27,726,233		(141,393)	State Street Bank and Trust Co.
	TOTAL	, ,	.,,	= : , : = 2, = 20	\$	941,090 888,511	

CAD - Canadian Dollar

EUR - Euro Currency

GBP - Great British Pound

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Notes to Schedule of Investments
July 31, 2014 (unaudited)
1. Organization
Avenue Income Credit Strategies Fund (the Fund) is a Delaware statutory trust registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act), as a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company. The Fund s primary investment objective is to se a high level of current income, with a secondary objective of capital appreciation. The Fund commenced operations on January 27, 2011.
2. Significant Accounting Policies
The following is a summary of significant accounting policies of the Fund in preparation of the Schedule of Investments.
SECURITY VALUATION Corporate Bonds and Notes (including convertible bonds) and unlisted equities are valued using an evaluated quote provided by independent pricing services. Evaluated quotes provided by the pricing services may be determined without exclusive reliance on quoted prices, and may reflect appropriate factors such as institutional-size trading in similar groups of securities, developments related to specific securities, dividend rate, yield, quality, type of issue, coupon rate, maturity, individual trading characteristics and other market data. Short-term debt securities purchased with a remaining maturity of sixty days or less are generally valued at amortized cost, which approximates market value.
Senior Loans are valued using an evaluated quote provided by an independent pricing service. Evaluated quotes provided by the pricing service may be determined without exclusive reliance on quoted prices, and may reflect appropriate factors such as ratings, tranche type, industry, company performance, spread, individual trading characteristics, institutional-size trading in similar groups of securities and other market data.
Credit default swaps are valued using an independent pricing service, or, if the pricing service does not provide a value, by quotes provided by the selling dealer or financial institution.
Equity securities listed on a U.S. Stock Exchange are valued at the latest quoted sales price on valuation date. Securities listed on a foreign exchange are valued at their closing price.

Forward foreign currency contracts are valued using quoted foreign exchange rates. Foreign securities and currencies are valued in U.S. dollars, based on foreign currency exchange rate quotations supplied by a third party pricing service. If events materially affecting the price of foreign portfolio securities occur between the time when their price was last determined on such foreign securities exchange or market and the time

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when the Fund s net asset value was last calculated, such securities may be valued at their fair value as determined in good faith in accordance with procedures established by the Board of Trustees of the Fund (the Board).

Where reliable market quotes are not readily available, loans and debt obligations are valued, where possible, using independent market indicators provided by independent pricing sources approved by the Board. Any investment and other assets or liabilities for which current market quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined in good faith in accordance with procedures established by the Board.

SECURITY TRANSACTIONS AND INVESTMENT INCOME Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Realized gains and losses on investments sold are determined on the basis of identified cost. Interest income is determined on the basis of coupon interest accrued using the effective interest method which adjusts for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts. For those issuers who are not paying in full, interest is only recognized if amounts are reasonably estimable and collectable. Discounts or premiums on debt securities purchased are accreted or amortized, respectively, to interest income over the lives of the respective securities, subject to collectability. Dividend income and

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Notes to Schedule of Investments (continued)

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distributions are recorded on ex-dividend date (except for certain foreign dividends which may be recorded as soon as the Fund is informed of such dividend) net of applicable withholding taxes.

SENIOR LOANS The Fund purchases assignments of, and participations in, senior secured floating rate and fixed rate loans (Senior Loans) originated, negotiated and structured by a U.S. or foreign commercial bank, insurance company, finance company or other financial institution (the Agent) for a lending syndicate of financial institutions (the Lender). When purchasing an assignment, the Fund typically succeeds to all the rights and obligations under the loan of the assigning Lender and becomes a lender under the credit agreement with respect to the debt obligation purchased. Assignments may, however, be arranged through private negotiations between potential assignees and potential assignors, and the rights and obligations acquired by the purchaser of an assignment may differ from, and be more restricted than, those held by the assigning Lender. A participation typically results in a contractual relationship only with the institution participating out the interest, not with the borrower. In purchasing participations, the Fund generally will have no right to enforce compliance by the borrower with the terms of the loan agreement or any rights of setoff against the borrower, and the Fund may not directly benefit from the collateral supporting the debt obligation in which it has purchased the participation. As a result, the Fund will be exposed to the credit risk of both the borrower and the institution selling the participation.

FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION Investment valuations, other assets, and liabilities initially expressed in foreign currencies are translated each business day into U.S. dollars based upon current exchange rates. Purchases and sales of foreign investment securities and income and expenses denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars based upon currency exchange rates in effect on the respective dates of such transactions. Recognized gains or losses on investment transactions attributable to changes in foreign currency exchange rates are recorded as net realized gains and losses on investments. That portion of unrealized gains and losses on investments that results from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates is not separately disclosed.

FORWARD FOREIGN CURRENCY CONTRACTS The Fund may enter into forward foreign currency contracts for the purchase or sale of a specific foreign currency at a fixed price on a future date. The Fund may enter into such forward contracts for hedging purposes. The forward foreign currency contracts are adjusted by the daily exchange rate of the underlying currency and any gains or losses are recorded as unrealized until such time as the contracts have been closed. Risks may arise upon entering these contracts from the potential inability of counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts and from unanticipated movements in the value of a foreign currency relative to the U.S. dollar. In addition, these contracts may involve market risk in excess of the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) reflected in the Fund s Schedule of Investments. It is the Fund s policy to net the unrealized appreciation and depreciation amounts for the same counterparty.

SHORT SALES The Fund may engage in short sales. A short sale is a transaction in which the Fund sells an instrument that it does not own in anticipation that the market price will decline. To deliver the securities to the buyer, the Fund arranges through a broker to borrow the securities and, in so doing, the Fund becomes obligated to replace the securities borrowed at their market price at the time of replacement. When selling short, the Fund intends to replace the securities at a lower price and therefore, profit from the difference between the cost to replace the securities and the proceeds received from the sale of the securities. When the Fund makes a short sale, the proceeds it receives from the sale will be held on behalf of a broker until the Fund replaces the borrowed securities. The Fund may have to pay a premium to borrow the securities and must pay any dividends or interest payable on the securities until they are replaced. The Fund s obligation to replace the securities borrowed in connection with a short sale will be secured by collateral deposited with the broker that consists of cash and/or liquid securities. In addition, the Fund will place in a segregated account an amount of cash and/or liquid securities equal to the difference, if any, between (i) the market value of the securities sold at the time they were sold short, and (ii) any cash and/or liquid securities deposited as collateral with the broker in connection

with the short sale. Short sales involve certain risks and special considerations. If the Fund incorrectly predicts that the price of the borrowed security will decline, the Fund will have to replace the securities with securities with a greater value than the amount received from the sale. As a result, losses from short sales differ from losses that

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could be incurred from a purchase of a security, because losses from short sales may be unlimited, whereas losses from purchases can equal only the total amount invested.

REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS The Fund may engage in repurchase agreements with broker-dealers, banks and other financial institutions to earn incremental income on temporarily available cash which would otherwise be uninvested. A repurchase agreement is a short-term investment in which the purchaser (i.e., the Fund) acquires ownership of a security and the seller agrees to repurchase the obligation at a future time and set price, thereby determining the yield during the holding period. Such agreements are carried at the contract amount, which is considered to represent fair value. It is the Fund s policy that the value of collateral pledged (the securities received), which consists primarily of U.S. government securities and those of its agencies or instrumentalities, is not less than the repurchase price and is held by the custodian bank for the benefit of the Fund until maturity of the repurchase agreement. Repurchase agreements involve certain risks, including bankruptcy or other default of a seller of a repurchase agreement.

UNFUNDED LOAN COMMITMENTS The Fund may enter into certain credit agreements all or a portion of which may be unfunded. The Fund is obligated to fund these commitments at the borrower s discretion.

3. Derivative Instruments & Hedging Activities

The Fund is subject to foreign exchange risk in the normal course of pursuing its investment objectives. Because the Fund holds foreign currency denominated investments, the value of these investments and related receivables and payables may change due to future changes in foreign currency exchange rates. To hedge against this risk, the Fund used forward foreign currency contracts.

At July 31, 2014, the fair value of derivative instruments in an asset position and in a liability position and whose primary underlying risk exposure is foreign exchange risk was \$1,114,616 and \$(226,105), respectively.

4. Related Party Transactions

Affiliates of the Fund may have lending, brokerage, underwriting, or other business relationships with issuers of securities in which the Fund invests. Morgan Stanley, the global financial services firm, owns an indirect, non-controlling minority interest in Avenue Capital Group. During the period, the Fund acquired securities through unaffiliated broker-dealers which were part of underwriting groups in which Morgan Stanley participated.

5. Unrealized Appreciation/(Depreciation)

The cost and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments of the Fund at July 31, 2014, as determined on a federal income tax basis, were as follows:

Aggregate cost of investments	\$ 335,852,587
Gross unrealized appreciation	\$ 18,813,802
Gross unrealized (depreciation)	(4,600,287)
Net unrealized appreciation of investments	\$ 14,213,515
Net unrealized (depreciation) on short sales securities	\$ (406,821)
Net unrealized appreciation	\$ 13,806,694

6. Fair Value Measurements

GAAP defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, under current market

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conditions. GAAP establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation methods giving the highest priority to readily available unadjusted quoted prices in an active market for identical assets (Level 1) and the lowest priority to significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) generally when market prices are not readily available or are unreliable. Based on the valuation inputs, the securities or other investments are tiered into one of three levels. Changes in valuation methods may result in transfers in or out of an investment s assigned level:

- Level 1 Prices are determined using quoted prices in an active market for identical assets.
- Level 2 Prices are determined using other significant observable inputs. Observable inputs are inputs that other market participants may use in pricing a security. These may include quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, loss severities, default rates, discount rates, volatilities and others.
- Level 3 Prices are determined using significant unobservable inputs. In situations where quoted prices or observable inputs are unavailable (for example, when there is little or no market activity for an investment at the end of the period), unobservable inputs may be used. Unobservable inputs reflect the Fund s own assumptions about the factors market participants would use in determining fair value of the securities or instruments and would be based on the best available information.

The valuation techniques used by the Fund to measure fair value during the period ended July 31, 2014 maximized the use of observable inputs and minimized the use of unobservable inputs.

The following are certain inputs and techniques that the Fund generally uses to evaluate how to classify each major category of assets and liabilities for Level 2 and Level 3, in accordance with GAAP.

Corporate Bonds & Notes Corporate bonds and notes are generally comprised of two main categories: investment grade bonds and high yield bonds. Investment grade bonds are valued by independent pricing services using various inputs and techniques, which include broker-dealer quotations, active market trading levels, recently executed transactions in securities of the issuer or comparable issuers, and option adjusted spread models that include base curve and spread curve inputs. Adjustments to individual bonds can be applied to recognize trading differences compared to other bonds issued by the same issuer. High yield bonds are valued by independent pricing services based primarily on broker-dealer quotations from relevant market makers and recently executed transactions in securities of the issuer or comparable issuers. To the extent that these inputs are observable, the values of corporate bonds and notes are categorized as Level 2. To the extent that these inputs are unobservable, the values are categorized as Level 3.

Senior Loans Senior loans are valued using inputs which include broker-dealer quotes or quotes received from independent pricing services that take into account quotes received from broker-dealers or other market sources pertaining to the issuer or security. The Fund may also engage a third party appraiser or other valuation techniques, as described in the private equity section above, to value these securities. Inputs may include quoted prices for similar investments in active markets, interest rates, coupon rates, yield curves, option adjusted spreads, default rates, credit spreads and other unique security features in order to estimate the relevant cash flows which is then discounted to calculate fair values. To the extent that these inputs are observable, the values of senior loans are categorized as Level 2. To the extent that these inputs are unobservable, the values are categorized as Level 3.

Forward Foreign Currency Contracts Forward foreign currency contracts are valued by independent pricing services using various inputs and techniques, which include broker-dealer quotations, actual trading information and foreign currency exchange rates gathered from leading market makers and foreign currency exchange trading centers throughout the world. To the extent that these inputs are observable, the values of forward foreign currency contracts are categorized as Level 2. To the extent that these inputs are unobservable, the values are categorized as Level 3.

Equity Securities Equity securities traded in inactive markets are valued using inputs which include broker-dealer quotes, recently executed transactions adjusted for changes in the benchmark index, or evaluated price quotes received from independent pricing services that take into account the integrity of the market sector and issuer, the individual characteristics of the security, and information received from

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broker-dealers and other market sources pertaining to the issuer or security. To the extent that these inputs are observable, the values of equity securities are categorized as Level 2. To the extent that these inputs are unobservable, the values are categorized as Level 3.

The following is a summary of the tiered valuation input levels, as of July 31, 2014. The Schedule of Investments includes disclosure of each security type by category and/or industry. The level assigned to the securities valuations may not be an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with investing in those securities. Because of the inherent uncertainties of valuation, the values reflected in the Schedule of Investments may materially differ from the value received upon actual sale of those investments.

Investment Securities in an Asset Position	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)		Other Significant Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		Total
Corporate Bonds & Notes	\$	\$	257,477,223	\$	\$	257,477,223
Senior Loans			70,287,115	3,627,000)	73,914,115
Convertible Bonds			6,295,019			6,295,019
Municipal Bonds			1,170,520			1,170,520
Repurchase Agreements			11,209,225			11,209,225
Forward Foreign Currency Contracts*			888,511			888,511
Total Asset Position	\$	\$	347,327,613	\$ 3,627,000	9	350,954,613
Investments in a Liability Position						
Securities Sold Short	(10,191,62	25)				(10,191,625)
Total Liability Position	\$ (10,191,62	25) \$		\$	\$	(10,191,625)

^{*} Other financial instruments such as forward foreign currency contracts are valued at the unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) of the instrument.

Quantitative Information about Level 3 Fair Value Inputs

	Value At July 31, 2014	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Range
Senior Loans	\$ 3,627,000	Third -Party Vendor	Vendor quotes	\$97 - \$100.75

The Investment Adviser has established a Valuation Committee (the Committee) which is responsible for overseeing the pricing and valuation of all securities held in the Fund. The Committee operates under pricing and valuation policies and procedures established by the Fund and approved by the Board, including pricing policies which set forth the mechanisms and processes to be employed on a daily basis to implement

these policies and procedures. In particular, the pricing policies describe how to determine market quotations for securities and other instruments. The Committee is responsibilities include: 1) fair value and liquidity determinations (and oversight of any third parties to whom any responsibility for fair value and liquidity determinations is delegated), and 2) regular monitoring of the Fund is pricing and valuation policies and procedures and modification or enhancement of these policies and procedures (or recommendation of the modification of these policies and procedures) as the Committee believes appropriate. The Committee is also responsible for monitoring the implementation of the pricing policies by the Fund and third parties which perform certain pricing functions in accordance with the pricing policies. The Investment Adviser is responsible for the oversight of the third party on a day-to-day basis. The Committee and the Investment Adviser perform a series of activities to provide reasonable assurance of the accuracy of prices including: 1) periodic vendor due diligence meetings, review of methodologies, new developments and processes at vendors, 2) daily comparison of security valuation versus prior day for all securities that exceeded established thresholds, and 3) daily review of unpriced, stale, and variance reports with exceptions reviewed by senior management and the Committee.

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The following is a reconciliation of Level 3 assets for which significant unobservable inputs were used to determine fair value:

	Investments in Senior Loans	Total
Balance as of October 31, 2013	\$ 15,488,767	\$ 15,488,767
Cost of purchases		
Proceeds from sales	(3,022,500)	(3,022,500)
Transfers to Level 3		
Transfers from Level 3	(9,086,767)	(9,086,767)
Accrued discount (premium)	8,528	8,528
Realized gains (losses)	59,050	59,050
Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	179,922	179,922
Balance as of July 31, 2014	\$ 3,627,000	\$ 3,627,000
Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on Investments still held as of		
July 31, 2014	\$ 179,922	\$ 179,922

Transfers are reflected at the value of the securities at the beginning of the period. Transfers from Level 3 to Level 2 were due to an increase in the availability of significant observable inputs in determining the fair value of these investments.

For information related to geographical and industry categorization of investments and types of derivative contracts held, please refer to the Schedule of Investments.

Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

(a) The registrant s principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the registrant s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act)) are effective as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this report, based on the evaluation of these controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act and Rule 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

(b) There were no changes in the registrant s internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act) that occurred during the registrant s last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant s internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

Certifications of the principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the 1940 Act are attached hereto as Exhibit 99CERT.

SIGNATURES

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

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By /S/ Randolph Takian Randolph Takian Trustee, Chief Executive Officer and President (Principal Executive Officer)

Date 9/29/14

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

By /S/ Randolph Takian Randolph Takian Trustee, Chief Executive Officer and President (Principal Executive Officer)

Date 9/29/14

By /S/ Stephen M. Atkins
Stephen M. Atkins
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Date 9/29/14