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CQS Natural Resources Growth and Income plc

Task Force for Climate-related Financial Disclosures

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Portfolio Overview

Portfolio Name: CQS Natural Resources Growth and Income plc

About This Report
This report is designed to help give you information about the collective climate impact and risks of the assets held by the Fund. The content is aligned with the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) and complies with the specific sustainability disclosure rules of the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) in the UK.

The Fund/Portfolio

Investment Objective
The objective of the CQS Natural Resources Growth and Income Fund is to provide shareholders with capital growth and income from a portfolio of mining and resource equities and mining, resource, industrial and other fixed interest securities.

Policy
The Fund invests predominantly in mining and resource equities and mining, resource and industrial fixed interest securities. The Company may invest in companies regardless of country, sector or size and the Company's portfolio is constructed without reference to the composition of any stock market index or benchmark. The Fund uses gearing and a current limit that gearing will not exceed 25% of Shareholders' funds at the time of borrowing.

Philosophy
The Fund actively invests in global energy and mining companies, with a focus on total return. It also pays a regular quarterly dividend. The flexible mandate allows the Company to shift its portfolio weighting between energy and mining, with the aim of maximising returns depending on the point in the cycle, whilst providing relative value opportunities.

Climate-related Financial Disclosure

Climate Risk Strategy
Climate change presents both risks and opportunities to the world and to our business which can be systemic and do not exist in isolation. Our assessments of risks and opportunities are part of our fundamental review within our investment analysis; we seek to assess how policy, regulation and, where applicable, physical environmental changes may impact the companies in which we invest. Please see our TCFD Entity-level report for more information.

Climate Risk Management
The firm's Responsible Investment framework is integrated within our wider Investment Risk Framework and enables the identification, assessment and management of climate and wider ESG risks. Metrics such as significant contributors to climate change and ESG laggards are discussed alongside more traditional risk measures to ensure that the portfolios are positioned in line with the funds objectives and risk appetite. Please see our TCFD Entity-level report for more information.

Climate Risk Governance
Governance and responsible investment policy sits with the Responsible Investment Governance Committee ("RIGC"). The RIGC governs the Responsible Investment, Engagement and Shareholder Rights and Stewardship Policies, oversees the Firm's responsible investment approach, processes, systems and reporting and monitors portfolios against their responsible investment commitments and targets. Members also regularly provide insight and reporting on responsible investment and stewardship matters across the Firm. Any key issues are escalated to the Management Committee and Board as necessary. This enables further oversight and escalation with clear accountability. Please see our TCFD Entity-level report for more information.

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Climate Metrics

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Climate Metrics	Portfolio	Data Provider	Unit of Measurement	Coverage
Scope 1 and 2 GHG Emissions	17,456	MSCI	Metric Tons	104.55 %
Scope 3 GHG Emissions	170,836	MSCI	Metric Tons	104.55 %
Total Carbon Emissions	534,522	MSCI	Metric Tons	104.55 %
Total Carbon Footprint	3,053	MSCI	Metric Tons per $1M AUM Contribution	104.55 %
Weighted Average Carbon Intensity	3,414	MSCI	Metric Tons per $1M Sales	104.55 %

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Scenario Analysis

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Scenario Analysis	Portfolio	Data Provider	Coverage
Orderly Transition	-18.07 %	MSCI	14.61 %
Disorderly Transition	-20.94 %	MSCI	14.61 %
Hot House World	-30.80 %	MSCI	14.61 %

Scenario Analysis

To understand how physical and transition risks could affect different sectors in the future, we use climate change analysis scenarios prepared by MSCI. This covers scenarios in three categories: 'orderly', 'disorderly', and 'hot house world'. Each outlines a different possible climate pathway and its likely outcome by 2100.

Summary on how climate change is likely to impact the portfolio

The calculated cVaR considers the cumulative impact of climate change - and the impact of the policy changes that may be implemented to mitigate it - for current fund positioning out to 2100. Portfolio repositioning and potential future diversification of the underlying businesses is not considered and hence it is possible that the number may overstate any realised impact

Significant Drivers of Impact for the Portfolio

The funds mandate specifically aims to give the investor exposure to certain sectors. These sectors are particularly exposed to a range of climate risks which have the potential to adversely impact the underlying positions in a range of temperature scenarios. While physical loss is a factor, policy changes that limit business activity and the cost of transition are the primary drivers of negative value impact.

Although evolving, coverage for the portfolio is a challenge when considering temperature rise scenarios. We have continued, and will continue, to work with third party providers to improve the situation. Current modelling uses the covered portion of the fund as a proxy for the whole fund.

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Key Performance Indicators	Definition
Scope 1 Greenhouse Gas Emissions (Metric Tons)	Direct GHG emissions that occur from sources that are owned or controlled by the company.
Scope 2 Greenhouse Gas Emissions (Metric Tons)	GHG emissions from the generation of purchased electricity consumed by the company.
Scope 3 Greenhouse Gas Emissions (Metric Tons)	GHG emissions that are a consequence of the activities of the company, but occur from sources not owned or controlled by the company.
Total Greenhouse Gas Emissions (Metric Tons)	Total scope 1, 2, and 3.
Total Carbon Footprint (Metric Tons per $1M AUM Contribution)	Total carbon emissions for a portfolio normalized by the market value of the portfolio, express in tons CO2e/$M Sales.
Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Metric Tons per $1M Sales)	Volume of carbon emissions per million dollars of sales (carbon efficiency of a portfolio), expressed in tons CO2e/$M sales.
Orderly transition	Scenarios assume climate policies are introduced earlier and gradually become stricter. In this scenario, worldwide GHG emissions will reach net zero by 2050, and there is a higher likelihood that global warming is likely to be less than 2°C higher than pre-industrial levels. There are two key transition objectives: to Significantly reduce the GHG emissions from the global energy sector (known as decarbonisation) by shifting from burning fossil fuels to using renewable energy, and to electrify energy usage in high carbon-emitting sectors.
Disorderly transition	Scenarios assume climate policies are delayed until after 2030. Because the shift from fossil fuels to renewables remains slow and climate policies are implemented later, with emissions continuing to rise in the meantime, the transition would need to happen from a higher emissions level over a shorter period of time to limit global warming below 2°C. A sharper transition would be less coordinated, more complex and more costly. Physical risks would also be higher than in an Orderly transition.
Hot house world	Scenarios assume that current policies stay the same. Paris Agreement commitments aren't met, and emissions and temperatures continue to rise. This causes severe physical risks, as well as social and economic disruptions. In these scenarios, the temperature will rise to over 3°C by 2100.

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Important information

Carbon Metrics are estimated using scope 1, 2 and 3 available disclosures or proxy estimates based on comparative data from MSCI. For proxy estimates, we apply a waterfall approach which requires a minimum of 10 issuers within the proxy estimate group. If there are not 10 issuers in the proxy estimate group, it changes to a broader category group to increase the number of comparable issuers and continues moving to a broader group until a minimum group size of 10 issuers are obtained or 'sector' level is reached. The order is sub-industry first, then industry, then industry group, then finally sector. Where MSCI data is stale or the proxy estimate is not an appropriate reflection of the issuer, we may implement a carbon emission override to report an issuer's most recent publicly available carbon data or use a more appropriate comparator (using MSCI data) as a proxy estimate. Please note that the WACI score does not include hedges for efficient portfolio management purposes.

Weighted Average Carbon Intensity uses Sales, rather than Revenue, in its calculation methodology in line with our data provider, MSCI.

Carbon Footprint and Absolute Carbon Emissions use EVIC (Enterprise Value Including Cash) in their calculation methodology. Prior to 29 December 2023, CQS used Market Cap in the calculation methodology of these metrics. We changed our methodology to align with industry standard as coverage of the metric had improved.

Reported Emissions Coverage is calculated as a percentage of Fund NAV, excluding ABS and Cash. We use a proxy estimate, sourced from MSCI, where emissions are not reported to increase our coverage to 100%, excluding ABS and Cash.

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