Manulife Investment Management

Investment Policy Statement

Manulife Balanced Income Private Segregated Pool

Investment Objective

Unless otherwise noted, the investment objective of the Underlying Fund is the same or substantially similar as the segregated fund objective.

This Fund aims to generate income and as a secondary objective, to provide the potential for long term capital appreciation by investing its assets in Canadian and/or global fixed income and/or equity, mutual fund or exchange-traded fund securities.

Investment Strategy

This Fund will invest in units of the Manulife Balanced Income Private Trust, a mutual fund trust, or a substantially similar fund (the "Underlying Fund").

The investment strategy of the Underlying Fund is to use an actively managed strategy that tactically allocates among different fixed income and equity asset classes and investment strategies. The tactical asset allocation decisions are made by the portfolio advisor taking into consideration a broad range of fundamental, market and economic variables as well as available yields from securities markets globally. The portfolio advisor will use the various management resources available within the firm to manage the different asset classes and strategies of the Underlying Fund. The Underlying Fund has no restrictions on asset class, market capitalization, industry, sector or geographic mix.

The fixed income portion of the Underlying Fund will typically provide exposure primarily to government, investment grade corporate and non-investment grade corporate (high yield) fixed income securities from Canada and across the globe. The fixed income strategy is managed actively using a multi-faceted approach emphasizing sector, credit and security selection combined with active yield curve and duration management. The Underlying Fund may invest in a broad range of additional securities including emerging markets debt, global preferred securities, bank loans, Tier 1 capital, convertible securities and other fixed income securities.

The equity portion of the Underlying Fund will be managed by investing in companies located in Canada and across the globe emphasizing dividend-paying securities. The equity investments may include, but are not limited to, common shares, preferred shares and units of real estate investment trusts (REITs) and royalty trusts. The Underlying Fund may also invest in other investment funds and exchange-traded funds (ETFs) to gain indirect exposure to markets, sectors or asset classes.

The Underlying Fund may use derivatives such as, but not limited to, futures, options, swaps and forward contracts to gain exposure to securities and asset classes consistent with the objectives of the Underlying Fund, and to hedge portfolio exposure against losses from foreign currency exposure and changes in securities prices.

The Underlying Fund may invest in or use derivatives for hedging and non-hedging purposes in a manner consistent with the investment objective of the Underlying Fund and as permitted by applicable securities legislation or by the exemption described under "Derivatives Relief" in the Prospectus of the Underlying Fund. Derivatives may be used for hedging purposes in the event of significant cash flows into or out of the Underlying Fund and to provide protection for the Underlying Fund. Derivatives may be used for non-hedging purposes in order to invest indirectly in securities or financial markets and to gain exposure to other currencies. You will find more information about derivatives, including the types of derivatives expected to be used by the Underlying Fund, under "Derivative Risk" in the Prospectus of the Underlying Fund.

The Underlying Fund may invest in China A-shares listed and traded on the SSE or SZSE through Stock Connect programs. Please see "Securities Connect Risk" in the Prospectus of the Underlying Fund.

The Underlying Fund may hold a portion of its assets in cash or short-term money market securities for administrative purposes or while searching for investment opportunities and/or due to general market, economic or political conditions.

The Underlying Fund may also invest some or all of its assets in other investment funds, including Underlying Funds and ETFs, that may or may not be managed by the Manager (or one of its affiliates or associates), in order to gain indirect exposure to appropriate markets, sectors or asset classes. The Underlying Fund may invest in investment funds managed by unaffiliated investment managers if there are no suitable investment opportunities in affiliated funds. Underlying Funds will be selected with consideration for the Underlying Fund's investment objective and strategies, past performance and volatility, among other factors. Please see "Investments in Underlying Funds" in the Prospectus of the Underlying Fund.

The Underlying Fund may also enter into securities lending, repurchase and reverse repurchase transactions to generate additional income and/or as a short-term cash management tool. For more information see "Securities Lending, Repurchase and Reverse Repurchase Transaction Risk" in the Prospectus of the Underlying Fund.

Risks

Where a segregated fund invests in units of an underlying fund, the segregated fund may be exposed to the risks associated with the underlying fund. Below is a list of principal risks for the underlying mutual fund(s) in which the Segregated Fund invests. For complete definitions of each principal risk, as well as risks common to all underlying mutual funds, refer to the general section of the mutual fund Prospectus.

- · Asset-Backed and Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk
- · Bail-In Debt Risk
- · Capital Depletion Risk
- Counterparty Risk
- · Credit Risk
- · Currency Risk
- Default Risk
- Derivative Risk
- · Emerging Markets Risk
- Equity Risk
- ETF Risk
- · Floating Rate Loan Liquidity Risk

- · Foreign Investment Risk
- Income Trust Risk
- · Interest Rate Risk
- Multiple Series Risk
- Prepayment Risk
- · Real Estate Risk
- · Securities Connect Risk
- Securities Lending, Repurchase and Reverse Repurchase Transaction Risk
- · Substantial Securityholder Risk
- Tax Risk
- Underlying Fund Risk

For more information on the strategies, as well as objectives and risks of the underlying fund(s) in which the Segregated Fund invests, please refer to the Prospectus of the underlying fund(s) or contact us for a printed copy.

Where can I get more information or help?

For more information, please read the Information Folder and Contract, or you may contact us at:

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For information about additional protection that is available for all life insurance contractholders, contact Assuris, a company established by the Canadian life insurance industry. See **www.assuris.ca** for details.

For information regarding how to contact the insurance regulator in your province, visit the Canadian Council of Insurance Regulators website at **www.ccir-ccrra.org**.

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