

Yield

Growth

Quality



2009 Annual Report

November 30, 2009



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Tortoise Energy Infrastructure Corp. (NYSE: TYG) is a pioneering closed-end investment company investing primarily in equity securities of publicly-traded Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs) operating energy infrastructure assets.

#### **Investment Goals: Yield, Growth and Quality**

TYG seeks a high level of total return with an emphasis on current distributions paid to stockholders.

In seeking to achieve **yield**, we target distributions to our stockholders that are roughly equal to the underlying yield on a direct investment in MLPs. In order to accomplish this, we maintain our strategy of investing primarily in energy infrastructure MLPs with attractive current yields and growth potential.

We seek to achieve distribution **growth** as revenues of our underlying companies grow with the economy, with the population and through rate increases. This revenue growth generally leads to increased operating profits, and when combined with internal expansion projects and acquisitions, is expected to provide attractive growth in distributions to us. We also seek distribution growth through capital market strategies involving timely debt and equity offerings by us that are typically primarily invested in MLP issuer direct placements.

TYG seeks to achieve **quality** by investing in companies operating energy infrastructure assets that are critical to the U.S. economy. Often these assets would be difficult to replicate. We also back experienced management teams with successful track records. By investing in us, our stockholders have access to a portfolio that is diversified through geographic regions and across product lines, including natural gas, natural gas liquids, crude oil and refined products.

#### **About Energy Infrastructure Master Limited Partnerships**

MLPs are limited partnerships whose units trade on public exchanges such as the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), the NYSE Alternext US and NASDAQ. Buying MLP units makes an investor a limited partner in the MLP. There are currently approximately 70 MLPs in the market, mostly in industries related to energy and natural resources.

We primarily invest in MLPs and their affiliates in the energy infrastructure sector. Energy infrastructure MLPs are engaged in the transportation, storage and processing of crude oil, natural gas and refined products from production points to the end users. Our investments are primarily in mid-stream (mostly pipeline) operations, which typically produce steady cash flows with less exposure to commodity prices than many alternative investments in the broader energy industry. With the growth potential of this sector along with our disciplined investment approach, we endeavor to generate a predictable and increasing distribution stream for our investors.

#### A TYG Investment Versus a Direct Investment in MLPs

We provide our stockholders an alternative to investing directly in MLPs and their affiliates. A direct MLP investment potentially offers an attractive distribution with a significant portion treated as return of capital, and a historically low correlation to returns on stocks and bonds. However, the tax characteristics of a direct MLP investment are generally undesirable for tax-exempt investors such as retirement plans. We are structured as a C Corporation – accruing federal and state income taxes, based on taxable earnings and profits. Because of this innovative structure, pioneered by Tortoise Capital Advisors, institutions and retirement accounts are able to join individual stockholders as investors in MLPs.

Additional features include:

- One Form 1099 per stockholder at the end of the year, thus avoiding multiple K-1s and multiple state filings for individual partnership investments;
- A professional management team, with nearly 100 years combined investment experience, to select and manage the portfolio on your behalf;
- The ability to access investment grade credit markets to enhance stockholder return; and
- Access to direct placements and other investments not available through the public markets.

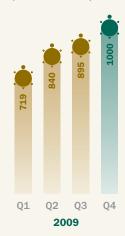
#### **Allocation of Portfolio Assets**

November 30, 2009 (Unaudited)

(Percentages based on total investment portfolio)

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|---|--------------|-----------|----|----|------|------|----|
| Crude/Refined Products Pipelines          |              |           |    |    | 4    | 13.8 |    |
| Natural Gas/Natural Gas Liquids Pipelines |              |           |    |    | 38.7 |      |    |
| Natural Gas Gathering/Processing          |              | 11.0      |    |    |      |      |    |
| Propane Distribution                      |              | 6.1       |    |    |      |      |    |
| Shipping                                  | 0.4          |           |    |    |      |      |    |
|   | 0            | 10        | 20 | 30 | 40   | 50   | 60 |

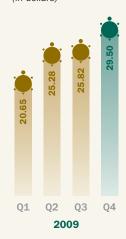
**Total Assets** (dollars in millions)



**Common Dividends** (in dollars)



Closing Stock Price (in dollars)



# YIELD



Target attractive current distributions paid to stockholders

## GROWTH



An industry with real, hard assets and increasing demand from economic and population growth

January 28, 2010

## DEAR FELLOW STOCKHOLDERS,

We have frequently reflected on the stable, defensive nature of the MLP sector. As we've said in the past, this stability ultimately stems from the fee-based nature and relatively inelastic demand for the essential services provided – transportation, storage and processing of energy commodities that are critical to the normal functioning of a modern, industrialized civilization. In this respect, our conviction in the MLP asset class has grown as we've watched our portfolio companies continue to prosper through these difficult times.

## Master Limited Partnership Investment Overview and Outlook

Entering 2009, we believed MLP stock prices offered extremely good values. This thesis has proven to be correct, with the Tortoise MLP Index achieving a total return performance of 78 percent through the year ended Dec. 31, 2009. We attribute this robust performance to resilient MLP business fundamentals, the elimination of acute technical selling pressure from hedge fund redemptions and the unwinding of the total return swap market in the fall of 2008, increased economic optimism which resulted in a general tightening of yield spreads across the board and improved capital markets. While a strong rebound occurred for energy MLPs in 2009, we believe energy MLP valuations remain attractive relative to 10-year historical yields.

In 2010, we expect the performance of petroleum crude oil and refined products pipelines to remain steady based on their fee-based model. We expect liquids and natural gas pipelines to continue to exhibit stable cash flow with modest growth as these companies offer low commodity price exposure, modest leverage ratios, ample liquidity and adequate distribution coverage. We believe gathering and processing business fundamentals will benefit from a higher commodity price environment and will continue to stabilize as the economy improves.

More than \$40 billion has been invested in MLP organic growth projects in the past 5 years, largely to provide additional pipeline takeaway capacity from new supply basins to demand centers. We believe that this growth, along with acquisition activity and open capital markets, supports MLP distribution growth in the range of three to five percent in 2010.

#### **Performance Review and Guidance**

Our total assets increased from \$692 million on Nov. 30, 2008 to \$1 billion on Nov. 30, 2009. This increase resulted primarily from the increase in the value of our investments. TYG's total return based on market value, including the reinvestment of distributions, was 16.5 percent for the fourth fiscal quarter, and 88.9 percent for the twelve months ended Nov. 30, 2009.

We paid a distribution of \$0.54 per common share (\$2.16 annualized) to our stockholders on Nov. 30, 2009, unchanged from the previous quarter. This represented an annualized yield of 7.3 percent based on the closing price of \$29.50 on Nov. 30, 2009. We expect to maintain a quarterly distribution rate of \$0.54 per share during fiscal year 2010. Our payout ratio of distributions to distributable cash flow (DCF) for the year ended Nov. 30, 2009 was 97.5 percent, which is in line with our expectations to pay out at least 95 percent of DCF to stockholders annually. For tax purposes, 100 percent of distributions paid in fiscal year 2009 were treated as return of capital.



Strategic asset selection of stable recurring revenue streams by an experienced management team



We believe, in the longer term, distribution growth will return for our stockholders and we will manage toward that goal. Distributions paid to our stockholders depend on the performance of our investments, our costs and amount of leverage and other operating expenses.

#### **Common Stock Offering**

In January 2010, we raised \$80 million, net of our expenses, by issuing 2,750,000 shares of TYG common stock at \$30.50 per share. With proceeds from this equity offering we can provide new capital to the MLP sector and support key acquisitions and infrastructure build-out projects. This transaction was immediately accretive to current stockholders on a NAV basis and increases stock trading float. We believe the returns that can be earned from these proceeds by investments in MLPs will provide, over the long term, growth in distributions and value to all stockholders.

#### **Leverage Review**

In employing leverage, including bank debt, senior notes and preferred stock, we seek to increase long-term return to our stockholders. The severe downturn in the capital markets during the fall of 2008, and resulting decline in market value of our assets, caused us to sell assets and reduce our debt by \$150 million. This allowed us to remain in compliance with our leverage terms, but our distributions were negatively impacted by these actions.

Our long-term leverage target is now 25 percent of total assets at the time of incurrence. This target was previously 33 percent. Our combined leverage as of Dec. 31, 2009 was 23.5 percent, slightly below our long-term leverage target, and we do not believe further redemptions of leverage will be necessary.

#### Conclusion

We believe MLPs offer the reliability of fee-based cash flows, long-term contracts and insulation from the volatility of the energy commodities that they transport. Given their current yield, growth prospects, and demonstrated resilient business models, we believe MLPs are positioned for strength in the coming year.

Thank you for your continued confidence. We look forward to a promising 2010.

Sincerely, The Managing Directors Tortoise Capital Advisors, L.L.C. The adviser to Tortoise Energy Infrastructure Corp.

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### KEY FINANCIAL DATA (Supplemental Unaudited Information)

(dollar amounts in thousands unless otherwise indicated)

The information presented below regarding Distributable Cash Flow and Selected Operating Ratios is supplemental non-GAAP financial information, which we believe is meaningful to understanding our operating performance. The Selected Operating Ratios are the functional equivalent of EBITDA for non-investment companies, and we believe they are an important supplemental measure of performance and promote comparisons from period-to-period. Supplemental non-GAAP measures should be read in conjunction with our full financial statements.

|   | Year Ended | November 30, | 2008                     |                          | 2                        | 009               |                   |
|---|------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|   | 2008       | 2009         | <b>Q4</b> <sup>(1)</sup> | <b>Q1</b> <sup>(1)</sup> | <b>Q2</b> <sup>(1)</sup> | Q3 <sup>(1)</sup> | Q4 <sup>(1)</sup> |
| Total Distributions Received from Investments                   |            |              |                          |                          |                          |                   |                   |
| Distributions received from master limited partnerships         | \$72,930   | \$66,977     | \$17,210                 | \$16,271                 | \$16,498                 | \$16,554          | \$17,654          |
| Dividends paid in stock   | 11,724     | 10,306       | 2,833                    | 2,860                    | 2,767                    | 2,836             | 1,843             |
| Dividends from common stock                                     | 78         | -            | 14                       | -                        | -                        | -                 | _                 |
| Short-term interest and dividend income                         | 344        | 9            | 47                       | 6                        | 3                        |                   |                   |
| Total from investments  | 85,076     | 77,292       | 20,104                   | 19,137                   | 19,268                   | 19,390            | 19,497            |
| <b>Operating Expenses Before Leverage Costs and Current Tax</b> | (es        |              |                          |                          |                          |                   |                   |
| Advisory fees, net of expense reimbursement                     | 9,352      | 7,518        | 1,764                    | 1,413                    | 1,769                    | 2,083             | 2,253             |
| Other operating expenses  | 1,540      | 1,293        | 483                      | 298                      | 317                      | 340               | 338               |
|   | 10,892     | 8,811        | 2,247                    | 1,711                    | 2,086                    | 2,423             | 2,591             |
| Distributable cash flow before leverage costs and current taxes | 74,184     | 68,481       | 17,857                   | 17,426                   | 17,182                   | 16,967            | 16,906            |
| Leverage costs <sup>(2)</sup>                                   | 27,416     | 16,067       | 4,968                    | 3,962                    | 4,019                    | 4,058             | 4,028             |
| Current income tax expense                                      | 828        | 93           | 224                      | 20                       | 22                       | 25                | 26                |
| Distributable Cash Flow <sup>(3)</sup>                          | \$45,940   | \$52,321     | \$12,665                 | \$13,444                 | \$13,141                 | \$12,884          | \$12,852          |
| Distributions paid on common stock                              | \$48,536   | \$51,017     | \$13,128                 | \$12,659                 | \$12,659                 | \$12,752          | \$12,947          |
| Distributions paid on common stock per share                    | 2.2325     | 2.1600       | 0.5600                   | 0.5400                   | 0.5400                   | 0.5400            | 0.5400            |
| Payout percentage for period <sup>(4)</sup>                     | 105.7%     | 97.5%        |                          |                          |                          | 99.0%             | 100.7%            |
| Net realized gain (loss), net of income taxes                   | (7,847)    | 8,318        | (13,412)                 | (7,777)                  | (451)                    | 5,128             | 11,418            |
| Total assets, end of period                                     | 692,183    | 1,000,278    | 692,183                  | 719,479                  | 840,247                  | 895,475           | 1,000,278         |
| Average total assets during period <sup>(5)</sup>               | 1,115,737  | 823,171      | 897,579                  | 699,809                  | 762,040                  | 878,521           | 948,734           |
| Leverage (long-term debt obligations, preferred stock           |            |              |                          |                          |                          |                   |                   |
| and short-term borrowings) <sup>(6)</sup>                       | 280,000    | 250,400      | 280,000                  | 260,250                  | 247,500                  | 244,400           | 250,400           |
| Leverage as a percent of total assets                           | 40.5%      | 25.0%        | 40.5 %                   | 36.2%                    | 29.5%                    | 27.3%             | 25.0%             |
| Unrealized appreciation (depreciation), net of income taxes,    |            |              |                          |                          |                          |                   |                   |
| end of period   | (24,824)   | 218,575      | (24,824)                 | 25,452                   | 115,053                  | 152,114           | 218,575           |
| Net assets, end of period                                       | 407,031    | 613,601      | 407,031                  | 433,698                  | 510,535                  | 542,223           | 613,601           |
| Average net assets during period <sup>(7)</sup>                 | 573,089    | 500,661      | 466,664                  | 422,065                  | 458,511                  | 533,801           | 587,503           |
| Net asset value per common share                                | 17.36      | 25.53        | 17.36                    | 18.50                    | 21.78                    | 22.92             | 25.53             |
| Market value per share  | 17.11      | 29.50        | 17.11                    | 20.65                    | 25.28                    | 25.82             | 29.50             |
| Shares outstanding  | 23,442,791 | 24,037,087   | 23,442,791               | 23,442,791               | 23,442,791               | 23,659,394        | 24,037,087        |
| Selected Operating Ratios <sup>(8)</sup>                        |            |              |                          |                          |                          |                   |                   |
| As a Percent of Average Total Assets                            |            |              |                          |                          |                          |                   |                   |
| Total distributions received from investments                   | 7.63 %     | 9.39%        |                          |                          |                          | 8.76%             | 8.24%             |
| Operating expenses before leverage costs and current taxes      | 0.98%      | 1.07%        | 1.01%                    |                          | 1.09%                    | 1.09%             | 1.10%             |
| Distributable cash flow before leverage costs and current taxes | 6.65%      | 8.32 %       | 8.00%                    | 10.10%                   | 8.94%                    | 7.67%             | 7.14%             |
| As a Percent of Average Net Assets                              |            |              |                          | (                        |                          |                   |                   |
| Distributable cash flow <sup>(3)</sup>                          | 8.02 %     | 10.45%       | 10.92 %                  | 12.92 %                  | 11.37%                   | 9.58%             | 8.77%             |

(1) Q1 is the period from December through February. Q2 is the period from March through May.

Q3 is the period from June through August. Q4 is the period from September through November.
(2) Leverage costs include interest expense, recurring agent fees, interest rate swap expenses and distributions to preferred stockholders.

(3) "Net investment income (loss), before income taxes" on the Statement of Operations is adjusted as follows to reconcile to Distributable Cash Flow (DCF): increased by the return of capital on MLP distributions and the value of paid-in-kind distributions, premium on redemption of long-term debt obligations, non-recurring agent fees and amortization of debt issuance costs; and decreased by distributions to preferred stockholders, current taxes paid, and realized and unrealized gains (losses) on interest rate swap settlements. (4) Distributions paid as a percentage of Distributable Cash Flow.

(5) Computed by averaging month-end values within each period.

(6) The balance on the short-term credit facility was \$10,400,000 as of November 30, 2009.

(7) Computed by averaging daily values within each period.

(8) Annualized for periods less than one full year. Operating ratios contained in our Financial Highlights are based on net assets and include current and deferred income tax expense and leverage costs.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION (Unaudited)

The information contained in this section should be read in conjunction with our Financial Statements and the Notes thereto. In addition, this report contains certain forward-looking statements. These statements include the plans and objectives of management for future operations and financial objectives and can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may," "will," "expect," "intend," "anticipate," "estimate," or "continue" or the negative thereof or other variations thereon or comparable terminology. These forward-looking statements are subject to the inherent uncertainties in predicting future results and conditions. Certain factors that could cause actual results and conditions to differ materially from those projected in these forward-looking statements are set forth in the "Risk Factors" section of our public filings with the SEC.

#### **Overview**

Tortoise Energy Infrastructure Corp's (the "Company") goal is to provide a stable and growing distribution stream to our investors. We seek to provide our stockholders with an efficient vehicle to invest in the energy infrastructure sector. While we are a registered investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), we are not a "regulated investment company" for federal tax purposes. Our distributions do not generate unrelated business taxable income (UBTI) and our stock may therefore be suitable for holding by pension funds, IRAs and mutual funds, as well as taxable accounts. We invest primarily in MLPs through private and public market purchases. MLPs are publicly traded partnerships whose equity interests are traded in the form of units on public exchanges, such as the NYSE or NASDAQ.

#### **Company Update**

Market values of our MLP investments increased during 4th quarter 2009 from their levels at August 31, 2009. This had a positive impact on our capital structure and increased the existing cushion on our leverage coverage ratios, while also increasing asset-based expenses. Subsequent to our fiscal year end, we completed the redemption of all our remaining auction rate securities, issued private placement notes and completed a public offering of Mandatory Redeemable Preferred ("MRP") stock. In addition, we established a lower leverage target of up to 25 percent of total assets at the time of incurrence and provided guidance that we expect to maintain a \$0.54 quarterly distribution for fiscal year 2010. Additional information on these events and results of our operations are discussed in more detail below.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The financial statements are based on the selection and application of critical accounting policies, which require management to make significant estimates and assumptions. Critical accounting policies are those that are both important to the presentation of our financial condition and results of operations and require management's most difficult, complex, or subjective judgments. Our critical accounting policies are those applicable to the valuation of investments, tax matters and certain revenue recognition matters as discussed in Note 2 in the Notes to Financial Statements.

#### **Determining Distributions to Stockholders**

Our portfolio generates cash flow from which we pay distributions to stockholders. Our Board of Directors considers our distributable cash flow ("DCF") in determining distributions to stockholders. Our Board of Directors reviews the distribution rate quarterly, and may adjust the quarterly distribution throughout the year. Our goal is to declare what we believe to be sustainable increases in our regular quarterly distributions. We have targeted to pay at least 95 percent of DCF on an annualized basis.

#### **Determining DCF**

DCF is simply distributions received from investments less expenses. The total distributions received from our investments include the amount received by us as cash distributions from MLPs, paid-in-kind distributions, and dividend and interest payments. The total expenses include current or anticipated operating expenses, leverage costs and current income taxes. Each are summarized for you in the table on page 3 and are discussed in more detail below.

The Key Financial Data table discloses the calculation of DCF and should be read in conjunction with this discussion. The difference between distributions received from investments in the DCF calculation and total investment income as reported in the Statement of Operations, is reconciled as follows: GAAP recognizes that a significant portion of the cash distributions received from MLPs are characterized as a return of capital and therefore excluded from investment income, whereas the DCF calculation includes the return of capital; and distributions received from investments in the DCF calculation include the value of dividends paid-in-kind (additional stock or MLP units), whereas such amounts are not included as income for GAAP purposes. The treatment of expenses in the DCF calculation also differs from what is reported in the Statement of Operations. In addition to the total operating expenses as disclosed in the Statement of Operations, the DCF calculation reflects interest expense, recurring agent fees, distributions to preferred stockholders as well as current taxes paid.

#### **Distributions Received from Investments**

Our ability to generate cash is dependent on the ability of our portfolio of investments to generate cash flow from their operations. In order to maintain and grow distributions to our stockholders, we evaluate each holding based upon its contribution to our investment income, our expectation for its growth rate, and its risk relative to other potential investments.

We concentrate on MLPs we believe can expect an increasing demand for services from economic and population growth. We seek well-managed businesses with hard assets and stable recurring revenue streams. Our focus remains primarily on investing in fee-based service providers that operate long-haul, interstate pipelines. We further diversify among issuers, geographies and energy commodities to seek a distribution payment which approximates an investment directly in energy infrastructure MLPs. In addition, most energy infrastructure companies are regulated and utilize an inflation escalator index that factors in inflation as a cost pass-through. So, over the long-term, we believe MLPs' distributions will outpace inflation and interest rate increases, and produce positive returns.



## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION (Unaudited)

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Total distributions received from our investments for the 4th quarter 2009 was approximately \$19.5 million, representing a 3 percent decrease as compared to 4th quarter 2008 and a 1 percent increase as compared to 3rd quarter 2009. These changes reflect the result of portfolio sales late in the 4th quarter 2008 to fund leverage reduction and net distribution increases from our MLP investments.

#### **Expenses**

We incur two types of expenses: (1) operating expenses, consisting primarily of the advisory fee; and (2) leverage costs. On a percentage basis, operating expenses before leverage costs and current taxes were an annualized 1.10 percent of average total assets for the 4th quarter 2009 as compared to 1.01 percent for the 4th quarter 2008 and 1.09 percent for the 3rd quarter 2009. The increase of 0.09 percent from 2008 is due to the expiration of the 0.10 percent expense reimbursement earlier this year. Advisory fees for the 4th quarter 2009 increased 8 percent from 3rd quarter 2009 as a result of increased average managed assets from increasing MLP asset values. If yields on our MLP investments continue to revert more to their historical norm, all else being equal, MLP asset values will increase as will our managed assets and advisory fees. Other operating expenses were relatively unchanged as compared to 3rd quarter 2009.

Leverage costs consist of three major components: (1) the direct interest expense on our Tortoise Notes and short-term credit facility; (2) the agent fees, which are the marketing and rating agency costs for the leverage; and (3) distributions to preferred stockholders.

Total leverage costs for DCF purposes were approximately \$4.0 million for the 4th quarter 2009 as compared to \$5.0 million for the 4th quarter 2008 and \$4.1 million for the 3rd quarter 2009, as detailed in the following table.

|  |      | 4Q 08   |      | 3Q 09   | 4Q 09           |
|--|------|---------|------|---------|-----------------|
| Interest expense   | \$3, | 771,701 | \$2, | 897,809 | \$<br>2,880,185 |
| Agent fees   |      | 78,578  |      | 41,803  | 41,649          |
| Distributions to preferred stockholders  | 1,   | 117,970 | 1,   | 118,066 | 1,105,916       |
| Total leverage costs   | \$4, | 968,249 | \$4, | 057,678 | \$<br>4,027,750 |
| Average outstanding leverage (in millions)<br>Average annualized total cost of<br>leverage (total leverage costs divided | \$   | 318.0   | \$   | 257.4   | \$<br>252.0     |
| by average outstanding leverage)   |      | 6.28%   |      | 6.25%   | 6.41%           |

The decrease in total leverage costs from 4th quarter 2008 to 4th quarter 2009 reflects the reduction in average outstanding leverage of approximately \$66 million during the period. The increase in average annualized total cost of leverage from 3rd quarter 2009 to 4th quarter 2009 reflects the decreased utilization of our lower cost bank credit facility during 4th quarter 2009.

Our effective cost of longer-term fixed-rate leverage as of November 30, 2009 was 6.31 percent. This rate does not include balances on our bank line of credit which accrue interest at a variable rate equal to one-month LIBOR plus 2.00 percent. As a result of the redemption of our auction rate securities and the issuance of private placement notes and MRP stock, our effective cost of longer-term fixed-rate

leverage was reduced to 5.92 percent. Our all-in financing rate may vary in future periods as our leverage matures or is redeemed. Additional information on our leverage and refinancing activity is disclosed below in Liquidity and Capital Resources and in our Notes to Financial Statements.

#### **Distributable Cash Flow**

For 4th quarter 2009, our DCF was approximately \$12.9 million, an increase of 1.5 percent as compared to 4th quarter 2008 and a slight decrease as compared to 3rd quarter 2009. The increase from 4th quarter 2008 is the net result of lower total distributions received from investments which were more than offset by reduced expenses, primarily leverage costs. The slight decrease from 3rd quarter 2009 reflects an increase in distributions received from investments offset primarily by an increase in asset-based advisory fees. We declared and paid a distribution of \$12.9 million, or 100.7 percent of DCF, during the quarter. On a per share basis, we declared a \$0.54 distribution on November 9, 2009. This is a decrease of \$0.02 as compared to 4th quarter 2008 and unchanged from 3rd quarter 2009. For the fiscal year ended November 30, 2009, we paid a total distribution of \$2.16 per share representing 97.5 percent of DCF.

Market values of our assets and asset-based expenses have increased more than the distributions from our MLPs this year, eroding the cushion we built into our distribution payout percentage in early 2009. Factoring in moderate increases in projected distribution income from MLPs, projected expenses and our desire to reestablish a cushion in our distribution payout percentage, we expect to maintain quarterly distributions to our stockholders of \$0.54 per share during 2010.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

We had total assets of \$1 billion at year end. Our total assets reflect the value of our investments, which are itemized in the Schedule of Investments. It also reflects cash, interest and other receivables and any expenses that may have been prepaid. During 4th quarter 2009, total assets increased from approximately \$895 million to \$1 billion, an increase of \$105 million. This change was primarily the result of an increase in realized and unrealized gain on investments of approximately \$93 million during the quarter (excluding return of capital on distributions received during the quarter). In addition, we issued 243,100 shares of common stock during the quarter under our at-the-market equity program for net proceeds of approximately \$6.3 million. These proceeds were primarily used to reduce the outstanding balance on our bank credit facility.

Total leverage outstanding at November 30, 2009 of \$250.4 million is comprised of \$170 million in senior notes, \$70 million in preferred shares and \$10.4 million outstanding under the credit facility. Total leverage represented 25.0 percent of total assets at November 30, 2009, as compared to 27.3 percent as of August 31, 2009 and 40.5 percent as of November 30, 2008. Subsequent to year end, we established a new long-term leverage target ratio of up to 25 percent of total assets at time of incurrence, a reduction from our previous target ratio of 33 percent. Further, temporary increases of up to 30 percent of our total assets may be permitted, provided that such leverage is consistent with the limits set forth in the 1940 Act, and that such leverage is expected to be reduced over time in an orderly

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION (Unaudited)

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fashion to reach our long-term target. Our leverage ratio is impacted by increases or decreases in MLP values, issuance of equity and/or the sale of securities where proceeds are used to reduce leverage.

Subsequent to year end, we completed the refinancing of all our remaining auction rate leverage. On December 14, 2009, we issued 6,500,000 MRP shares with a liquidation value of \$10.00 per share. On December 21, 2009, we issued an additional 800,000 MRP shares pursuant to the exercise of the over-allotment option, resulting in a total of \$73 million liquidation value of MRP stock outstanding. The MRP stock is mandatorily redeemable on December 31, 2019 and pays a monthly distribution at an annual rate of 6.25 percent. The MRP stock is listed on the NYSE under the symbol TYG Pr A and is rated AA and A1 by Fitch Ratings and Moody's Investor Services, Inc., respectively. On December 21, 2009, we used the proceeds from the MRP stock issuance to redeem our \$70 million of auction rate preferred shares. The auction rate preferred shares had been in a special rate period since September 2007.

On December 21, 2009, we issued \$59,975,000 aggregate amount of private placement notes. The \$29,975,000 Series F Notes carry a fixed interest rate of 4.50 percent and mature on December 21, 2012. The \$30,000,000 Series G Notes carry a fixed interest rate of 5.85 percent and mature on December 21, 2016. Proceeds from these issuances were used to redeem the \$60,000,000 Series A auction rate notes on December 21, 2009. The Series A Notes had been in a special rate period since September 2007.

As a result of these transactions, we no longer have any outstanding auction rate securities. Our longer-term leverage (excluding our bank credit facility) of \$242,975,000 is comprised of 70 percent private placement debt and 30 percent publicly traded preferred equity with a weighted average fixed rate of 5.92 percent and weighted average laddered maturity of approximately 6.7 years.

We have used leverage to acquire MLPs consistent with our investment philosophy. The terms of our leverage are governed by regulatory and contractual asset coverage requirements that arise from the use of leverage. Under the 1940 Act, we may not pay distributions to our common stockholders if we do not meet a 300 percent asset coverage ratio for debt and 200 percent asset coverage ratio for debt and preferred shares after payment of the distribution, and we may not pay distributions on our preferred shares if we fail to meet a 200 percent asset coverage ratio on our debt. Under the agreement with our bank lenders, if portfolio values decline such that we no longer meet the asset coverage ratios under the 1940 Act, we must repay a portion of our bank line until we meet the coverage requirement. Further, under the terms of our institutional senior notes and preferred shares, if we fail to meet basic maintenance ratios as of any valuation date (generally Fridays) or fail to satisfy the 1940 Act asset coverage as of the last business day of any month, we could be subject to mandatory redemption of the senior notes or preferred shares if such failure is not waived or cured. In some cases we may be delayed in paying common stock or preferred share distributions until such coverage ratios can be met.

As disclosed in Section 18 of the 1940 Act, the 300 percent asset coverage ratio for debt is equal to total assets less all liabilities and indebtedness not represented by debt divided by debt. The 200 percent asset coverage ratio for preferred shares is equal to the same numerator as the 300 percent test divided by the sum of debt and preferred shares. Deferred tax assets, if any, are a component of total assets in calculation of these ratios. Our coverage ratios are updated each week and available on our web site at www.tortoiseadvisors.com.

#### **Taxation of our Distributions and Deferred Taxes**

We invest in partnerships which generally have larger distributions of cash than the accounting income which they generate. Accordingly, the distributions include a return of capital component for accounting and tax purposes. Distributions declared and paid by us in a year generally differ from taxable income for that year, as such distributions may include the distribution of current year taxable income or return of capital.

The taxability of the distribution you receive depends on whether we have annual earnings and profits. If so, those earnings and profits are first allocated to the preferred shares and then to the common shares.

In the event we have earnings and profits allocated to our common shares, all or a portion of our distribution will be taxable at the 15 percent Qualified Dividend Income ("QDI") rate, assuming various holding requirements are met by the stockholder. The 15 percent QDI rate is currently effective through 2010. The portion of our distribution that is taxable may vary for either of two reasons: first, the characterization of the distributions we receive from MLPs could change annually based upon the K-1 allocations and result in less return of capital and more in the form of income. Second, we could sell an MLP investment and realize a gain or loss at any time. It is for these reasons that we inform you of the tax treatment after the close of each year as the ultimate characterization of our distributions is undeterminable until the year is over.

For book and tax purposes, distributions to stockholders for the fiscal year ended 2009 were comprised of 100 percent return of capital. This information will be reported to stockholders on Form 1099-DIV and is available on our web site at www.tortoiseadvisors.com.

The unrealized gain or loss we have in the portfolio is reflected in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. At November 30, 2009, our investments are valued at \$999 million, with an adjusted cost of \$647 million. The \$352 million difference reflects unrealized appreciation that would be realized for financial statement purposes if those investments were sold at those values. The Statement of Assets and Liabilities reflects either a deferred tax liability or deferred tax asset depending upon unrealized gains (losses) on investments, realized gains (losses) on investments and net operating losses. At November 30, 2009, the balance sheet reflects a deferred tax liability of approximately \$133 million or \$5.55 per share. Details of our deferred taxes are disclosed in Note 5 in our Notes to Financial Statements.



## Schedule of Investments

November 30, 2009

|  | Shares                       | Fair Value               |
|--|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Master Limited Partnerships and  |                              |                          |
| Related Companies — 162.7% <sup>(1)</sup>  |                              |                          |
| Crude/Refined Products Pipelines —   | <b>71.3</b> % <sup>(1)</sup> |                          |
| United States – 71.3% <sup>(1)</sup>   |                              |                          |
| Buckeye Partners, L.P.   | 781,713                      | \$ 41,196,275            |
| Enbridge Energy Partners, L.P.   | 1,612,376                    | 79,474,013               |
| Holly Energy Partners, L.P.  | 544,000                      | 19,964,800               |
| Kinder Morgan Management, LLC <sup>(2)</sup>   | 1,651,327                    | 83,012,208               |
| Magellan Midstream Partners, L.P.  | 1,579,000                    | 64,896,900               |
| NuStar Energy L.P.   | 761,200                      | 39,924,940               |
| Plains All American Pipeline, L.P.   | 1,167,300                    | 59,065,380               |
| SemGroup Energy Partners, L.P. <sup>(3)</sup>  | 342,162                      | 3,216,323                |
| Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P.   | 754,700                      | 46,602,725               |
|  |                              | 437,353,564              |
| Natural Gas/Natural Gas Liquids Pipe   | lines — 62.9%                | 1)                       |
| United States – 62.9% <sup>(1)</sup>   |                              |                          |
| Boardwalk Pipeline Partners, LP  | 1,703,600                    | 48,092,628               |
| Duncan Energy Partners L.P.  | 482,640                      | 10,844,921               |
| El Paso Pipeline Partners, L.P.  | 1,412,150                    | 33,467,955               |
| Energy Transfer Equity, L.P.   | 554,110                      | 16,346,245               |
| Energy Transfer Partners, L.P.   | 1,799,903                    | 77,917,802               |
| Enterprise Products Partners L.P.  | 3,097,300                    | 92,268,567               |
| -  |                              | 92,208,507<br>34,580,148 |
| ONEOK Partners, L.P.   | 589,200                      |                          |
| Spectra Energy Partners, LP  | 493,020                      | 13,671,445               |
| TC PipeLines, LP   | 1,142,200                    | 41,336,218               |
| Williams Pipeline Partners L.P.  | 802,865                      | 17,542,600               |
|  |                              | 386,068,528              |
| Natural Gas Gathering/Processing —   | <b>18.0</b> % <sup>(1)</sup> |                          |
| United States – 18.0% <sup>(1)</sup>   |                              |                          |
| Copano Energy, L.L.C.  | 713,700                      | 14,416,740               |
| Copano Energy, L.L.C. <sup>(3)(4)</sup>  | 285,740                      | 5,594,789                |
| DCP Midstream Partners, LP   | 1,041,071                    | 26,172,525               |
|  | 1,066,900                    | 27,365,985               |
| MarkWest Energy Partners, L.P.   | 4 0 4 7 0 0 0                | 22 025 040               |
| <b>.</b>   | 1,647,900                    | 32,925,042               |
| Markwest Energy Partners, L.P.<br>Targa Resources Partners LP<br>Western Gas Partners LP | 1,647,900<br>205,075         | 3,986,658                |

|  | Shares           | Fair Value  |
|--|------------------|---|
| Propane Distribution — 9.9% <sup>(1)</sup><br>United States – 9.9% <sup>(1)</sup><br>Inergy, L.P.  | 1,839,398        | \$ 60,810,498   |
| Shipping — 0.6% <sup>(1)</sup><br>Republic of the Marshall Islands – 0.6% <sup>(1)</sup><br>Teekay LNG Partners L.P.   | 156,200          | 3,805,032   |
| Total Master Limited Partnerships and<br>Related Companies (Cost \$646,859,284)  |                  | 998,499,361   |
| Short-Term Investment — 0.0% <sup>(1)</sup>  |                  |   |
| <b>United States Investment Company – 0.0%</b> <sup>(1)</sup><br>Fidelity Institutional Government<br>Portfolio – Class I, 0.07% <sup>(5)</sup> (Cost \$44,887)  | 44,887           | 44,887  |
| Total Investments — 162.7% <sup>(1)</sup><br>(Cost \$646,904,171)<br>Other Assets and Liabilities – $(23.6\%)^{(1)}$<br>Long-Term Debt Obligations – $(27.7\%)^{(1)}$<br>Preferred Shares at Redemption Value – $(11.4\%)$ | ) <sup>(1)</sup> | 998,544,248<br>(144,942,887)<br>(170,000,000)<br>(70,000,000) |
| Total Net Assets Applicable to Common Stockholders — $100.0\%^{(1)}$   | -                | \$ 613,601,361  |

(1) Calculated as a percentage of net assets applicable to common stockholders.

(2) Security distributions are paid-in-kind.

(3) Non-income producing.

(4) Restricted securities have been fair valued in accordance with procedures approved by the Board of Directors and have a total fair value of \$5,594,789, which represents 0.9% of net assets. See Note 7 to the financial statements for further disclosure.

(5) Rate indicated is the current yield as of November 30, 2009.

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

November 30, 2009

#### Assets

| Investments at fair value (cost \$646,904,171)<br>Prepaid expenses and other assets                                    | \$ | 998,544,248<br>1,734,138 |
|--|----|--------------------------|
| Total assets   | 1  | 1,000,278,386            |
| Liabilities  |    |                          |
| Payable to Adviser   |    | 1,542,492                |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities   |    | 1,278,487                |
| Deferred tax liability   |    | 133,456,046              |
| Short-term borrowings  |    | 10,400,000               |
| Long-term debt obligations   | _  | 170,000,000              |
| Total liabilities  | _  | 316,677,025              |
| Preferred Stock<br>\$25,000 liquidation value per share applicable to  |    |                          |
| 2,800 outstanding shares (10,400 shares authorized)  | _  | 70,000,000               |
| Net assets applicable to common stockholders   | \$ | 613,601,361              |
| Net Assets Applicable to Common Stockholders Consist of:<br>Capital stock, \$0.001 par value; 24,037,087 shares issued | -  |                          |
| and outstanding (100,000,000 shares authorized)  | \$ | 24,037                   |
| Additional paid-in capital   |    | 396,444,236              |
| Accumulated net investment loss, net of income taxes   |    | (37,943,505)             |
| Undistributed realized gain, net of income taxes   |    | 36,502,093               |
| Net unrealized appreciation of investments, net of income taxes  | _  | 218,574,500              |
| Net assets applicable to common stockholders   | \$ | 613,601,361              |
| Net Asset Value per common share outstanding<br>(net assets applicable to common stock,                                | -  |                          |
| divided by common shares outstanding)  | \$ | 25.53                    |

### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended November 30, 2009

| Investment Income<br>Distributions from master limited partnerships<br>Less return of capital on distributions  | \$ 66,976,559<br>(53,511,686)   |
|---|---|
| Net distributions from master limited partnerships<br>Dividends from money market mutual funds  | 13,464,873<br>9,160   |
| Total Investment Income   | 13,474,033  |
| Operating Expenses<br>Advisory fees<br>Administrator fees<br>Professional fees<br>Reports to stockholders<br>Directors' fees<br>Custodian fees and expenses<br>Fund accounting fees<br>Registration fees<br>Stock transfer agent fees<br>Other expenses | 7,684,310<br>356,827<br>342,714<br>140,210<br>132,601<br>90,370<br>76,750<br>65,792<br>10,972<br>96,302 |
| Total Operating Expenses  | 8,996,848   |
| Interest expense<br>Premium and fees on redemption of long-term debt obligations<br>Amortization of debt issuance costs<br>Agent fees   | 11,438,780<br>880,000<br>212,550<br>191,871   |
| Total Interest, Redemption, Debt Issuance and Agent Fees  | 12,723,201  |
| Total Expenses<br>Less expense reimbursement by Adviser   | 21,720,049<br>(166,090)   |
| Net Expenses  | 21,553,959  |
| Net Investment Loss, before Income Taxes  | (8,079,926)   |
| Current tax benefit<br>Deferred tax benefit   | 230,529<br>3,134,275  |
| Income tax benefit  | 3,364,804   |
| Net Investment Loss   | (4,715,122)   |
| Realized and Unrealized Gain on Investments<br>Net realized gain on investments, before income taxes<br>Deferred tax expense  | 13,390,492<br>(5,071,994)   |
| Net realized gain on investments  | 8,318,498   |
| Net unrealized appreciation of investments, before income taxes<br>Deferred tax expense   | 391,804,866<br>(148,406,187)  |
| Net unrealized appreciation of investments  | 243,398,679   |
| Net Realized and Unrealized Gain on Investments   | 251,717,177   |
| Distributions to Preferred Stockholders   | (4,435,816)   |
| Net Increase in Net Assets Applicable to Common<br>Stockholders Resulting from Operations   | \$ 242,566,239  |



## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

Year Ended November 30

|  | 2009            | 2008            |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Operations   |                 |                 |
| Net investment loss  | \$ (4,715,122)  | \$ (10,886,735) |
| Net realized gain (loss) on investments and interest rate swaps  | 8,318,498       | (7,847,392)     |
| Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments and interest rate swap contracts                     | 243,398,679     | (272,520,024)   |
| Distributions to preferred stockholders  | (4,435,816)     | (8,341,046)     |
| Net increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to common stockholders resulting from operations              | 242,566,239     | (299,595,197)   |
| Distributions to Common Stockholders   |                 |                 |
| Net investment income  | -               | -               |
| Return of capital  | (51,017,299)    | (48,536,120)    |
| Total distributions to common stockholders   | (51,017,299)    | (48,536,120)    |
| Capital Stock Transactions   |                 |                 |
| Proceeds from shelf offerings of 391,700 and 4,527,450 common shares, respectively                             | 10,426,227      | 138,775,832     |
| Underwriting discounts and offering expenses associated with the issuance of common stock                      | (455,249)       | (5,468,353)     |
| Underwriting discounts and offering expenses associated with the issuance of preferred stock                   | -               | (40,250)        |
| Issuance of 202,596 and 154,900 common shares from reinvestment of distributions to stockholders, respectively | 5,050,123       | 4,648,241       |
| Net increase in net assets, applicable to common stockholders, from capital stock transactions                 | 15,021,101      | 137,915,470     |
| Cumulative effect of adopting ASC 740–10   |                 | (1,165,009)     |
| Total increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to common stockholders<br>Net Assets                        | 206,570,041     | (211,380,856)   |
| Beginning of year  | 407,031,320     | 618,412,176     |
| End of year  | \$ 613,601,361  | \$ 407,031,320  |
| Accumulated net investment loss, net of income taxes, at the end of year                                       | \$ (37,943,505) | \$ (33,228,383) |

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

## $\ensuremath{\mathsf{S}}\xspace{\mathsf{TATEMENT}}$ of $\ensuremath{\mathsf{C}}\xspace{\mathsf{ASH}}\xspace{\mathsf{Flows}}\xspace{\mathsf{Flows}}$

Year Ended November 30, 2009

#### **Cash Flows From Operating Activities**

| Distributions received from master limited partnerships<br>Dividend income received<br>Purchases of long-term investments<br>Proceeds from sales of long-term investments<br>Proceeds from sales of short-term investments, net  | \$ | 66,976,559<br>15,924<br>(143,519,398)<br>147,628,037<br>1,551,043                                    |
|--|----|--|
| Interest expense paid<br>Premium and fees on redemption of long-term<br>debt obligations<br>Income taxes paid<br>Operating expenses paid   |    | (12,051,992)<br>(480,000)<br>(423,469)<br>(8,332,176)  |
| Net cash provided by operating activities<br>Cash Flows From Financing Activities  | -  | 51,364,528   |
| Advances from revolving line of credit<br>Repayments on revolving line of credit<br>Issuance of common stock<br>Redemption of long-term debt obligations<br>Common stock issuance costs<br>Distributions paid to common stockholders<br>Distributions paid to preferred stockholders | \$ | 65,300,000<br>(54,900,000)<br>10,426,227<br>(20,000,000)<br>(502,164)<br>(47,647,725)<br>(4,435,818) |
| Net cash used in financing activities  | -  | (51,759,480)   |
| Net change in cash<br>Cash — beginning of year   | -  | (394,952)<br>394,952   |
| Cash – end of year   | \$ | -  |

| Reconciliation of net increase in net assets applicable to<br>common stockholders resulting from operations to net |                |
|--|----------------|
| provided by operating activities   |                |
| Net increase in net assets applicable to common  |                |
| stockholders resulting from operations   | \$ 242,566,239 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net increase in net assets  |                |
| applicable to common stockholders resulting from   |                |
| operations to net cash provided by operating activities:   |                |
| Purchases of long-term investments   | (143,519,398)  |
| Return of capital on distributions received  | 53,511,686     |
| Proceeds from sales of long-term investments   | 146,514,341    |
| Proceeds from sales of short-term investments, net   | 1,551,043      |
| Deferred tax expense   | 150,343,906    |
| Net unrealized appreciation of investments   | (391,804,866)  |
| Net realized gain on investments   | (13,390,492)   |
| Amortization of debt issuance costs  | 212,550        |
| Distributions to preferred stockholders  | 4,435,816      |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities:   |                |
| Decrease in interest and dividend receivable   | 6,802          |
| Decrease in receivable for investments sold  | 1,113,696      |
| Increase in prepaid expenses and other assets  | (98,213)       |
| Increase in payable to Adviser, net of expense   |                |
| reimbursement  | 485,183        |
| Decrease in current tax liability  | (652,845)      |
| Increase in accrued expenses and other liabilities   | 89,080         |
| Total adjustments  | (191,201,711)  |
| Net cash provided by operating activities  | \$ 51,364,528  |
| Non-Cash Financing Activities  |                |

Reinvestment of distributions by common stockholders in additional common shares

\$ 5,050,123



## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Year Ended November 30

|  | 2009     |             | 2008             | _   | 2007             | _   | 2006             | _    | 2005             |
|--|----------|-------------|------------------|-----|------------------|-----|------------------|------|------------------|
| Per Common Share Data <sup>(1)</sup>   |          |             |                  |     |                  |     |                  |      |                  |
| Net Asset Value, beginning of period   | \$ 17.3  | 6 5         | \$ 32.96         | \$  | 31.82            | \$  | 27.12            | \$   | 26.53            |
| Underwriting discounts and offering costs on issuance  |          |             |                  |     |                  |     |                  |      |                  |
| of common and preferred stock <sup>(2)</sup>   |          | -           | (0.01)           |     | (0.08)           |     | (0.14)           |      | (0.02)           |
| Premiums less underwriting discounts and offering costs on   |          |             |                  |     |                  |     |                  |      |                  |
| issuance of common stock <sup>(3)</sup>  | 0.0      | 3           | 0.09             |     | 0.08             |     | -                |      | -                |
| Income (loss) from Investment Operations:<br>Net investment loss <sup>(4)(5)</sup>   | (0.1     | <b>C</b> )  | (0.00)           |     | (0.61)           |     | (0.20)           |      | (0.16)           |
| Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments and  | (0.1     | 0)          | (0.29)           |     | (0.61)           |     | (0.32)           |      | (0.16)           |
| interest rate swap contracts <sup>(4)(5)</sup>   | 10.6     | 5           | (12.76)          |     | 4.33             |     | 7.41             |      | 2.67             |
| ·  |          |             |                  | -   |                  | -   |                  | -    |                  |
| Total increase (decrease) from investment operations   | 10.4     | .9          | (13.05)          | _   | 3.72             | _   | 7.09             | _    | 2.51             |
| Less Distributions to Preferred Stockholders:  |          |             |                  |     |                  |     |                  |      |                  |
| Net investment income  |          | _           | -                |     | -                |     | -                |      | -                |
| Return of capital  | (0.1     | 9)          | (0.40)           | _   | (0.39)           | _   | (0.23)           | _    | (0.11)           |
| Total distributions to preferred stockholders  | (0.1     | 9)          | (0.40)           | _   | (0.39)           | _   | (0.23)           | _    | (0.11)           |
| Less Distributions to Common Stockholders:   |          |             |                  |     |                  |     |                  |      |                  |
| Net investment income  |          | _           | -                |     | -                |     | -                |      | -                |
| Return of capital  | (2.1     | 6)          | (2.23)           |     | (2.19)           |     | (2.02)           |      | (1.79)           |
| Total distributions to common stockholders   | (2.1     | 6)          | (2.23)           | -   | (2.19)           | _   | (2.02)           | _    | (1.79)           |
| Net Asset Value, end of year   | \$ 25.5  | 3 9         | \$ 17.36         | \$  | 32.96            | \$  | 31.82            | \$   | 27.12            |
| Per common share market value, end of year   | \$ 29.5  | 0 9         | \$ 17.11         | \$  | 32.46            | \$  | 36.13            | \$   | 28.72            |
| Total Investment Return Based on Market Value <sup>(6)</sup>   | 88.8     | 5%          | (42.47)%         |     | (4.43)%          |     | 34.50%           |      | 13.06%           |
| Supplemental Data and Ratios   |          |             |                  |     |                  |     |                  |      |                  |
| Net assets applicable to common stockholders, end of period (000's)  | \$613,60 | 1 5         | \$407,031        | \$6 | 518,412          | \$5 | 532,433          | \$ 4 | 404,274          |
| Ratio of expenses (including current and deferred income tax (benefit) expense)  |          |             |                  |     |                  |     |                  |      |                  |
| to average net assets before waiver <sup>(7)(8)</sup>  | 34.3     | 2%          | (26.73)%         |     | 11.19%           |     | 20.03%           |      | 9.10%            |
| Ratio of expenses (including current and deferred income tax (benefit) expense)  |          |             |                  |     |                  |     |                  |      |                  |
| to average net assets after waiver <sup>(7)(8)</sup>   | 34.2     | 9%          | (26.92)%         |     | 11.00%           |     | 19.81%           |      | 8.73%            |
| Ratio of expenses (excluding current and deferred income tax (benefit) expense)  | 1.0      | 40/         | E E40/           |     | 4 750            |     | 0.07%            |      | 0.45%            |
| to average net assets before waiver <sup>(7)(9)</sup>  | 4.3      | 4%          | 5.51%            |     | 4.75%            |     | 3.97%            |      | 3.15%            |
| Ratio of expenses (excluding current and deferred income tax (benefit) expense)  | 1 0      | 1%          | 5.32%            |     | 4.56%            |     | 3.75%            |      | 2.78%            |
| to average net assets after waiver <sup>(7)(9)</sup><br>Ratio of net investment loss to average net assets before waiver <sup>(7)(9)</sup> |          | 5)%         | 5.32%<br>(3.05)% |     | 4.56%<br>(3.24)% |     | 3.75%<br>(2.24)% |      | 2.78%<br>(1.42)% |
| Ratio of net investment loss to average net assets before waiver $^{7/(9)}$  |          | 5)%<br>(2)% | (3.05)%          |     | (3.24)%          |     | (2.24)%          |      | (1.42)%          |
| המנוס סו חבר ווואבסנווובוור ווסס נט מאבומצב ווכר מססבוס מורבו שמואבו   | (1.0     | ~)/U        | (2.00)/0         |     | (0.00)/0         |     | (2.02)/0         |      | (1.00)/0         |

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(Continued)

|  | 2009      | 2008      | 2007      | 2006      | 2005       |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets after current and                    |           |           |           |           |            |
| deferred income tax benefit (expense), before waiver <sup>(7)(8)</sup>                           | (31.63)%  | 29.19%    | (9.68)%   | (18.31)%  | (7.37)%    |
| Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets after current and                    |           |           |           |           |            |
| deferred income tax benefit (expense), after waiver(7)(8)  | (31.60)%  | 29.38%    | (9.49)%   | (18.09)%  | (7.00)%    |
| Portfolio turnover rate  | 17.69%    | 5.81%     | 9.30%     | 2.18%     | 4.92%      |
| Short-term borrowings, end of year (000's)   | \$ 10,400 | _         | \$ 38,050 | \$ 32,450 | _          |
| Long-term debt obligations, end of year (000's)  | \$170,000 | \$210,000 | \$235,000 | \$165,000 | \$ 165,000 |
| Preferred stock, end of year (000's)   | \$ 70,000 | \$ 70,000 | \$185,000 | \$ 70,000 | \$ 70,000  |
| Per common share amount of long-term debt obligations outstanding,                               |           |           |           |           |            |
| at end of year   | \$ 7.07   | \$ 8.96   | \$ 12.53  | \$ 9.86   | \$ 11.07   |
| Per common share amount of net assets, excluding long-term debt obligations,                     |           |           |           |           |            |
| at end of year   | \$ 32.60  | \$ 26.32  | \$ 45.49  | \$ 41.68  | \$ 38.19   |
| Asset coverage, per \$1,000 of principal amount of long-term debt obligations                    |           |           |           |           |            |
| and short-term borrowings <sup>(10)(11)</sup>  | \$ 4,789  | \$ 3,509  | \$ 3,942  | \$ 4,051  | \$ 3,874   |
| Asset coverage ratio of long-term debt obligations and short-term borrowings <sup>(10)(11)</sup> | 479%      | 351%      | 394%      | 405%      | 387%       |
| Asset coverage, per \$25,000 liquidation value per share of preferred stock <sup>(11)(12)</sup>  | \$ 86,262 | \$ 64,099 | \$ 58,752 | \$ 74,769 | \$ 68,008  |
| Asset coverage ratio of preferred stock <sup>(11)(12)</sup>                                      | 345%      | 256%      | 235%      | 299%      | 272%       |

- (1) Information presented relates to a share of common stock outstanding for the entire period.
- (2) Represents the dilution per common share from underwriting and other offering costs for the year ended November 30, 2008. Represents the effect of the issuance of preferred stock for the year ended November 30, 2007. Represents the dilution per common share from underwriting and other offering costs for the year ended November 30, 2006. Represents the effect of the issuance of preferred stock for the year ended November 30, 2005.
- (3) Represents the premium on the shelf offerings of \$0.05 per share, less the underwriting and offering costs of \$0.02 per share for the year ended November 30, 2009. Represents the premium on the shelf offerings of \$0.34 per share, less the underwriting and offering costs of \$0.25 per share for the year ended November 30, 2008. Represents the premium on the shelf offerings of \$0.21 per share, less the underwriting and offering costs of \$0.13 per share for the year ended November 30, 2008. Represents the premium on the shelf offerings of \$0.21 per share, less the underwriting and offering costs of \$0.13 per share for the year ended November 30, 2007. The amount is less than \$0.01 per share, and represents the premium on the secondary offering of \$0.14 per share, less the underwriting discounts and offering costs of \$0.14 per share for the year ended November 30, 2005.
- (4) The per common share data for the years ended November 30, 2008, 2007, 2006, and 2005 do not reflect the change in estimate of investment income and return of capital, for the respective period. See Note 2C to the financial statements for further disclosure.
- (5) The per common share data for the year ended November 30, 2008 reflects the cumulative effect of adopting FIN 48, which was a \$1,165,009 increase to the beginning balance of accumulated net investment loss, or \$(0.06) per share.
- (6) Not annualized. Total investment return is calculated assuming a purchase of common stock at the beginning of the period and a sale at the closing price on the last day of the period reported (excluding brokerage commissions). The calculation also assumes reinvestment of distributions at actual prices pursuant to the Company's dividend reinvestment plan.

- (7) The expense ratios and net investment income (loss) ratios do not reflect the effect of distributions to preferred stockholders.
- (8) For the year ended November 30, 2009, the Company accrued \$230,529 for net income tax benefit and \$150,343,906 for net deferred income tax expense. For the year ended November 30, 2008, the Company accrued \$260,089 for current income tax expense and \$185,024,497 for deferred income tax benefit. The Company accrued \$42,516,321, \$71,661,802, and \$24,659,420 for the years ended November 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively, for current and deferred income tax expense.
- (9) The ratio excludes the impact of current and deferred income taxes.
- (10) Represents value of total assets less all liabilities and indebtedness not represented by long-term debt obligations, short-term borrowings and preferred stock at the end of the period divided by long-term debt obligations and short-term borrowings outstanding at the end of the period.
- (11) As of November 30, 2008, the Company had restricted cash in the amount of \$20,400,000 to be used to redeem long-term debt obligations with a par value of \$20,000,000, which are excluded from these asset coverage calculations.
- (12) Represents value of total assets less all liabilities and indebtedness not represented by long-term debt obligations, short-term borrowings and preferred stock at the end of the period divided by long-term debt obligations, short-term borrowings and preferred stock outstanding at the end of the period.



November 30, 2009

#### 1. Organization

Tortoise Energy Infrastructure Corporation (the "Company") was organized as a Maryland corporation on October 29, 2003, and is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). The Company's investment objective is to seek a high level of total return with an emphasis on current distributions paid to stockholders. The Company seeks to provide its stockholders with an efficient vehicle to invest in the energy infrastructure sector. The Company commenced operations on February 27, 2004. The Company's stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "TYG."

#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies

#### A. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, recognition of distribution income and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **B.** Investment Valuation

The Company primarily owns securities that are listed on a securities exchange or over-the-counter market. The Company values those securities at their last sale price on that exchange or over-the-counter market on the valuation date. If the security is listed on more than one exchange, the Company uses the price from the exchange that it considers to be the principal exchange on which the security is traded. Securities listed on the NASDAQ will be valued at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price, which may not necessarily represent the last sale price. If there has been no sale on such exchange or over-the-counter market on such day, the security will be valued at the mean between the last bid price and last ask price on such day.

The Company may invest up to 30 percent of its total assets in restricted securities. Restricted securities are subject to statutory or contractual restrictions on their public resale, which may make it more difficult to obtain a valuation and may limit the Company's ability to dispose of them. Investments in private placement securities and other securities for which market quotations are not readily available will be valued in good faith by using fair value procedures approved by the Board of Directors. Such fair value procedures consider factors such as discounts to publicly traded issues, time until conversion date, securities with similar yields, quality, type of issue, coupon, duration and rating. If events occur that affect the value of the Company's portfolio securities before the net asset value has been calculated (a "significant event"), the portfolio securities so affected will generally be priced using fair value procedures.

An equity security of a publicly traded company acquired in a direct placement transaction may be subject to restrictions on resale that can affect the security's liquidity and fair value. Such securities that are convertible into or otherwise will become freely tradable will be valued based on the market value of the freely tradable security less an applicable discount. Generally, the discount will initially be equal to the discount at which the Company purchased the securities. To the extent that such securities are convertible or otherwise become freely tradable within a time frame that may be reasonably determined, an amortization schedule may be used to determine the discount.

The Company generally values debt securities at prices based on market quotations for such securities, except those securities purchased with 60 days or less to maturity are valued on the basis of amortized cost, which approximates market value.

#### **C. Security Transactions and Investment Income**

Security transactions are accounted for on the date the securities are purchased or sold (trade date). Realized gains and losses are reported on an identified cost basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis, including amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts. Dividend and distribution income is recorded on the ex-dividend

date. Distributions received from the Company's investments in master limited partnerships ("MLPs") generally are comprised of ordinary income, capital gains and return of capital from the MLPs. The Company allocates distributions between investment income and return of capital based on estimates made at the time such distributions are received. Such estimates are based on historical information available from each MLP and other industry sources. These estimates may subsequently be revised based on actual allocations received from MLPs after their tax reporting periods are concluded, as the actual character of these distributions is not known until after the fiscal year end of the Company.

During the year ended November 30, 2009, the Company reallocated the amount of 2008 investment income and return of capital it recognized based on the 2008 tax reporting information received from the individual MLPs. This reallocation amounted to an increase in pre-tax net investment income of approximately \$4,636,000 or \$0.193 per share (\$2,876,000 or \$0.120 per share, net of deferred tax expense); a decrease in unrealized appreciation of investments of approximately \$4,923,000 or \$0.205 per share (\$3,054,000 or \$0.127 per share, net of deferred tax benefit) and an increase in realized gains of approximately \$287,000 or \$0.012 per share (\$178,000 or \$0.007 per share, net of deferred tax expense) for the year ended November 30, 2009.

#### **D. Distributions to Stockholders**

Distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The Company may not declare or pay distributions to its common stockholders if it does not meet asset coverage ratios required under the 1940 Act or the rating agency guidelines for its debt and preferred stock following such distribution. The character of distributions to common stockholders made during the year may differ from their ultimate characterization for federal income tax purposes. For the year ended November 30, 2009, the Company's distributions to common stockholders for book and tax purposes were comprised of 100 percent return of capital.

Distributions to auction preferred stockholders are based on variable rates set at auctions, normally held every 28 days unless a special rate period is designated. The Company may not declare or pay distributions to its auction preferred stockholders if it does not meet a 200 percent asset coverage ratio for its debt or the rating agency basic maintenance amount for the debt following such distribution. Distributions to auction preferred stockholders are accrued on a daily basis for the subsequent rate period at a rate determined on the auction date. Distributions to preferred stockholders are payable on the first day following the end of the rate period or the first day of the month if the rate period is longer than one month. The character of distributions to auction preferred stockholders made during the year may differ from their ultimate characterization for federal income tax purposes. For the year ended November 30, 2009, the Company's distributions to auction preferred stockholders for book and tax purposes were comprised of 100 percent return of capital.

#### **E. Federal Income Taxation**

The Company, as a corporation, is obligated to pay federal and state income tax on its taxable income. Currently, the highest regular marginal federal income tax rate for a corporation is 35 percent. The Company may be subject to a 20 percent federal alternative minimum tax on its federal alternative minimum taxable income to the extent that its alternative minimum tax exceeds its regular federal income tax.

The Company invests its assets primarily in MLPs, which generally are treated as partnerships for federal income tax purposes. As a limited partner in the MLPs, the Company reports its allocable share of the MLP's taxable income in computing its own taxable income. The Company's tax expense or benefit is included in the Statement of Operations based on the component of income or gains (losses) to which such expense or benefit relates. Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. A valuation allowance is recognized if, based on the weight of available evidence, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred income tax asset will not be realized.

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#### F. Organization Expenses, Offering and Debt Issuance Costs

The Company was responsible for paying all organizational expenses, which were expensed as incurred. Offering costs related to the issuance of common and preferred stock are charged to additional paid-in capital when the stock is issued. Debt issuance costs related to long-term debt obligations are capitalized and amortized over the period the debt is outstanding. Offering costs (excluding underwriter commissions) of \$9,059 related to the issuance of common stock in September 2008 and \$133,134 related to the issuance of common stock from July through November 2009 were recorded to additional paid-in capital during the year ended November 30, 2009.

#### **G. Derivative Financial Instruments**

The Company may use derivative financial instruments (principally interest rate swap contracts) in an attempt to manage interest rate risk. The Company has established policies and procedures for risk assessment and the approval, reporting and monitoring of derivative financial instrument activities. The Company does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes. All derivative financial instruments are recorded at fair value with changes in fair value during the reporting period, and amounts accrued under the agreements, included as unrealized gains or losses in the accompanying Statement of Operations. Monthly cash settlements under the terms of the derivative instruments and the termination of such contracts are recorded as realized gains or losses in the accompanying Statement of Operations.

#### **H. Indemnifications**

Under the Company's organizational documents, its officers and directors are indemnified against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Company. In addition, in the normal course of business, the Company may enter into contracts that provide general indemnification to other parties. The Company's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Company that have not yet occurred, and may not occur. However, the Company has not had prior claims or losses pursuant to these contracts and expects the risk of loss to be remote.

#### I. Recent Accounting Pronouncements Codification of Accounting Standards

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 168, *The FASB Accounting Standards Codification*<sup>™</sup> and *Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* ("SFAS 168"). SFAS 168 introduced a new Accounting Standard Codification ("ASC" or "Codification") which organizes current and future accounting standards into a single codified system. The Codification became the source of authoritative U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the SEC under authority of federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. The Codification supersedes all existing non-SEC accounting and reporting standards. All other nongrandfathered non-SEC accounting literature not included in the Codification is nonauthoritative. GAAP was not changed as a result of this statement, but changed the way the guidance is organized and presented. The Company has implemented the Codification in the financial statements by providing references to the ASC topics.

#### **Standard on Subsequent Events**

In May 2009, FASB issued ASC 855-10, Subsequent Events. ASC 855-10 provides guidance on management's assessment of subsequent events and requires additional disclosure about the timing of management's assessment of subsequent events. ASC 855-10 did not significantly change the accounting requirements for the reporting of subsequent events. ASC 855-10 was effective for interim or annual financial periods ending after June 15, 2009. The adoption of ASC 855-10 did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

#### **Standard on Financial Instruments**

In April 2009, FASB issued ASC Topic 825, *Financial Instruments*. The April 2009 guidance requires disclosures about financial instruments, including fair value, carrying amount, and method and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value. The adoption of this standard did not affect the Company's financial position or results of operations.

#### **Standard on Fair Value Measurement**

In August 2009, FASB issued Accounting Standard Update No. 2009-05 ("ASU 2009-05"), *Measuring Liabilities at Fair Value*. The August 2009 update provides clarification to ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, for the valuation techniques required to measure the fair value of liabilities. ASU 2009-05 also provides clarification around required inputs to the fair value measurement of a liability and definition of a Level 1 liability. ASU 2009-05 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after August 28, 2009. The Company does not anticipate that the adoption of this standard will have a material effect on the Company's financial position and results of operations.

#### **3. Concentration of Risk**

Under normal circumstances, the Company intends to invest at least 90 percent of its total assets in securities of energy infrastructure companies, and to invest at least 70 percent of its total assets in equity securities of MLPs. The Company will not invest more than 10 percent of its total assets in any single issuer as of the time of purchase. The Company may invest up to 25 percent of its assets in debt securities, which may include below investment grade securities. In determining application of these policies, the term "total assets" includes assets obtained through leverage. Companies that primarily invest in a particular sector may experience greater volatility than companies investing in a broad range of industry sectors. The Company may, for defensive purposes, temporarily invest all or a significant portion of its assets in investment grade securities and cash or cash equivalents. To the extent the Company uses this strategy, it may not achieve its investment objective.

#### 4. Agreements

For the period from December 1, 2008 through September 14, 2009, the Company had an Investment Advisory Agreement with Tortoise Capital Advisors, L.L.C. (the "Adviser"). Under the terms of the agreement, the Company paid the Adviser a fee equal to an annual rate of 0.95 percent of the Company's average monthly total assets (including any assets attributable to leverage and excluding any net deferred tax asset) minus accrued liabilities (other than net deferred tax liability, debt entered into for purposes of leverage and the aggregate liquidation preference of outstanding preferred stock) ("Managed Assets"), in exchange for the investment advisory services provided. For the period from March 1, 2006 through February 28, 2009, the Adviser waived fees in an amount equal to 0.10 percent of the average monthly Managed Assets of the Company.

On September 15, 2009, the Company entered into a new Investment Advisory Agreement with the Adviser as a result of a change in control of the Adviser and the previous Investment Advisory Agreement with the Adviser automatically terminated. The terms of the new Investment Advisory Agreement are substantially identical to the terms of the previous Investment Advisory Agreement, except for the effective and termination dates, and simply continue the relationship between the Company and the Adviser.

The Company has engaged U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC to serve as the Company's administrator. The Company pays the administrator a monthly fee computed at an annual rate of 0.04 percent of the first \$1,000,000,000 of the Company's Managed Assets, 0.03 percent on the next \$1,000,000,000 of Managed Assets and 0.02 percent on the balance of the Company's Managed Assets.

Computershare Trust Company, N.A. serves as the Company's transfer agent, dividend paying agent, and agent for the automatic dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan.

U.S. Bank, N.A. serves as the Company's custodian. The Company pays the custodian a monthly fee computed at an annual rate of 0.015 percent on the first \$100,000,000 of the Company's portfolio assets and 0.01 percent on the balance of the Company's portfolio assets.

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#### 5. Income Taxes

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effect of temporary differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and tax purposes. Components of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities as of November 30, 2009, are as follows:

| Deferred tax assets:   |               |
|--|---------------|
| Net operating loss carryforwards                                 | \$ 13,170,503 |
| Capital loss carryforwards                                       | 26,281,166    |
| Deferred expense associated with interest rate swap terminations | 1,705,185     |
| Alternative minimum tax credit carryforward                      | 327,228       |
|  | 41,484,082    |
| Deferred tax liabilities:  |               |
| Basis reduction of investment in MLPs                            | 41,401,939    |
| Net unrealized gains on investment securities                    | 133,538,189   |
|  | 174,940,128   |
| Total net deferred tax liability                                 | \$133,456,046 |
|  |               |

At November 30, 2009, a valuation allowance on deferred tax assets was not deemed necessary because the Company believes it is more likely than not that there is an ability to realize its deferred tax assets based on the Company's estimates of the timing of the reversal of deferred tax liabilities. Any adjustments to such estimates will be made in the period such determination is made. All tax years remain open to examination by federal and state tax authorities.

For the year ended November 30, 2008, the Company had determined a reserve for unrecognized tax benefits was not necessary when the net temporary differences represent future deductible amounts rather than future taxable amounts. For the year ended November 30, 2009, although future taxable amounts are anticipated, the Company re-evaluated its tax filing positions during the year and has determined that there are no unrecognized tax positions and therefore no penalties and interest are accrued. The Company's policy is to record interest and penalties on uncertain tax positions as part of tax expense. The Company does not expect any change to its unrecognized tax positions over the next twelve months subsequent to November 30, 2009.

Total income tax expense differs from the amount computed by applying the federal statutory income tax rate of 35 percent to net investment loss and realized and unrealized gains for the year ended November 30, 2009, as follows:

| Application of statutory income tax rate       | \$138,990,401 |
|--|---------------|
| State income taxes, net of federal tax benefit | 11,754,617    |
| Foreign taxes, net of federal tax effect       | (304,324)     |
| Change in income tax rate                      | (327,317)     |
| Total income tax expense                       | \$150,113,377 |

Total income taxes are computed by applying the federal statutory rate plus a blended state income tax rate. During the year, the Company re-evaluated its overall federal and state income tax rate, increasing it from 36.77 percent to 37.96 percent, due to (1) an anticipated 35 percent federal rate, and (2) anticipated state apportionment of income and gains.

The Company adopted ASC 740-10 on December 1, 2007. The impact of adopting ASC 740-10 was a \$1,165,009 increase to the beginning balance of accumulated net investment loss.

For the year ended November 30, 2009, the components of income tax expense include current foreign tax benefit (for which the federal tax effect is reflected in deferred tax expense) of \$490,529, alternative minimum tax of \$260,000, and deferred federal and state income tax expense (net of federal tax benefit) of \$138,620,567 and \$11,723,339, respectively.

As of November 30, 2009, the Company had a net operating loss for federal income tax purposes of approximately \$35,688,000. The net operating loss may be carried forward for 20 years. If not utilized, this net operating loss will expire as follows: \$7,710,000, \$22,275,000, \$1,067,000 and \$4,636,000 in the years ending November 30, 2025, 2026, 2027 and 2028, respectively. As of November 30, 2009, the Company had a capital loss carryforward of approximately \$69,200,000, which may be carried forward 5 years. If not utilized, this capital loss will expire as follows: \$42,900,000 and \$26,300,000 in the years ending November 30, 2013 and 2014, respectively. For the vear ended November 30, 2008, the Company estimated there would be no capital losses for the year. Upon receipt of the 2008 tax reporting information from the MLPs. the Company concluded that a portion of its estimated net operating loss needed to be reclassified to capital losses. The capital loss for the year ended November 30, 2009 has been estimated based on information currently available. Such estimate is subject to revision upon receipt of 2009 tax reporting information from the individual MLPs. For corporations, capital losses can only be used to offset capital gains and cannot be used to offset ordinary income. As of November 30, 2009, an alternative minimum tax credit of \$327,228 was available, which may be credited in the future against regular income tax. This credit may be carried forward indefinitely.

As of November 30, 2009, the aggregate cost of securities for federal income tax purposes was \$537,836,930. The aggregate gross unrealized appreciation for all securities in which there was an excess of fair value over tax cost was \$464,915,305, the aggregate gross unrealized depreciation for all securities in which there was an excess of tax cost over fair value was \$4,207,987 and the net unrealized appreciation was \$460,707,318.

#### 6. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Various inputs are used in determining the value of the Company's investments. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

- Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical investments
- Level 2 other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, market corroborated inputs, etc.)
- Level 3 significant unobservable inputs (including the Company's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The following table provides the fair value measurements of applicable Company assets by level within the fair value hierarchy as of November 30, 2009. These assets are measured on a recurring basis.

|   |                                    | Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using                         |   |              |  |  |  |
|---|------------------------------------|---|---|--------------|--|--|--|
| Description   | Fair Value at<br>November 30, 2009 | Quoted Prices in<br>Active Markets for<br>Identical Assets<br>(Level 1) | Significant Other<br>Observable Inputs<br>(Level 2) |              |  |  |  |
| Equity Securities:<br>Master Limited Partnerships<br>and Related Companies <sup>(a)</sup> |                                    | \$992,904,572   | \$ -  | \$ 5,594,789 |  |  |  |
| Total Equity Securities   | 998,499,361                        | 992,904,572   |   | 5,594,789    |  |  |  |
| Other:<br>Short-Term Investment <sup>(b)</sup>  | 44,887                             | 44,887  |   |              |  |  |  |
| Total Other   | 44,887                             | 44,887  |   |              |  |  |  |
| Total   | \$998,544,248                      | \$992,949,459   | \$ –  | \$ 5,594,789 |  |  |  |
| וטנעו   | 4JJ0,J44,Z40                       | 4332,343,433  | ý –   | ų J,J34,     |  |  |  |

(a) All other industry classifications are identified in the Schedule of Investments.

(b) Short-term investment is a sweep investment for cash balances in the Company

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| Fair V   | Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable Input<br>(Level 3) for Investments |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
|  | For the year ended<br>November 30, 2009   |  |  |
| Fair value beginning balance   | \$ 3,924,726  |  |  |
| Total unrealized gains included in net increase in net assets to common stockholders | applicable 2,774,534  |  |  |
| Net purchases, issuances and settlements   | -   |  |  |
| Return of capital adjustments impacting cost basis of securi                         | ity —   |  |  |
| Transfers out of Level 3   | (1,104,471)   |  |  |
| Fair value ending balance  | \$ 5,594,789  |  |  |

The Company utilizes the beginning of reporting period method for determining transfers into or out of Level 3. Accordingly, this method is the basis for presenting the rollforward in the preceding table. Under this method, the fair value of the asset at the beginning of the period will be disclosed as a transfer into or out of Level 3, gains or losses for an asset that transfers into Level 3 during the period will be included in the reconciliation, and gains or losses for an asset that transfers out of Level 3 will be excluded from the reconciliation.

For the year ended November 30, 2009, Crosstex Energy, L.P. Series D Subordinated Units transferred out of Level 3 when they converted into unrestricted common units of Crosstex Energy, L.P.

#### **Valuation Techniques**

In general, and where applicable, the Company uses readily available market quotations based upon the last updated sales price from the principal market to determine fair value. This pricing methodology applies to the Company's Level 1 investments.

An equity security of a publicly traded company acquired in a private placement transaction without registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"), is subject to restrictions on resale that can affect the security's fair value. If such a security is convertible into publicly-traded common shares, the security generally will be valued at the common share market price adjusted by a percentage discount due to the restrictions. If the security has characteristics that are dissimilar to the class of security that trades on the open market, the security will generally be valued and categorized as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

#### 7. Restricted Security

Certain of the Company's investments are restricted and are valued as determined in accordance with procedures established by the Board of Directors, as more fully described in Note 2. The table below shows the number of units held, acquisition date, acquisition cost, fair value, fair value per share and percent of net assets which the security comprises at November 30, 2009.

| Investment S          | Security                | Number<br>of Shares | Acquisition<br>Date | Acquisition<br>Cost | Fair<br>Value |          | Fair<br>Value as<br>Percent of<br>Net Assets |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------|----------|--|
| Copano Energy, L.L.C. | Class D<br>Common Units | 285,740             | 3/14/08             | \$ 7,500,675        | \$ 5,594,789  | \$ 19.58 | 0.9%   |

#### 8. Investment Transactions

For the year ended November 30, 2009, the Company purchased (at cost) and sold securities (proceeds received) in the amount of \$143,519,398 and \$146,514,341 (excluding short-term debt securities), respectively.

#### 9. Long-Term Debt Obligations

The Company has \$60,000,000 aggregate principal amount of auction rate senior notes (Series A) and \$110,000,000 aggregate principal amount of private senior notes (Series E), (collectively, the "Notes") outstanding. Holders of the auction rate senior

notes are entitled to receive cash interest payments at an annual rate that may vary for each rate period as determined by the auction. Holders of the private senior notes are entitled to receive cash interest payments each quarter at a fixed annual rate until maturity. In the event that there are not enough bidders in the auction at rates below the maximum rate as prescribed by the terms of the Series A Notes, the auction fails. When an auction fails, the rate paid to continuing or new bidders is set at the maximum rate. A failed auction does not cause an acceleration of, or otherwise have any impact on, outstanding principal amounts due or affect the security's liquidation preference. In the event of a failed auction, interest continues to be paid at the maximum rates and times determined in the indenture. The maximum rate based on the Series A Notes' current ratings is 200 percent of the greater of: (i) the applicable AA Composite Commercial Paper Rate or the applicable Treasury Index Rate or (ii) the applicable LIBOR as of the date of the auction.

The Notes are unsecured obligations of the Company and, upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, will rank: (1) senior to all of the Company's outstanding preferred shares; (2) senior to all of the Company's outstanding common shares; (3) on parity with any unsecured creditors of the Company and any unsecured senior securities representing indebtedness of the Company and (4) junior to any secured creditors of the Company.

The Notes are redeemable in certain circumstances at the option of the Company. The Notes are also subject to a mandatory redemption if the Company fails to meet asset coverage ratios required under the 1940 Act or the rating agency guidelines if such failure is not waived or cured. At November 30, 2009, the Company was in compliance with asset coverage covenants and basic maintenance covenants for its senior notes.

On December 3, 2008, the Company partially redeemed its Series E Notes in the amount of \$40,000,000. The Company paid a premium and fees upon redemption of \$800,000 and \$80,000, respectively. The unamortized balance of allocated capital costs was expensed and resulted in a loss on early redemption in the amount of \$134,000, which is included in amortization of debt issuance costs in the accompanying Statement of Operations.

Estimated fair values of the Notes were calculated, for disclosure purposes, using the spread between the AAA corporate finance debt rate and the U.S. Treasury rate with an equivalent maturity date plus the average spread between the current rates of the Notes and the AAA corporate finance debt rate. At November 30, 2009, the total spread was applied to the equivalent U.S. Treasury rate for each series and future cash flows were discounted to determine estimated fair value. The following table shows the maturity date, notional/carrying amount, estimated fair value, current rate as of November 30, 2009, the weighted-average rate for the year ended November 30, 2009 and the typical rate period for each series of Notes outstanding at November 30, 2009. The Company may designate a rate period that is different than the rate period indicated for the Series A Notes.

| Series   | Maturity<br>Date | Notional/<br>Carrying<br>Amount | Estimated<br>Fair Value | Current<br>Rate      | Weighted-<br>Average<br>Rate | Rate Period |
|----------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Series A | July 15, 2044    | \$ 60,000,000                   | \$ 65,295,596           | 6.75% <sup>(1)</sup> | 6.75%                        | 28 days (1) |
| Series E | April 10, 2015   | 110,000,000                     | 118,817,351             | 6.11%                | 6.11%                        | Fixed       |
|          |                  | \$170,000,000                   | \$184,112,947           |                      |                              |             |

(1) Special rate period effective September 5, 2007 through September 4, 2012.

The rates shown in the table above for the Series A Notes do not include commissions paid to the auction agent which are included in agent fees in the accompanying Statement of Operations. At the time the special rate period commenced, the Company paid commissions for the Series A Notes in the amount of \$240,000, which are being amortized over the special rate period. For each subsequent rate period, the interest rate will be determined by an auction conducted in accordance with the procedures described in the Series A Notes' prospectus. The Notes are not listed on any exchange or automated quotation system.

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#### **10. Preferred Stock**

The Company has 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock authorized. The Company has 10,400 authorized shares of auction preferred stock, of which 2,800 shares are outstanding at November 30, 2009. The preferred stock has rights determined by the Board of Directors. The holders of preferred stock have voting rights equal to the holders of common stock (one vote per preferred share) and will vote together with the holders of shares of common stock as a single class except on matters affecting only the holders of preferred stock.

The auction preferred stock has a liquidation value of \$25,000 per share plus any accumulated but unpaid distributions, whether or not declared. Holders of the auction preferred stock are entitled to receive cash distribution payments at an annual rate that may vary for each rate period as determined by the auction. In the event that there are not enough bidders in the auction at rates below the maximum rate as prescribed by the terms of the auction preferred stock, the auction fails. When an auction fails, the rate paid to continuing or new bidders is set at the maximum rate. A failed auction does not cause a mandatory redemption or affect the security's liquidation preference. In the event of a failed auction, distributions continue to be paid at the maximum rates and times determined in the articles supplementary. The maximum rate on auction preferred stock based on current ratings is 200 percent of the greater of: (i) the applicable AA Composite Commercial Paper Rate or the applicable Treasury Index Rate or (ii) the applicable LIBOR as of the date of the auction.

The preferred stock is redeemable in certain circumstances at the option of the Company. Under the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Company may not declare dividends or make other distributions on shares of common stock or purchases of such shares if, at the time of the declaration, distribution or purchase, asset coverage with respect to the outstanding preferred stock would be less than 200 percent. The preferred stock is also subject to a mandatory redemption if the Company fails to meet asset coverage ratios required under the 1940 Act or the rating agency guidelines if such failure is not waived or cured. At November 30, 2009, the Company was in compliance with asset coverage covenants and basic maintenance covenants for its preferred stock.

Estimated fair value of Auction Preferred I and Auction Preferred II Stock was calculated using the spread between the AA corporate finance debt rate and the U.S. Treasury rate with an equivalent maturity date plus the average spread between the current rates and the AA corporate finance debt rate. At November 30, 2009, the total spread was applied to the equivalent U.S. Treasury rate for each series and future cash flows were discounted to determine estimated fair value. The table below shows the number of shares outstanding, aggregate liquidation preference, estimated fair value, current rate as of November 30, 2009, the weighted-average rate for the year ended November 30, 2009 and the typical rate period for each series of preferred stock outstanding at November 30, 2009. The Company may designate a rate period that is different than the rate period indicated.

| Series                     | Shares<br>Outstanding | Aggregate<br>Liquidation<br>Preference | Estimated<br>Fair Value | Current<br>Rate      | Weighted-<br>Average<br>Rate | Rate Period            |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Auction Preferred I Stock  | 1,400                 | \$35,000,000                           | \$35,912,063            | 6.25%(1)             | 6.25%                        | 28 days <sup>(1)</sup> |
| Auction Preferred II Stock | 1,400                 | 35,000,000                             | 35,893,292              | 6.25% <sup>(2)</sup> | 6.25%                        | 28 days <sup>(2)</sup> |
|                            | 2,800                 | \$70,000,000                           | \$71,805,355            |                      |                              |                        |

(1) Special rate period effective September 13, 2007 through September 12, 2010.(2) Special rate period effective September 9, 2007 through September 8, 2010.

The rates shown in the table above do not include commissions paid to the auction agent, which are included in agent fees in the accompanying Statement of Operations. At the time the special rate periods commenced, the Company paid commissions for the Auction Preferred I Stock and the Auction Preferred II Stock in the amount of \$175,000 and \$178,500, respectively, which are being amortized over the rate periods.

#### 11. Common Stock

The Company has 100,000,000 shares of capital stock authorized and 24,037,087 shares outstanding at November 30, 2009. Transactions in common stock for the year ended November 30, 2009, were as follows:

| Shares at November 30, 2008                         | 23,442,791 |
|---|------------|
| Shares sold through shelf offerings                 | 391,700    |
| Shares issued through reinvestment of distributions | 202,596    |
| Shares at November 30, 2009                         | 24,037,087 |

#### 12. Credit Facility

The Company had a revolving loan commitment amount of \$92,500,000 that could be increased to \$160,000,000 if certain conditions were met with U.S. Bank, N.A. that matured on March 20, 2009. On March 20, 2009, the Company entered into an extension of its credit facility through June 20, 2009. The amended credit agreement provided for an unsecured revolving credit facility of up to \$40,000,000. During the extension period, the credit facility had a variable annual rate equal to one-month LIBOR plus 2.00 percent and unused portions of the credit facility accrued a non-usage fee equal to an annual rate of 0.25 percent.

On June 19, 2009, the Company entered into an amendment to its credit facility that extends the credit facility through June 20, 2010. The amended credit facility provides for an unsecured revolving credit facility of \$70,000,000. During the extension period, outstanding balances will accrue interest at a variable annual rate equal to one-month LIBOR plus 2.00 percent and unused portions of the credit facility will accrue a non-usage fee equal to an annual rate of 0.25 percent.

The average principal balance and interest rate for the period during which the credit facility was utilized during the year ended November 30, 2009 was approximately \$17,100,000 and 2.02 percent, respectively. At November 30, 2009, the principal balance outstanding was \$10,400,000 at an interest rate of 2.24 percent.

Under the terms of the credit facility, the Company must maintain asset coverage required under the 1940 Act. If the Company fails to maintain the required coverage, it may be required to repay a portion of an outstanding balance until the coverage requirement has been met.

#### **13. Subsequent Events**

On December 14, 2009, the Company issued 6,500,000 shares of Mandatory Redeemable Preferred ("MRP") Stock with a liquidation value of \$10.00 per share. On December 21, 2009, the Company issued 800,000 MRP shares with a liquidation value of \$10.00 per share pursuant to an over-allotment option granted to the underwriters. The MRP Stock is mandatorily redeemable on December 31, 2019 and will pay monthly distributions at an annual rate of 6.25 percent.

On December 21, 2009, the Company redeemed its Auction Preferred I Stock at liquidation value in the amount of \$35,000,000 and its Auction Preferred II Stock at liquidation value in the amount of \$35,000,000.

On December 21, 2009, the Company issued Series F Notes in the amount of \$29,975,000 and Series G Notes in the amount of \$30,000,000. The Series F Notes carry a fixed interest rate of 4.50 percent and mature on December 21, 2012, and the Series G Notes carry a fixed interest rate of 5.85 percent and mature on December 21, 2016.

On December 21, 2009, the Company redeemed its Series A Notes in the amount of 60,000,000.

During the period from December 1, 2009 through January 28, 2010, the Company issued 58,900 shares of common stock under its at-the-market equity program for gross proceeds of approximately \$1.9 million.

On January 26, 2010, the Company issued 2,750,000 shares of common stock for net proceeds of approximately \$80,275,000.

The Company has performed an evaluation of subsequent events through January 28, 2010, which is the date the financial statements were issued.

## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

#### The Board of Directors and Stockholders Tortoise Energy Infrastructure Corporation

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of Tortoise Energy Infrastructure Corporation (the Company), including the schedule of investments, as of November 30, 2009, and the related statements of operations and cash flows for the year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, and the financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended. These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial highlights based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements and financial highlights, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of November 30, 2009, by correspondence with the custodian. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements and financial highlights referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Tortoise Energy Infrastructure Corporation at November 30, 2009, the results of its operations and its cash flows 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 five years in the period then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note 5 to the financial statements, the Company adopted the provisions of Accounting Standard Codification No. 740-10, *Income Taxes*, on December 1, 2007.

Ernet + Young LLP

Kansas City, Missouri January 28, 2010



## COMPANY OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS (Unaudited)

November 30, 2009

| Name and Age*                       | Position(s) Held with<br>Company, Term of<br>Office and Length of<br>Time Served | Principal Occupation During Past Five Years  | Number of<br>Portfolios in Fund<br>Complex Overseen<br>by Director <sup>(1)</sup> | Other Board<br>Positions<br>Held by<br>Director |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| Independent Directors               |  |  |   |   |
| Conrad S. Ciccotello<br>(Born 1960) | Director since 2003  | Tenured Associate Professor of Risk Management and Insurance, Robinson College of<br>Business, Georgia State University (faculty member since 1999); Director of Graduate<br>Personal Financial Planning Programs; formerly, Editor, "Financial Services Review,"<br>(2001-2007) (an academic journal dedicated to the study of individual financial<br>management); formerly, faculty member, Pennsylvania State University (1997-1999).<br>Published several academic and professional journal articles about energy<br>infrastructure and oil and gas MLPs.   | 6   | None  |
| John R. Graham<br>(Born 1945)       | Director since 2003  | Executive-in-Residence and Professor of Finance (Part-time), College of Business<br>Administration, Kansas State University (has served as a professor or adjunct<br>professor since 1970); Chairman of the Board, President and CEO, Graham Capital<br>Management, Inc. (primarily a real estate development, investment and venture capital<br>company) and Owner of Graham Ventures (a business services and venture capital<br>firm); Part-time Vice President Investments, FB Capital Management, Inc. (a registered<br>investment adviser), since 2007. Formerly, CEO, Kansas Farm Bureau Financial<br>Services, including seven affiliated insurance or financial service companies<br>(1979-2000). | 6   | Kansas State<br>Bank                            |
| Charles E. Heath<br>(Born 1942)     | Director since 2003  | Retired in 1999. Formerly, Chief Investment Officer, GE Capital's Employers<br>Reinsurance Corporation (1989-1999); Chartered Financial Analyst ("CFA")<br>designation since 1974.   | 6   | None  |

(1) This number includes Tortoise Energy Capital Corporation ("TYY"), Tortoise North American Energy Corporation ("TYN"), Tortoise Capital Resources Corporation ("TTO"), Tortoise Power and Energy Infrastructure

Fund, Inc. ("TPZ"), one private investment company and the Company. Our Adviser also serves as the investment adviser to TYY, TYN, TTO, TPZ and the private investment company.

\* The address of each director and officer is 11550 Ash Street, Suite 300, Leawood, Kansas 66211.

## COMPANY OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS (Unaudited) (Continued)

November 30, 2009

| Name and Age*                    | Position(s) Held with<br>Company, Term of<br>Office and Length of<br>Time Served | Principal Occupation During Past Five Years  | Number of<br>Portfolios in Fund<br>Complex Overseen<br>by Director <sup>(1)</sup> | Other Board<br>Positions<br>Held by<br>Director |
|----------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| Interested Directors and         | I Officers <sup>(2)</sup>  |  |   |   |
| H. Kevin Birzer<br>(Born 1959)   | Director and<br>Chairman of the<br>Board since 2003                              | Managing Director of our Adviser since 2002; Partner, Fountain Capital Management<br>(1990-2009); Vice President, Corporate Finance Department, Drexel Burnham<br>Lambert (1986-1989); formerly, Vice President, F. Martin Koenig & Co., an investment<br>management firm (1983-1986); Director and Chairman of the Board of each of TYY,<br>TYN, TTO, TPZ and the private investment company since its inception; CFA designation<br>since 1988.  | 6   | None  |
| Terry Matlack<br>(Born 1956)     | Chief Financial Officer<br>since 2003  | Director of each of the Company, TYY, TYN, TTO, TPZ and the private investment company<br>from its inception to September 2009; Managing Director of our Adviser since 2002;<br>Full-time Managing Director, Kansas City Equity Partners, L.C. ("KCEP") (2001-2002);<br>formerly, President, GreenStreet Capital, a private investment firm (1998-2001); Chief<br>Financial Officer of each of TYY, TYN, TTO, TPZ and the private investment company since<br>its inception; Chief Compliance Officer of the Company from 2004 through May 2006<br>and of each of TYY and TYN from their inception through May 2006; Treasurer of each<br>of the Company, TYY and TYN from their inception to November 2005; Assistant<br>Treasurer of the Company, TYY and TYN from November 2005 to April 2008, of TTO from<br>its inception to April 2008, and of the private investment company from its inception<br>to April 2009; CFA designation since 1985. | N/A   | None  |
| David J. Schulte<br>(Born 1961)  | President and Chief<br>Executive Officer<br>since 2003                           | Managing Director of our Adviser since 2002; Full-time Managing Director, KCEP (1993-2002); President and Chief Executive Officer of TYY since 2005 and of TPZ since 2007; Chief Executive Officer of TYN since 2005 and President of TYN from 2005 to September 2008; Chief Executive Officer of TTO since 2005 and President of TTO from 2005 to April 2007; President of the private investment company since 2007 and Chief Executive Officer from 2007 to December 2008; CFA designation since 1992.  | N/A   | None  |
| Zachary A. Hamel<br>(Born 1965)  | Senior Vice President<br>since April 2007  | Managing Director of our Adviser since 2002; Partner, Fountain Capital Management (1997-present); Senior Vice President of TYY and TTO since 2005 and of TYN, TPZ and the private investment company since 2007; Secretary of each of the Company, TYY, TYN and TTO from their inception to April 2007; CFA designation since 1998.  | N/A   | None  |
| Kenneth P. Malvey<br>(Born 1965) | Senior Vice President<br>since April 2007;<br>Treasurer since<br>November 2005   | Managing Director of our Adviser since 2002; Partner, Fountain Capital Management (2002-present); formerly Investment Risk Manager and member of Global Office of Investments, GE Capital's Employers Reinsurance Corporation (1996-2002); Treasurer of TYY and TYN since November 2005, of TTO since September 2005, and of TPZ and the private investment company since 2007; Senior Vice President of TYY and TTO since 2005, and of TYN, TPZ and the private investment company since 2007; Assistant Treasurer of the Company, TYY and TYN from their inception to November 2005; Chief Executive Officer of the private investment company since December 2008; CFA designation since 1996.  | N/A   | None  |

(1) This number includes TYY, TYN, TTO, TPZ, one private investment company and the Company. Our Adviser also serves as the investment adviser to TYY, TYN, TTO, TPZ and the private investment company.

(2) As a result of their respective positions held with our Adviser or its affiliates, these individuals are considered "interested persons" within the meaning of the 1940 Act.

\* The address of each director and officer is 11550 Ash Street, Suite 300, Leawood, Kansas 66211.



#### **Stockholder Proxy Voting Results**

A special meeting of stockholders was held on September 11, 2009. The matter considered at the meeting, together with the actual vote tabulations relating to such matter are as follows:

To consider and vote on a new investment advisory agreement between the Company and its current investment adviser, Tortoise Capital Advisors, L.L.C.

|                  | No. of Shares |
|------------------|---------------|
| Affirmative      | 12,537,389    |
| Against          | 227,754       |
| Abstain          | 220,983       |
| Broker Non-Votes | 0             |
| TOTAL            | 12,986,126    |

Based upon votes required for approval, this matter passed.

#### **Director and Officer Compensation**

The Company does not compensate any of its directors who are "interested persons," as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act, nor any of its officers. For the year ended November 30, 2009, the aggregate compensation paid by the Company to the independent directors was \$138,000. The Company did not pay any special compensation to any of its directors or officers.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This report contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. By their nature, all forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, and actual results could differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements. Several factors that could materially affect the Company's actual results are the performance of the portfolio of investments held by it, the conditions in the U.S. and international financial, petroleum and other markets, the price at which shares of the Company will trade in the public markets and other factors discussed in filings with the SEC.

#### **Proxy Voting Policies**

A description of the policies and procedures that the Company uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities owned by the Company and information regarding how the Company voted proxies relating to the portfolio of securities during the 12-month period ended June 30, 2009 are available to stockholders (i) without charge, upon request by calling the Company at (913) 981-1020 or toll-free at (866) 362-9331 and on the Company's Web site at www.tortoiseadvisors.com; and (ii) on the SEC's Web site at www.sec.gov.

#### Form N-Q

The Company files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year with the SEC on Form N-Q. The Company's Form N-Q is available without charge upon request by calling the Company at (866) 362-9331 or by visiting the SEC's Web site at www.sec.gov. In addition, you may review and copy the Company's Form N-Q at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington D.C. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling (800) SEC-0330.

The Company's Form N-Qs are also available on the Company's Web site at www.tortoiseadvisors.com.

#### **Statement of Additional Information**

The Statement of Additional Information ("SAI") includes additional information about the Company's directors and is available upon request without charge by calling the Company at (866) 362-9331 or by visiting the SEC's Web site at www.sec.gov.

#### Certifications

The Company's Chief Executive Officer has submitted to the New York Stock Exchange in 2009 the annual CEO certification as required by Section 303A.12(a) of the NYSE Listed Company Manual.

The Company has filed with the SEC, as an exhibit to its most recently filed Form N-CSR, the certification of its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

#### **Privacy Policy**

In order to conduct its business, the Company collects and maintains certain nonpublic personal information about its stockholders of record with respect to their transactions in shares of the Company's securities. This information includes the stockholder's address, tax identification or Social Security number, share balances, and distribution elections. We do not collect or maintain personal information about stockholders whose share balances of our securities are held in "street name" by a financial institution such as a bank or broker.

We do not disclose any nonpublic personal information about you, the Company's other stockholders or the Company's former stockholders to third parties unless necessary to process a transaction, service an account, or as otherwise permitted by law.

To protect your personal information internally, we restrict access to nonpublic personal information about the Company's stockholders to those employees who need to know that information to provide services to our stockholders. We also maintain certain other safeguards to protect your nonpublic personal information.

#### Automatic Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan

The Company's Automatic Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan (the "Plan") allows participating common stockholders to reinvest distributions, including dividends, capital gains and return of capital in additional shares of the Company's common stock and allows registered holders of the Company's common stock to make optional cash investments, in accordance with the Plan, on a monthly basis.

If a stockholder's shares are registered directly with the Company or with a brokerage firm that participates in the Company's Plan, all distributions are automatically reinvested for stockholders by the Agent in additional shares of common stock of the Company (unless a stockholder is ineligible or elects otherwise). Stockholders holding shares that participate in the Plan in a brokerage account may not be able to transfer the shares to another broker and continue to participate in the Plan. Stockholders who elect not to participate in the Plan will receive all distributions payable in cash paid by check mailed directly to the stockholder of record (or, if the shares are held in street or other nominee name, then to such nominee) by Computershare, as dividend paying agent. Distributions subject to tax (if any) are taxable whether or not shares are reinvested.

Any single investment pursuant to the cash purchase option under the Plan must be in an amount of at least \$100 and may not exceed \$5,000 per month unless a request for waiver has been granted. A request for waiver should be directed to the Company at 1-866-362-9331 and the Company has the sole discretion to grant

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any requested waiver. Optional cash investments may be delivered to the Agent by personal check, by automatic or electronic bank account transfer or by online access at www.computershare.com. The Company reserves the right to reject any purchase order. Stockholders who hold shares in street or other nominee name who want to participate in optional cash investments should contact their broker, bank or other nominee and follow their instructions. There is no obligation to make an optional cash investment at any time, and the amount of such investments may vary from time to time. Optional cash investment date (the "payment date") for purchase of common shares on the next succeeding purchase date under the Plan. Scheduled optional cash purchases may be cancelled or refunded upon a participant's written request received by the Agent ta least two business days prior to the purchase date. Participants will not be able to instruct the Agent to purchase common shares at a specific time or at a specific price.

If on the distribution payment date or the purchase date for optional cash investments, the net asset value per share of the common stock is equal to or less than the market price per share of common stock plus estimated brokerage commissions, the Company will issue additional shares of common stock to participants. The number of shares will be determined by the greater of the net asset value per share or 95 percent of the market price. Otherwise, shares generally will be purchased on the open market by the Agent as soon as possible following the payment date or purchase date, but in no event later than 30 days after such date except as necessary to comply with applicable law. There are no brokerage charges with respect to shares issued directly by the Company as a result of distributions payable either in shares or in cash or as a result of optional cash investments. However, each participant will pay a pro rata share of brokerage commissions incurred with respect to the Agent's open-market purchases in connection with the reinvestment of distributions or optional cash investments. If a participant elects to have the Agent sell part or all of his or her common stock and remit the proceeds, such participant will be charged a transaction fee of \$15.00 plus his or her pro rata share of brokerage commissions on the shares sold.

Participation is completely voluntary. Stockholders may elect not to participate in the Plan, and participation may be terminated or resumed at any time without penalty, by giving notice in writing, by telephone or Internet to Computershare, the Plan Agent, at the address set forth below. Such termination will be effective with respect to a particular distribution if notice is received prior to such record date.

Additional information about the Plan may be obtained by writing to Computershare Trust Company, N.A, P.O. Box 43078, Providence, R.I. 02940-3078. You may also contact Computershare by phone at (888) 728-8784 or visit their Web site at www.computershare.com.

#### **Approval of New Investment Advisory Agreement**

On June 2, 2009, the Board of Directors approved a new Investment Advisory Agreement (the "New Investment Advisory Agreement") with the Adviser in connection with the proposed transaction (the "Proposed Transaction") with Mariner Holdings, LLC ("Mariner"), which upon closing resulted in a change in control of the Adviser. Prior to the Board of Directors' approval of the New Investment Advisory Agreement, the independent directors of the Company ("Independent Directors"), with the assistance of counsel independent of the Adviser (hereinafter "independent legal counsel"), requested and evaluated extensive materials about the Proposed Transaction and Mariner from the Adviser and Mariner, which also included information from independent, third-party sources, regarding the factors considered in their evaluation.

The Independent Directors first learned of the potential Proposed Transaction in January 2009. Prior to conducting due diligence of the Proposed Transaction and of Mariner, each Independent Director had a personal meeting with key officials of Mariner. In February 2009, the Independent Directors consulted with independent legal counsel regarding the role of the Independent Directors in the Proposed Transaction. Also in February 2009, the Independent Directors, in conjunction with independent legal counsel, prepared and submitted their own due diligence request list to Mariner, so that the Independent Directors could better understand the effect the change of control would have on the Adviser. In March 2009, the Independent Directors, in conjunction with independent legal counsel, reviewed the written materials provided by Mariner. In April and May 2009, the Independent Directors asked for supplemental written due diligence information and were given such follow-up information about Mariner and the Proposed Transaction.

In May 2009, the Independent Directors interviewed key Mariner personnel and asked follow-up questions after having completed a review of all documents provided in response to formal due diligence requests. In particular, the follow-up questions focused on (i) the expected continuity of management and employees at the Adviser, (ii) compliance and regulatory experience of the Adviser, (iii) plans to maintain the Adviser's compliance and regulatory personnel and (iv) benefit and incentive plans used to maintain the Adviser's current personnel. On May 22, 2009, the Independent Directors and Mariner officials jointly attended the annual meetings of the Companies and at such time met to discuss the Proposed Transaction. The Independent Directors also met face-to-face with the Mariner officials in May in the interest of better getting to know key personnel at Mariner. The Independent Directors also discussed the Proposed Transaction and the findings of the Mariner diligence investigation with independent legal counsel in private sessions.

In approving the New Investment Advisory Agreement, the Independent Directors of the Company requested and received extensive data and information from the Adviser concerning the Company and the services provided to it by the Adviser under the current investment advisory agreement. In addition, the Independent Directors had approved the continuance of the current investment advisory agreement, the terms of which are substantially identical to those of the New Investment Advisory Agreement, in November 2008. The extensive data and information reviewed, in conjunction with the results of the diligence investigation of the Proposed Transaction and Mariner, form the basis of the conclusions reached below.

#### **Factors Considered**

The Independent Directors considered and evaluated all the information provided by the Adviser. The Independent Directors did not identify any single factor as being all-important or controlling, and each Director may have attributed different levels of importance to different factors. In deciding to approve the New Investment Advisory Agreement, the Independent Directors' decision was based on the following factors and what, if any, impact the Proposed Transaction would have on such factors.

*Nature, Extent and Quality of Services Provided.* The Independent Directors considered information regarding the history, qualification and background of the Adviser and the individuals responsible for the Adviser's investment program, the adequacy of the number of the Adviser personnel and other Adviser resources and plans for growth, use of affiliates of the Adviser, and the particular expertise with respect to energy infrastructure companies, MLP markets and financing (including private financing). The Independent Directors concluded that the unique nature of the Company and the specialized expertise of the Adviser in the niche market of MLPs



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made it uniquely qualified to serve as the adviser. Further, the Independent Directors recognized that the Adviser's commitment to a long-term investment horizon correlated well to the investment strategy of the Company.

Investment Performance of the Company and the Adviser, Costs of the Services To Be Provided and Profits To Be Realized by the Adviser and its Affiliates from the Relationship, and Fee Comparisons. The Independent Directors reviewed and evaluated information regarding the Company's performance (including quarterly, last twelve months, and from inception included in information provided in connection with their November 2008 approval, as well as supplemental information covering the period from November 30, 2008 through April 30, 2009 and since inception) and the performance of the other Adviser accounts (including other investment companies), and information regarding the nature of the markets during the performance period, with a particular focus on the MLP sector. The Independent Directors also considered the Company's performance as compared to comparable closed-end funds for the relevant periods.

The Adviser provided detailed information concerning its cost of providing services to the Company, its profitability in managing the Company, its overall profitability, and its financial condition. The Independent Directors reviewed with the Adviser the methodology used to prepare this financial information. This financial information regarding the Adviser is considered in order to evaluate the Adviser's financial condition, its ability to continue to provide services under the New Investment Advisory Agreement, and the reasonableness of the current management fee, and was, to the extent possible, evaluated in comparison to other closed-end funds with similar investment objectives and strategies.

The Independent Directors considered and evaluated information regarding fees charged to, and services provided to, other investment companies advised by the Adviser (including the impact of any fee waiver or reimbursement arrangements and any expense reimbursement arrangements), fees charged to separate institutional accounts by the Adviser, and comparisons of fees of closed-end funds with similar investment objectives and strategies, including other MLP investment companies, to the Company. The Independent Directors concluded that the fees and expenses that the Company will pay under the New Investment Advisory Agreement are reasonable given the quality of services to be provided under the New Investment Advisory Agreement and that such fees and expenses are comparable to, and in many cases lower than, the fees charged by advisers to comparable funds.

**Economies of Scale.** The Independent Directors considered information from the Adviser concerning whether economies of scale would be realized as the Company grows, and whether fee levels reflect any economies of scale for the benefit of the Company's stockholders. The Independent Directors concluded that economies of scale are difficult to measure and predict overall. Accordingly, the Independent Directors reviewed other information, such as year-over-year profitability of the Adviser generally, the profitability of its management of the Company specifically, and the fees of competitive funds not managed by the Adviser over a range of asset sizes. The Independent Directors concluded the Adviser is appropriately sharing any economies of scale through its competitive fee structure and through reinvestment in its business to provide stockholders additional content and services.

**Collateral Benefits Derived by the Adviser.** The Independent Directors reviewed information from the Adviser concerning collateral benefits it receives as a result of its relationship with the Company. They concluded that the Adviser generally does not use the Company's or stockholder information to generate profits in other lines of business, and therefore does not derive any significant collateral benefits from them.

The Independent Directors did not, with respect to their deliberations concerning their approval of the New Investment Advisory Agreement, consider the benefits the Adviser may derive from relationships the Adviser may have with brokers through soft dollar arrangements because the Adviser does not employ any such arrangements in rendering its advisory services to the Company. Although the Adviser may receive research from brokers with whom it places trades on behalf of clients, the Adviser does not have soft dollar arrangements or understandings with such brokers regarding receipt of research in return for commissions.

#### **Conclusions of the Independent Directors**

As a result of this process, the Independent Directors, assisted by the advice of legal counsel that is independent of the Adviser, taking into account all of the factors discussed above and the information provided by the Adviser, unanimously concluded that the New Investment Advisory Agreement between the Company and the Adviser is fair and reasonable in light of the services provided and should be approved.

Tortoise Energy Infrastructure Corp.

#### Office of the Company and of the Investment Adviser

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| Tortoise Capital Advisors' Public Investment Companies |                                       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Name   | Ticker/<br>Inception Date             | Primary Target<br>Investments   | Investor<br>Suitability                                  | Total Assets<br>as of 12/31/09<br>(\$ in millions) |  |  |  |
| Tortoise Energy Infrastructure Corp.                   | TYG<br>Feb. 2004                      | U.S. Energy Infrastructure  | Retirement Accounts<br>Pension Plans<br>Taxable Accounts | \$1,077  |  |  |  |
| Tortoise Energy Capital Corp.                          | TYY<br>May 2005                       | U.S. Energy Infrastructure  | Retirement Accounts<br>Pension Plans<br>Taxable Accounts | \$601  |  |  |  |
| Tortoise North American Energy Corp.                   | TYN<br>Oct. 2005                      | U.S. Energy Infrastructure  | Retirement Accounts<br>Pension Plans<br>Taxable Accounts | \$157  |  |  |  |
| Tortoise Capital Resources Corp.                       | TTO<br>Dec. 2005<br>(Feb. 2007 – IPO) | U.S. Energy Infrastructure<br>Private and Micro Cap<br>Public Companies                 | Retirement Accounts<br>Pension Plans<br>Taxable Accounts | \$86<br>(as of 8/31/09)                            |  |  |  |
| Tortoise Power and Energy<br>Infrastructure Fund, Inc. | TPZ<br>July 2009                      | U.S. Power and Energy Investment<br>Grade Debt and Dividend-Paying<br>Equity Securities | Retirement Accounts<br>Pension Plans<br>Taxable Accounts | \$181  |  |  |  |





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