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LMI Type

Listed investment company

Investment Area

Australia

Investment Assets

Listed companies and other

Investment Sectors

Diversified

Key Investment Information	
Price (\$) as at 24 August 2015	1.925
Market cap (\$M)	868.3
Shares on issue (M)	451.1
Shares traded (\$M p.a)	226.8
12-month L/H (\$)	1.88/2.11
Listing date	August 1999
Fees	
Management Fee (%)	1.00
Performance incentives (%)	20.0*

^{*}Outperformance of the All Ords Acc index or the amount of the increase in the value of the portfolio in the event the All Ords Acc index has fallen.

Pre-tax NTA Performance Analytics (including dividends)

	All Ords Acc	
	1 Yr	3 Yr (p.a.)
Excess Per. (%)	3.31	-2.70
TE (%)	8.69	7.68

Benchmark returns are purely pre-tax, whereas LIC returns incorporate realised capital gains tax and therefore understate portfolio performance to a degree.

Dividend Yield	%
FY13	7.01ff
FY14	6.44ff
FY15	7.03ff

Major Shareholders	%
UBS Wealth Management Australia Nominees Pty Ltd	1.4
HSBC Custody Nominees (Australia) Limited	1.1

COMPANY OVERVIEW

WAM was listed in August 1999 and is managed by Wilson Asset Management (International) Pty Ltd. WAM provides an actively managed portfolio that focuses on investing in a diversified portfolio of growth companies, primarily small-to-mid cap securities.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The investment objectives of the fund are to provide a growing stream of fully franked dividends, provide capital growth and preserve capital.

STYLE AND PROCESS

WAM predominantly invests in a diversified portfolio of growth companies. The manager uses a combination of two approaches to select investments:

(1) The Research Driven approach, which involves making investment decisions based on extensive research on the security. The manager looks for management strength, earnings growth potential, low earnings multiple, advantageous industry position, generation of free cash flow, appropriate return on equity and a catalyst for share price growth. The manager has over 1,000 meetings with management each year; and

(2) The Market Driven approach, which involves participating in IPOs, placements and takeover arbitrages aiming to take advantage of short-term arbitrage opportunities and mispricing in the market.

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

WAM's portfolio focuses on small-to-mid cap stocks with the majority of investments being in companies outside the ASX 100. Given the company focuses on industrial stocks, the portfolio has very little exposure to the resource sector. The manager defaults to cash if acceptable investments cannot be identified. As such, prospective investors need to be aware that the portfolio may have large cash allocations. At 30 June 2015, the portfolio had a 40% cash allocation with the capital raising during the March quarter contributing to the cash position. The company increased its exposure to the Financials sector over the quarter to 32.6% making it the largest sector exposure. The manager exited its Energy positions and the Materials sector exposure is minimal.

INDEPENDENT INVESTMENT RESEARCH COMMENTS

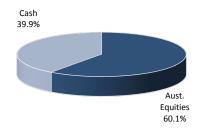
WAM predominantly invests in small-to-mid cap stocks. The Manager primarily maintains small positions in securities to minimise risk, however, there are no size restrictions on investments so the manager can take high conviction positions in a stock if they so desire. We note that smaller cap stocks tend to entail a greater level of risk; however, the upside potential can be considerable. The manager has the ability to short sell stocks. We note, this has never been more than 5% of the portfolio. WAM's portfolio (pre-tax NTA plus dividends) declined 1.2% over the June quarter however outperformed the benchmark index which declined 6.2%. Over the long-term the portfolio has outperformed the benchmark, with an average rolling annual return of 11.2% over the ten years to 30 June 2015, compared to an 8.2% average rolling annual return for the benchmark index. The company is yet to release the FY15 results, however has sufficient reserves to maintain or possibly increase the final dividend. At June-end, the company was trading at a 6.0% premium to pre-tax NTA, above the three-year average premium of 4.2%. The number of shares on issue has increased substantially over the past four years, with over 345m ordinary shares being issued through capital raising, dividend reinvestment plans and the exercise of option issues. While the issue of new shares dilutes existing shareholder positions, the larger portfolio improves liquidity.

As at 30 June 2015

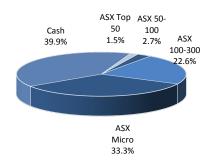
SECTOR BREAKDOWN (EX CASH)

Sector	31 Mar (%)	30 Jun (%)
Energy	2.3	0.0
Materials	4.2	0.7
Industrials	23.9	20.0
Consumer Discretionary	27.6	26.8
Consumer Staples	3.3	2.5
Healthcare	5.5	6.5
Financials (ex Property)	21.6	32.6
Property	0.2	0.0
Information Technology	5.4	5.7
Telecommunication Services	3.7	2.8
Utilities	2.2	2.4
UnIsted Unit Trusts	0.1	0.0

Asset Weighting



Size Weighting



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Geoffrey Wilson Chairman (Executive)

Matthew Kidman Director (Non-Executive)

James Chirnside Director (Non-Executive)

Paul Jensen Director (Non-Executive)

Lindsay Mann Director (Non-Executive)

Kate Thorley Company Secretary

Chris Stott Director (Non-Executive) - Appointed May 2015

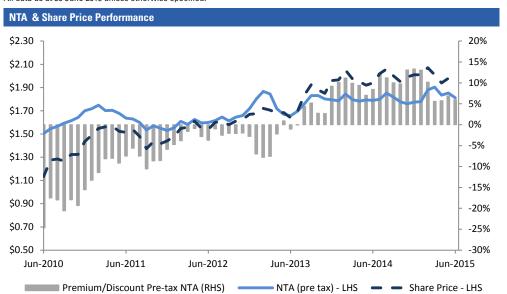
OTHER DATA

- Options none on issue.
- Dividend policy The Board is committed to paying an increasing stream of fully franked dividends to shareholders provided the company has sufficient franking credits. Dividends are paid on a six-monthly basis.
- Capital management policy The Board manages the Company's capital by regularly reviewing the most efficient manner by which the company employs its capital. At the core of this management is the belief that shareholder value should be preserved. Shareholder value will be preserved through the management of the level of distributions to shareholders, share and options issues as well as the use of share buy-backs. These capital management initiatives will be used when deemed appropriate by the Board.
- LIC tax concessions None
- DRP available Yes

WAM's Portfolio (Top 10) Weighting

Code	Portfolio (%)	All Ords (%)
HHV	6.0	na
ECX	4.7	na
CYA	3.7	na
ASB	3.3	0.0
BAP	3.1	0.0
HVN	2.8	0.3
IPH	2.6	0.0
QAN	2.5	0.4
MYX	2.4	0.0
ENE	2.4	0.1
	33.5	0.8

Source all figures: WAM/Independent Investment Research/IRESS. All data as at 30 June 2015 unless otherwise specified.



APPENDIX A - RATINGS PROCESS

Independent Investment Research Pty Ltd "IIR" rating system.

IIR has developed a framework for rating investment product offerings in Australia. Our review process gives consideration to a broad number of qualitative and quantitative factors. Essentially, the evaluation process includes the following key factors: management and underlying portfolio construction; investment management, product structure, risk management, experience and performance; fees, risks and likely outcomes.

Highly Recommended

LMI Ratings

Recommended +

SCORE

83 and above

This is the highest rating provided by IIR, indicating this is a best of breed product that has exceeded the requirements of our review process across a number of key evaluation parameters and achieved exceptionally high scores in a number of categories. The product provides a highly attractive risk/return trade-off. The Fund is likely effectively to apply industry best practice to manage endogenous risk factors, and, to the extent that it can, exogenous risk factors.



79-82

This rating indicates that IIR believes this is a superior grade product that has exceeded the requirements of our review process across a number of key evaluation parameters and achieved high scores in a number of categories. In addition, the product rates highly on one or two attributes in our key criteria. It has an above-average risk/return trade-off and should be able consistently to generate above average risk-adjusted returns in line with stated investment objectives. The Fund should be in a position effectively to manage endogenous risk factors, and, to the extent that it can, exogenous risk factors. This should result in returns that reflect the expected level of risk.



This rating indicates that IIR believes this is an above-average grade product that has exceeded the minimum requirements of our review process across a number of key evaluation parameters. It has an above-average risk/return trade-off and should be able to consistently generate above-average risk adjusted returns in line with stated investment objectives.



Not Recommended

<60

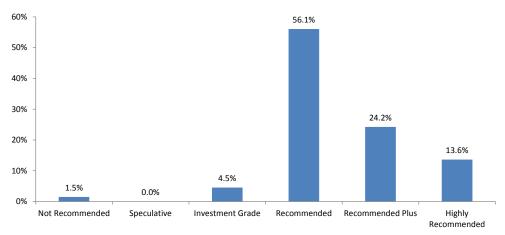
This rating indicates that IIR believes this is a suitable product that has met the aggregate requirements of our review process across a number of key evaluation criteria. The product provides some unique diversification opportunities, but may not stand apart from its peers. It has an acceptable risk/return trade-off and should generate risk adjusted returns in line with stated investment objectives. However, concerns over one or more features mean that it may not be suitable for most investors.



APPENDIX B - MANAGED INVESTMENTS COVERAGE

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Spread of Managed Investment Ratings



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Rating



LMI Type

Listed investment company

Investment Area

Australia

Investment Asset

Listed companies and other

Investment Sectors

Diversified

Investment Profile	
Price (\$) as at 24 August 2015	1.18
Market cap (\$M)	195.1
Shares on issue (M)	165.3
Shares traded (\$M p.a.)	35.9
12-month L/H (\$)	1.095/1.245
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FY14	6.47ff
FY15	6.68ff

Substantial Shareholders	%
GW Holdings Pty Ltd	2.9
Victor John Plummer	2.1
	As at 30 June 2015

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INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The company aims to provide shareholders a steady stream of fully franked dividends and a high real rate of return, comprising both capital and income.

STYLE AND PROCESS

WAX's investment philosophy is to invest predominantly in industrial companies with an emphasis on companies that are under researched and are considered undervalued by the Manager. As such the company focuses on small-to-mid cap companies. The manager uses a Research Driven approach to identify investment opportunities, which involves making investment decisions based on extensive research on the security. The manager looks for management strength, earnings growth potential, low earnings multiple, advantageous industry position, generation of free cash flow, appropriate return on equity and a catalyst for share price growth. The manager has over 1,000 meetings with management each year.

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

WAX aims to maintain a portfolio of between 30 and 60 securities. The manager focuses on small-to-mid cap stocks with all investments outside the top 100. Given the company focuses on industrial stocks, the portfolio has very little, if any, exposure to the resource sector. The largest portfolio allocation, outside of cash, is to the Consumer Discretionary sector with 37.4% of the long portfolio allocated to this sector. The manager will hold cash if attractive investment opportunities cannot be identified. The Manager held 46% of the portfolio in cash at 30 June 2015.

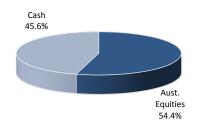
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WAX predominantly invests in small-to-mid cap industrial stocks. We note that smaller cap stocks tend to entail a greater level of risk; however, the upside potential can be considerable. There are no size restrictions on investments therefore the manager has the ability to take high conviction positions. WAX's portfolio (pre-tax NTA plus dividends) has outperformed the benchmark index over the 12-months to 30 June 2015, rising 13.9% compared to the benchmark index increase of 5.7%. The lack of exposure to the Energy and Materials sectors assisted with the strong performance of the portfolio, given resources were a significant drag on the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Index. The portfolio also outperformed the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries industrials Accumulation Index by 6.7% over the 12-month period. This index is probably the best comparison of performance given the current structure of the portfolio. The recent performance of the portfolio has resulted in the portfolio significantly outperforming the benchmark index over the medium-term and performing in line over the longer-term. In June, the bonus options issued expired. The company raised \$28.3, with approximately 34% of the options exercised. The company continues to offer an above market dividend yield in excess of 6%. We believe this to have been a driver for the share price, which has resulted in the company trading at a premium to pre-tax NTA of 1.6% at 30 June 2015. The company has sufficient reserves to maintain of even increase the final dividend for FY15.

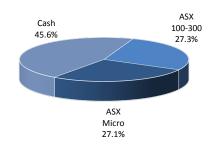
SECTOR BREAKDOWN (EX CASH)

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Materials	3.1	0.0
Industrials	25.5	28.0
Consumer Discretionary	35.8	37.4
Consumer Staples	1.1	1.7
Healthcare	2.3	1.4
Financials (ex Property)	10.0	13.1
Property	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	9.7	11.1
Telecommunication Services	7.8	2.2
Utilities	4.7	5.1

Asset Weighting



Size Weighting



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Geoffrey Wilson	Chairman (Executive)
Matthew Kidman	Director (Non-Executive)
John Abernethy	Director (Non-Executive)
Julian Gosse	Director (Non-Executive)
Chris Stott	Director (Non-Executive)
Kate Thorley	Company Secretary/Director (Non-Executive)

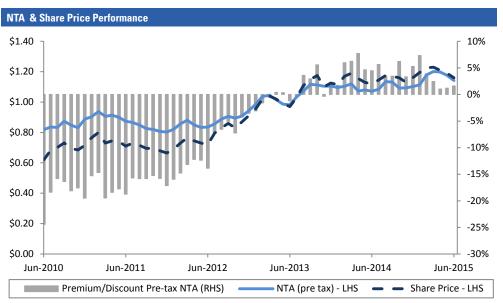
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- **Options** Bonus shares issued on a one-for two basis in December 2013. Options will have an exercise price of \$1.20 per share and expire on 17 June 2015.
- Dividend policy The Board is committed to paying an increasing stream of fully franked dividends to shareholders provided the company has sufficient franking credits. Dividends are paid on a six-monthly basis.
- Capital management policy The Board manages the Company's capital by regularly reviewing the most efficient manner by which the company employs its capital. At the core of this management is the belief that shareholder value should be preserved. Shareholder value will be preserved through the management of the level of distributions to shareholders, share and options issues as well as the use of share buy-backs. These capital management initiatives will be used when deemed appropriate by the Board.
- ▶ **LIC tax concessions** Has the potential to pay LIC Capital Gains out to investors.
- ♦ **DRP available** Yes

WAX's Portfolio (Top 10) Weighting

Code	Portfolio (%)	All Ords (%)
ASB	7.2	0.0
ECX	6.9	na
IPH	5.6	0.0
ENE	5.1	0.1
MTR	5.0	0.1
SIQ	5.0	0.0
RFG	4.9	0.1
ISU	4.8	0.0
CSV	4.6	0.0
CCP	4.6	0.0
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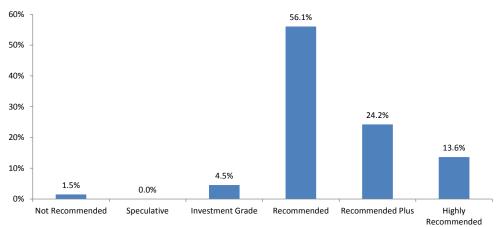
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LMI Type

Listed investment company

Investment Area

Australia

Investment Assets

Listed companies and other

Investment Sectors

Diversified

Key Investment Information	
Price (\$) as at 24 August 2015	0.94
Market cap (\$M)	32.6
Shares on issue (M)	34.7
Shares traded (\$M p.a)	12.2
12-month L/H (\$)	0.905/1.44
Listing date	January 2008
Fees	
Management Fee (%)	1.00
Performance incentives (%)	20.0*
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^{*20%} of the increase in the gross value of the portfolio, subject to a high watermark.

Pre-tax NTA Performance Analytics (including dividends)

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	All Ords Acc	
	1 Yr	3 Yr (p.a.)
Excess Per. (%)	-3.55	-7.76
TE (%)	9.81	8.96

Benchmark returns are purely pre-tax, whereas LIC returns incorporate realised capital gains tax and therefore understate portfolio performance to a degree.

Dividend Yield	%
FY13	8.33ff
FY14	7.46ff
FY15	4.87ff

Major Shareholders	%
GW Holdings Pty Ltd	2.9
Edington Pty Limited	1.3
	As at 30 June 2014

COMPANY OVERVIEW

WAA is a listed investment company that provides exposure to an active trading style with the aim of achieving a positive return in all market conditions and a low correlation to traditional markets. The company was listed in January 2008 and the portfolio is managed by Wilson Asset Management (International) Pty Ltd.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The company has an absolute return focus and therefore aims to generate positive returns in both rising and falling markets. The manager seeks to deliver shareholders a steady stream of fully franked dividends, provide a positive return with low volatility (after fees) and preserve the company's capital in both the short-and long-term.

STYLE AND PROCESS

WAA invests predominantly in ASX-listed securities. Given the objective of the company, the Manager has the ability to short sell securities. The manager uses a 'Market Driven' approach to investing, in which it aims to take advantage of short-term arbitrage and mispricing in the market. The manager participates in IPOs, rights issues, placements, schemes of arrangement and looks for arbitrage opportunities and discount to asset plays, along with other market events viewed as favourably priced. The manager utilises stop-losses on trading positions of 10%. The portfolio is actively managed and therefore portfolio turnover is high.

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

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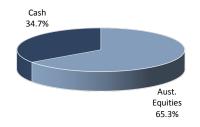
INDEPENDENT INVESTMENT RESEARCH COMMENTS

The absolute return nature of WAA means that the company does not intend to mimic the returns of the market but generate positive returns despite the direction of the market. This is reflected by the high tracking error. The company's strategy incorporates the use of short selling to generate returns. No more than 10% of the portfolio has been 'short' since inception. The portfolio may hold high levels of cash, which will contribute to the outperformance of the portfolio when the market generates negative returns, however may result in the manager not participating in market upturns. One of the objectives of WAA is to generate positive returns in all market conditions. The portfolio did not achieve this over the June quarter, with the portfolio (pre-tax NTA plus dividends) declining 0.8%, although outperformed the market over the quarter, which declined 6.2%. In May, shareholders apporoved the return of capital of 4 cents per share, after the company failed to pay an interim dividend. The company is yet to declare whether or not a final dividend will be paid. In the event a dividend is declared we expect it to be lower than previous dividends. The company was trading at a discount to pre-tax NTA of 0.8% at 30 June 2015. This is the first time the company has traded at a discount since March 2013. Given our low expectations for the final dividend, we expect the discount to widen.

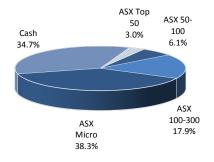
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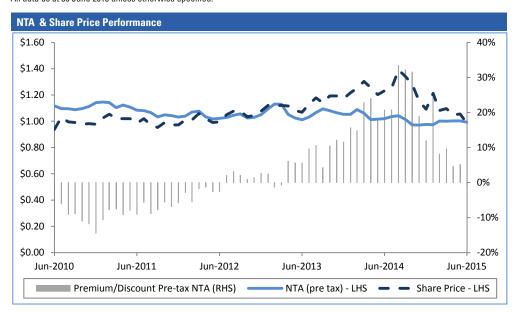
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- LIC tax concessions None
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WAA's Portfolio (Top 10) Weighting

Code	Portfolio (%)	All Ords (%)
HHV	11.0	na
CYA	6.8	na
BAP	5.7	0.0
HVN	5.1	0.3
QAN	4.6	0.4
MYX	4.4	0.0
SGF	3.9	0.0
MMS	3.6	0.1
GTY	3.4	na
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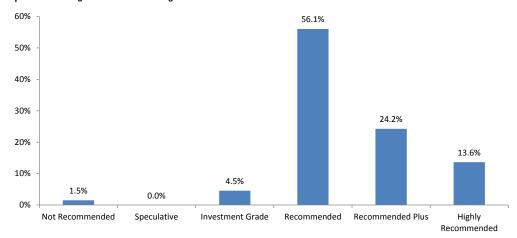
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