# NB GLOBAL CORPORATE INCOME TRUST (ASX: NBI)

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### **MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT – AS OF 30 JUNE 2022**

#### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE & STRATEGY**

- Aims to provide a consistent and stable monthly income stream
- · Invests in high yield bonds issued by large, liquid global companies
- Strong emphasis on capital preservation by focusing on credit quality

#### Market Review and Outlook

Fixed income markets were down again in June. Volatility increased materially across global sovereign and credit markets as investors continued to grapple with slowing real GDP growth, higher inflation and hawkish central banks. The ongoing war between Ukraine and Russia, in addition to being a serious humanitarian crisis, continues to weigh on investor sentiment. Elevated energy prices and the inability to access some inputs for production have begun to also impact eurozone productivity. In Asia, COVID restrictions were removed on the margin in China, though Beijing plans to continue enforcing its zero-tolerance policy.

On the monetary side, the FOMC decided to raise interest rates at its June meeting, increasing the Fed Funds rate by 75 bps to a range of 1.50-1.75%. This is the largest increase in funding rates since 1994. As a consequence of ongoing elevated inflation and mixed economic data, Fed officials continue to signal to the market the need for additional interest rate hikes and that they are possibly considering additional 75 bps rate hikes in July and September. Further, the strategy to begin winding down its balance sheet in June took effect. Chairman Powell has stated that generating a soft landing is still possible, but could prove to be challenging. Fed officials signaled the need to bring the policy rate to a target of 3.00-3.50% in order to regain price stability.

The ECB continues to be under pressure as Eurozone inflation jumped to 8.1% in May on higher energy prices and ongoing supply issues. Inflation is mixed across the region as German inflation held at 7.9%, while Spanish inflation accelerated to 10%, a 37-year high. The ECB is in discussions to raise interest rates by up to 50 bps in its July meeting, in addition to reevaluating its bond purchasing program. Across G7 countries, the U.K. raised interest rates an additional 25 bps in June to a target rate of 1.25%. Canada made similar moves earlier in the month by raising its policy rate by 50 bps to 1.50%. Despite a volatile month for the Japanese yen, the Bank of Japan continues to reinforce its current policy rates.

#### **NBI** Review

As of end of June, NBI returned -7.33% and announced a monthly distribution of 1.012 cents per Unit, which represents an annualised distribution of 4.85% (net of fees and expenses).

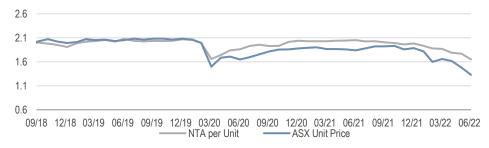
Even with the heightened uncertainty, commodity price swings and central bank tightening, which is resulting in short-term volatility, we believe our bottom-up, fundamental credit research focused on security selection while seeking to avoid credit deterioration and putting only our "best ideas" into portfolios, position us well to take advantage of the increased volatility.

#### PERFORMANCE (NET)2

30 June 2022	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Year	2 Year	3 Year	Since Inception <sup>3</sup>
Total Return (%) 4	-7.33	-11.23	-15.20	-15.34	-1.09	-2.15	0.16

Past Performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Periods less than one year are not annualized.

#### NTA PER UNIT / ASX UNIT PRICE PERFORMANCE



TRUST FACTS **Listing Date** 26 September 2018 Market Cap \$586.62 million **Net Tangible Assets** \$720.38 million (NTA) **ASX Unit Price** \$1.33 NTA per Unit \$1.65 (cum) Target Distribution<sup>1</sup> 4.75% (net) **Distributions** Monthly Management costs 0.85% p.a. **Equity Trustees** Responsible Entity Limited Neuberger Berman Manager

#### ABOUT NEUBERGER BERMAN

 Founded in 1939; a private, independent, employee-owned investment manager

Australia Limited

- US\$417.8 billion in AUM as of June 30, 2022
- Located in 38 cities with 20 portfolio management centers across 25 countries
- The firm has considered ESG in investment processes as far back as the 1940s. For more information, please visit www.nb.com/esq

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#### **PLATFORMS**

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IOOF	Macquarie Wrap	MLC Wrap	MLC Navigator	Netwealth

#### SECTOR ALLOCATION

#### ■ Services, 11.2%

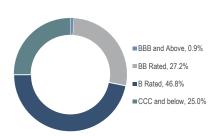
- Telecommunications, 9.2%
- Leisure, 8.1%
- Gas-Distribution, 6.3%
- Media, 6.1%
- Healthcare, 6.1%
- Capital Goods, 4.8%
- Technology & Electronics, 4.6% ■ Energy - Exploration & Production, 4.5%
- Real Estate, 3.9%
- Retail, 3.6%
- Automotive, 3.5%
- Chemicals, 3.3%
- Utility, 3.2%
- Banking, 3.2% ■ Financial Services, 3.1%
- Energy Others, 2.9%
- Insurance, 2.8%
- Metals/Mining Excluding Steel, 2.4%
- Other, 7.1%

### **TOP 10 COUNTRY ALLOCATION**



- United States, 56.6%
- Brazil, 5.5%
- United Kingdom, 4.7%
- Luxembourg, 3.4%
- France, 2.9%
- Germany, 2.7%
- Mexico. 2.0%
- Canada, 1.8%
- Netherlands, 1.8% ■ India. 1.6%
- Others, 17.1%

### CREDIT QUALITY<sup>5</sup>



#### TOTAL RETURNS (NET) (%) 2, 4

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
FY2019	-	-	-	-1.14 <sup>6</sup>	-0.87	-1.74	4.71	1.94	1.09	1.48	-1.20	3.07	7.38
FY2020	-0.70	0.04	0.85	0.33	0.69	1.94	-0.15	-2.05	-16.81	5.58	6.17	1.80	-4.22
FY2021	4.27	1.61	-0.96	0.52	4.80	1.55	-0.15	0.43	0.29	0.88	0.49	0.96	15.54
FY2022	-0.20	0.60	-0.73	-0.55	-1.16	1.91	-2.37	-2.02	-0.13	-3.53	-0.71	-7.33	-15.34

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#### DISTRIBUTIONS(¢/unit)7

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total	Annualised Distribution Rate <sup>8</sup>
FY2019	-	-	-	0.875	0.875	0.875	0.875	0.875	0.875	0.875	0.875	2.469	9.47	6.24%
FY2020	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.971	10.86	5.28%
FY2021	0.696	0.696	0.696	0.696	0.696	0.696	0.696	0.696	0.696	0.696	0.696	1.985	9.64	5.20%
FY2022	0.804	0.804	0.804	0.804	0.804	0.804	0.804	0.804	0.804	0.804	0.804	1.012	9.86	4.85%

TOP 10 ISSUERS	SECTOR	%
Altice France	Telecommunications	1.72%
Frontier Communications Corp	Telecommunications	1.34%
Blackstone CQP Holdco LP	Energy	1.31%
CSC Holdings LLC	Media	1.30%
Assuredpartners Inc	Insurance	1.26%
Commscope Holding Co Inc	Technology & Electronics	1.26%
Carnival Corp	Leisure	1.23%
Calpine Corp	Utility	1.22%
MultiPlan Inc	Healthcare	1.21%
Garda World Security Corp	Services	1.04%

BOND PORTFOLIO SUMMARY	
Number of Holdings	517
Number of Issuers	362
Yield to Maturity (%)9	10.05
Yield to Worst (%) <sup>10</sup>	10.14
Weighted Average Duration (years)	4.36

For FY2022, NBI has set the target distribution amount per Unit, which is paid monthly by NBI, at 4.75% p.a. (net of fees and expenses) on the NTA per Unit as at 1 July 2021 ("Target Distribution"). The Target Distribution is only a target and may not be achieved. Actual distributions will be monitored against the Target Distribution. The Target Distribution will be formally reviewed at least annually (as at the end of each financial year) and any change in Target Distribution will be notified by way of ASX announcement as required. Investors should review the "Risk Factors" set out in Section 8 of NBI's product disclosure statement dated 21 January 2020 ("2020 PDS"). Section 3.3.1 of the 2020 PDS sets out the Manager's views in relation the interest rate environment and impact on target distributions.

Average Credit Quality

- Performance is calculated net of management costs, which includes the Responsible Entity fee, the Management fee, the Administration fee, along with custodian, audit and legal fees and other transactional and operational costs. Investors should review the PDS for full details of NBI, including, in particular, the "Fees and Other Costs" section of the PDS.
- Annualised Performance since 26 September 2018 to latest month end.
- Total Return is calculated based on the pre-distribution month end NTA and assumes all distributions are reinvested.
- Credit quality ratings are based on the Bank of America ("BofA") Merrill Lynch Master High Yield Index composite ratings. The BofA Merrill Lynch composite ratings are updated once a month on the last calendar day of the month based on information available up to and including the third business day prior to the last business day of the month. The BofA Merrill Lynch composite rating algorithm is based on an average of the ratings of three agencies (to the extent rated). Generally the composite is based on an average of Moody's, S&P and Fitch. For holdings that are unrated by the BofA Merrill Lynch Index composite, credit quality ratings are based on S&P's rating. Holdings that are unrated by S&P may be assigned an equivalent rating by the investment manager. No NRSO has been involved with the calculation of credit quality and the ratings of underlying portfolio holdings should not be viewed as a rating of the portfolio itself. Portfolio holdings, underlying ratings of holdings and credit quality composition may change materially over time.
- Calculated from the listing date of 26 September 2018 to 31 October 2018.
- The most recent distribution amount has been announced, and will be paid in the following month.
- FY2019 based on the Initial Public Offer Subscription Price of \$2.00; FY2020 based on the NTA per Unit as at 1 July 2019; FY2021 based on the NTA per Unit as at 1 July 2020; FY2022 based on the NTA per Unit as at 1 July 2021;
- Yield to Maturity The total annualised return anticipated on a bond if it is held until the end of its lifetime. Yield to maturity is considered a long-term bond yield, but is expressed as an annual rate
- Yield to Worst The lowest potential annualised total return that can be received on a bond without the issuer defaulting. This can be different from the yield to maturity because it assumes that the issuer 10. will exercise any option it has to "call" the security at the earliest opportunity (to redeem and repay the principal value to an investor early).

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